

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Bryan Langley, City Manager

DATE: July 5, 2023

SUBJECT: Budget Worksession No 2: Preliminary Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-

2024

The City Council and City staff began the budget development process in March 2023 for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2023-2024. On May 13, 2023, the City Council held Budget Worksession No. 1 during which the following topics were discussed:

• 5-Year financial forecast and key assumptions.

- New budget needs presented by City Departments for the upcoming fiscal year.
- 5-Year capital improvement plan (CIP).
- Preliminary revenue outlook and funding gap.
- City Council

The next Council Budget Worksession No. 2 is scheduled on July 8, 2023 which will focus on the following four discussion areas:

- 1. Key Budget Initiatives and Focus Areas
- 2. Preliminary Proposed Fund Financials for Fiscal Year 2023-2024
- 3. Preliminary Proposed 5-Year Capital Improvements Plan for 7-2028
- Preliminary Recommendations for Supplemental Budget Requests by City Departments for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

For your information, below are highlights from the preliminary proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024:

- 1. Funding for City Council initiatives for economic development:
 - a. Strategic plan for economic development \$150,000
 - b. Downtown Redevelopment Program \$10,500,000
 - c. Downtown Façade Grant \$50,000
 - d. Small Business Retention \$150,000 (\$50,000 Kyle Kash, \$100,000 for permit fee waivers)
- 2. Funding for high priority road improvement projects:
 - a. Goforth road extension (from Casetta Ranch roundabout to Bebee Road) -\$1,128,300
 - b. Heidenreich Lane (from FM 150 to Hays County bridge) \$1,178,800

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- c. Other internal City roadways
- d. and streets \$1,000,000 per year
- 3. Increased funding for community engagement:
 - a. Quarterly information mailers to all residents \$75,000
 - b. Council Chamber equipment upgrades \$30,510
- 4. Funding for rewrite of City's development code \$500,000
- 5. Funding for E.coli & nutrient reduction study \$250,000
- 6. 30 new full-time positions being recommended.
 - a. Police 6
 - b. Parks and Recreation 7
 - c. Public Works 3
 - d. ES&T/Facilities 5
 - e. Finance 3
 - f. Other 6 (City Secretary 1, City Manager 1, Communications 1, Engineering 1, Development Services 1, Library 1)
- 7. Staffing study & implementation for Police
 - a. Staffing study \$100,000
 - b. Implementation \$250,000
- 8. Funding for a cost of service and rate design study for water and wastewater utility systems \$180,000
- 9. Funding for heavy and specialized equipment:
 - a. Emergency management: citywide voice-based siren system \$122,878
 - b. Facilities: heavy equipment \$75,000, security \$65,000, HVAC \$107,500
 - c. Parks & recreation: various heavy equipment \$332,000
 - d. Police: ATV and golf cart \$42,000
 - e. Public Works: various heavy equipment \$1,355,000
- 10. Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2024 \$176,324,855

The following detailed documents for the preliminary proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 are provided as supporting documentation to the meeting agenda for the City Council Budget Worksession No. 2.

Bryan Langley
City Manager

Attachments

cc: Jerry Hendrix, Assistant City Manager

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Amber Schmeits, Assistant City Manager All City Department Directors,