#### BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES

### WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

NEWBERG, OREGON

NON QUORUM MEETING

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Chair, Dan Wollam Roger Currier
Melinda Newland Alan Halstead
Bert Pennock Andrew Poole
Robert Weaver Robert Soppe

Others Present:

Duane Cole, City Manager Robert Tardiff, Police Chief Michael Sherman, Fire Chief Terrence Mahr, City Attorney Katherine Tri, Finance Director Leah Griffith, Library Director

Chair Dan Wollam called the non-quorum meeting of the budget committee to order at 7:04 p.m.. He indicated that since it was a non-quorum, no decisions could be made by the committee, but the committee members present should proceed with the information presentation and consideration.

Kathy Tri reviewed the council goals. The goals are attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Tri also reviewed Chehalem Future Focus II. She called the information she presented an active document since it included over 30 areas for actions. The Chehalem Future Focus II efforts were blended with the City Council goals. Work has started in the community on some of these areas. The committee generally discussed the goals and the concepts of providing support from the City where possible.

Mrs. Tri presented information regarding a city wide survey. A number of ideas were generated and placed on flip charts regarding the structure and content of the survey. In general, members felt that specific questions regarding services in which services are rated may not be useful information for the City. Questions like this provide a general perception but many residents are not familiar with the City services. Chief Tardiff indicated that it would be interesting to get the community's impressions of differential police response. Parking, code and sign enforcement were also mentioned as areas where the community may wish to provide input to the City. Committee members discussed the usefulness of some of the questions and possibly changing the questions.

Processes for getting the survey distributed in the community were discussed. The idea of mailing the survey with the water bill with return postage paid was discussed. In addition, telephone surveys were discussed. The City Manager indicated that statistics would need to be generated by computer system since doing this by hand is a long, arduous project. It was mentioned that George Fox College might be contacted with the idea of using this as a student project for the statistics class.

The committee also discussed doing two surveys, one with a post card and the other with a telephone survey. Both surveys would be randomly distributed and

phone calls would be randomly made. The manager mentioned possibly giving people a one dollar rebate on their water and sewer bill if they returned the survey.

The staff indicated that they would return to the committee at their March meeting with a draft survey for consideration and distribution for the month of March.

Kathy Tri presented the Tax Rate levy information to the committee. It was mentioned that the total cost of all three levies \$.95 or \$95 for a \$100,000 home. There was a discussion by the committee regarding the serial levies. There was general support for the levies from the committee, although there was concern expressed regarding the passability of the library levy. Library Director Leah Griffith felt that the library levy would be passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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## 1995 CITY COUNCIL GOALS AND WORK PLAN

- Continue to Address and Respond to Newberg's Transportation Needs
- Continue to Support and Strengthen Newberg's Economy
- Promote the City's Image In Order To Enhance the Trust and Commitment of the Community
- Continue the Commitment To Efficient and Cost Effective Service Through Leadership and Continuous Improvement
- Support the Vision As Developed By the Chehalem Future Focus Process

## 1992 Chehalem Future Focus

Housing

Economy

Land Use

Transportation

Environment

Parks & Recreation

Health & Social Services

Education

**Public Facilities & Services** 

# and Chehalem Future Focus II Top 30

Continue to Address and Respond to Newberg's Transportation Needs

Develop Finance Plan for Bypass
Develop alternate routes to 99W to Yamhill Hwy
Mass Transportation coordination
Walk, bike paths connecting all parts of the community
Develop comprehensive plan for housing development

Continue to Support and Strengthen Newberg's Economy

Revitalize Downtown; develop downtown area for pedestrians & motor traffic

Centrally located City/community gathering place with fountain, seating, community events and a link to business

Expand parking options downtown, traffic flow

Promote tourism through Chehalem Valley

Protect farmland

Develop greenway along river front

Promote the City's Image In Order To Enhance the Trust and Commitment of the Community

Community phone number for distribution community information

 Continue the Commitment To Efficient and Cost Effective Service Through Leadership and Continuous Improvement

> City Hall/police department/ public center Educate the community

Support the Vision As Developed By the Chehalem Future Focus Process

Develop a plan for integrated voice/data/video digital access infrastructure

Increase computer awareness

Community activities focused toward youth, entertainment, recreation, Saturday Market, festivals, town square, annual beautification contest, cultural diversity

Youth Council

More business/church/community/school partnerships relative to vocational education

Parental responsibility law

Organize an arts & cultural council

**Community Arts Center** 

**Festivals** 

24-hour social services

More retirement living facilities