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CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES

AUGUST 22, 2022 5:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN:

The following Councilmember's were present:

*Mayor Clay Morris
MPT Russell Rupertus
Alderman Sherwood Green - Late
Alderwoman Lorraine "Taz" Jones
Alderman David Welch - Absent
Alderman Gil Madray*

The following staff was present:

*Director Brad Heiman
Director Robert Quintero
City Secretary Debbie Nesbitt*

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS

With a quorum of the Council Members present, Mayor Morris called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSSION FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET:

Alderwoman Jones had questions on a couple items in the budget, beautification as to who will make those decisions in how that will be managed and how it will be awarded, also asked about the general fund reserve account for \$103,000.00 and had several questions about hotel motel funds, security, and tourism. Asked if we would consider adding a part-time or full-time employee to help out and help with the city's website and help with tourism and short-term rentals. Asked about maintenance and repairs to the buildings, who does the work, and how is it awarded. Jamaica Beach Police Department, "in my opinion we are not getting our money's worth, where are the security camera's we put in the budget last year and when will the police department put anything on the website. I offered the city my boat slip at the marina to store the cities marine boat."

Alderman Madray talked about the carry-over projects from 2022 and his topics for the budget, reset street signs, posts and replace and add new signs as needed. Talked about phase 4 of the waterline replacement project and wastewater treatment plant costs and the needed repairs, Lift station number 7, beautification, and beach user fee plan. "TML has a grant application bootcamp free to the first 200 Cities with under 150 thousand people that sign up, has to be the mayor or city official to apply". Alderman Green – Said the budget is good with him, it is time to finish it, set a public hearing date, and approve it.

MPT Rupertus agreed with Alderman Green that Debbie went above and beyond to put together a good budget. Two things if any money is left to allocate funds to the park, pickle ball court and just over landscaping and from the Municipal fund, either a P&M or M&R for all lift station maintenance.

ADJOURN: *Mayor Morris called to adjourn the meeting. 5:45 pm.*