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CITY OF THE DALLES
BUDGET COMMITTEE
RECONVENE

May 4, 2022
5:30 p.m.

VIA ZOOM /IN PERSON

In Attendance: Darcy Long, Tim McGlothlin, Rod Runyon, Dan Richardson,
Serena Smith, Joe Barcott, Debi Ferrer

Via Zoom: Scott Randall, Ben Wring

Committee Absent: Taner Elliott

Staff in attendance: Interim City Manager Daniel Hunter, Legal Counsel Jonathan
Kara, City Clerk Izetta Grossman, Finance Director Angie Wilson,
Community Development Director Alice Cannon, Public Works
Director Dave Anderson, Police Chief Tom Worthy, Librarian Jeff
Wavrunek, Police Captain Jamie Carrico

RECONVENE

The meeting was called to order by Chair McGlothlin at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted by City Clerk Grossman; Barcott, Long, Randall, Richardson, Runyon,
Ferrer, Smith, McGlothlin; Randall, Wring via Zoom; Elliott absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair McGlothlin noted a clerical error.

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It was moved by Long and seconded by Barcott to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2022 Budget Committee Meeting. The motion carried 9 to 0: Long, Barcott, Randall, Runyon, Ferrer, Smith, Wring, Richardson, McGlothlin voting in favor, Elliott absent; none opposed.

Committee Discussion – Continued

Chair McGlothlin said he was asked by the Mayor to add an item to Council Contractual Services. He said St. Vincent de Paul requesting half the cost of installing a fence around their facility. The total ask was \$5,500.

He said he talked to Debby Jones of YouthThink, she was not able to attend tonight. He said Jones asked for a total of \$25,000. He said she appreciated being asked.

YouthThink

After much discussion it was decided to support YouthThink at the level requested. It was the consensus of the Committee that supporting the youth in the community was a high priority.

The Committee decided to reduce the amount of the Ft. Dalles 4th Fireworks to \$10,000 and increase YouthThink to \$25,000.

Beautification Committee

City Clerk Grossman reviewed the history of the Art Committee and Beautification Committee. She said Mayor Mays had developed the \$15,000 contract with The Dalles Art Commission to over see and develop art in the City. She said the All Together The Dalles mural was the first art project.

Grossman further explained the Mayor also created the ad-hoc Beautification Committee with \$10,000 for small projects and research of larger projects. Grossman said the Beautification Committee updates the Council as projects develop. She said the Beautification Committee is to make recommendations to the City Council. She said the Tree Plan would be a multi-phase, multi-year project, beginning with a professional arborist to help set guidelines. She asked if Bill Lennox could further explain the “Tree Project”.

Lennox explained it wasn’t just choosing trees. He said the project was for getting the City to look at it from all angles and with other agencies. He said there was a need for Urban Renewal, Public Works, Planning, Main Street to work together in a unified way to avoid overlapping planning.

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It was the consensus of the Budget Committee to remove “tree plan” from the line item leaving more flexibility for the Beautification Committee, and keep the \$20,000; and to not add the Street Furniture request and ask the incoming City Manager to review and make a recommendation to City Council.

St. Vincent de Paul

Kathleen Priest, Chair explained the need to fence off the property due to urban camping and drug deals and use on the property. She said they had secured half of the cost of the fencing. She said the quote from Kiwi Fencing was \$11,951.

Priest requested half of that amount be added to the budget (\$5,975.50).

After some discussion the Committee denied the request and directed Priest to talk to the incoming City Manager Klebes after his first day on May 16, 2022.

Other Uses

The Dalles Main Street

Finance Director Wilson reviewed the request:
Additional \$10,000 for Cruise ships = \$50,000
Additional \$75,000 for operations = \$100,00
New item: Economic Portfolio = \$65,000

It was the consensus of the Committee to have the incoming City Manager review the request and develop thoughts to share with Council.

Chamber of Commerce Marketing Contract

Wilson directed the Committee to BIP 22-005

Richardson asked to discuss Animal Control request and how to come up with the additional \$121,000 requested from the General Fund.

Captain Carrico explained the details of the request:
Current vehicle at end of life
Needs climate control for animal safety
New vehicle properly equipped (specialized truck for animal control) \$93,000
Increase Animal Control officer to full time – additional \$28,000

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Police Department could remove some items to help cover the cost:

Phone system not needed (system in place) - \$14,500

Painting upstairs defer - \$15,000

MRAD paint - \$4,000

Signs - \$8,000

Reduce 1 vehicle/defer for one year - \$44,000

Chief Worthy said the budget as presented was needed. He said he would appreciate if the Committee could find funds outside the Police Department to fund Animal Control request.

Wilson asked to go back to the list. She said she had some ideas to present.

Street Funding

It was decided to leave the \$450,000 transfer from the General Fund.

Wilson said the Marketing Tourism contract with the Chamber of Commerce wasn't in the General Fund, it was funded by Transient Room Tax.

Wilson presented her ideas for reducing within the General Fund for the Animal Control request.

City Manager budget – no computers needed - \$5,100

Legal budget – Contractual Service – Airport litigation complete - \$55,000

She noted if something came up Council could do a supplemental budget

Finance – Forecasting program could wait another year - \$35,000

Judicial – no need for Court Clerk Laptop - \$2,200

Human Resources – Wellness/Employee relations - \$18,000

Economic Development – Business Retention (space holder) - \$20,000

Planning – Pioneer Cemetery maintenance - \$2,000

LOO/Downtown Restroom – remove or could be Capital Improvement - \$200,000

TOTAL: \$337,300

After much discussion regarding the LOO; the suggested placement, other options and need it, was decided to leave the LOO (renamed Downtown restroom) for the new City Manager to research.

It was also the consensus of the Committee to leave the Marketing/Tourism Contract with the Chamber of Commerce as requested.

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The Committee felt strongly that the Animal Control vehicle was important and desired to support the Police Department.

The following changes were agreed upon:

Increase:

YouthThink to \$25,000

CIS liability insurance by \$25,730 (new quote)

Increase Animal Control position to full time \$28,000

Decrease:

Fort Dalles 4th Fireworks to \$10,000

Add:

Animal Control Vehicle and accessories \$93,000

Remove:

City Manager - \$5,100

Legal – \$55,000

Judicial - \$2,200

Human Resources - \$18,000

Economic Development - \$20,000

Planning - \$2,000

Police Department

phones system - \$14,500

MRAP painting - \$ 4,000

Upstairs Painting - \$15,000

Sign on building - \$ 8,000

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APPROVAL OF BUDGET (forward to City Council for Adoption)

It was moved by Runyon and seconded by Richardson to approve the Proposed Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget as amended and forward to City Council for adoption. The motion carried 9 to 0 ; Runyon, Richardson, Smith, Long, Ferrer, Randall, Wring, McGlothlin, Barcott voting in favor; none opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

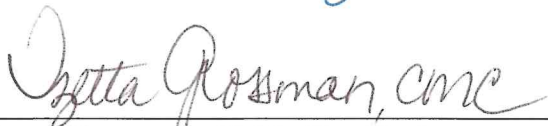
Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Submitted by/
Izetta Grossman, CMC
City Clerk

SIGNED:


Rod Runyon, Secretary

ATTEST:


Izetta Grossman, CMC, City Clerk