

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL - BUDGET STUDY SESSION - MAY 26, 27 AND 28
MEETING OF MAY 26, 2015**

Council Chamber - City Hall, 425 N. El Dorado Street, Stockton, California

NOTE: City Council Special - Budget Study Session for May 28, 2015 was canceled

1. SPECIAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL (5:01 PM)

Roll Call

Present:

Christina Fugazi

Elbert Holman

Susan Lofthus

Anthony Silva

Michael Tubbs

Dan Wright

Moses Zapien

2. PUBLIC COMMENT*

Ralph Rodriguez - shared personal religious beliefs

3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3.1 15-1724 BUDGET STUDY SESSION

Legislation Text

FY 15-16 Budget Study Session Day 1 PowerPoint

City Manager, Kurt Wilson - opened the Special Budget Study Session with an introduction; reported if the City remains fiscally disciplined the City will be in a good financial position; budget assumptions; strategic priorities; overview of citywide budget and citywide revenues; general fund overview; general fund budget; general fund revenues

Bob Leland, Management Partners Financial Expert - Overview of the Long- Range Financial Plan (L-RFP); role in bankruptcy; forecast issues; economic downturns; property tax; sales tax; utility users tax; future expenditure assumptions; PERS rate forecast; expenditures; fund balance FY 2015-16 proposed budget

Presentation and Discussion - Debt Portfolio

Vanessa Burke, Chief Financial Officer - provided overview of debt; key considerations; debt summary; general fund obligation; Internal Service Funds; 2004 Events Center bonds; 2004 parking garage bonds; enterprise, land-secured; FY 2014-15 updates; FY 2015-16 budget/plans

Councilmember Holman - inquired about Event Center bonds

Mayor Silva - spoke to total debt; paying debt early

Councilmember Zapien - asked staff to speak to changes with rating agencies

Presentation and Discussion - Administrative Services Department

Vanessa Burke, Chief Financial Officer - presented Department description; key considerations; budget summary; department staffing; general fund; FY 2014-15 updates; FY 2015-16 budget/plans

Mayor Silva - spoke to positive department changes; internal controls; more transparent; monthly profit and loss report reflecting the previous month; monitoring the Measure A Funds

Councilmember Wright - spoke to process for evaluating and hiring staff

Presentation and Discussion - Fire Department

Jeff Piechura, Fire Chief - provided department description; key considerations, budget summary; department staffing; general fund; development services; Measure W; FY-2014-15 updates; FY 2015-16 budget/plans

Mayor Silva - asked Chief Piechura to speak to advertisements on the side of the Fire Trucks

Councilmember Holman - inquired about replacement fire truck

Councilmember Tubbs - asked Chief Piechura to speak to diversity outreach

Vice Mayor Fugazi - asked Chief Piechura to speak to new position - sworn/civilian

Councilmember Zapien - asked Chief Piechura about creating a Fire Foundation to fund essential services

Presentation and Discussion - Community Development Department

Scott Carney, Deputy City Manager/Interim Community Development Director - provided department description, department mission statement; key considerations; General Plan; capital improvement program; development impact fee schedule; Climate Action Plan; FEMA Flood Plain Management regulation; support economic and employment oriented development; budget summary; overview of development services; FY 2014-15 updates; FY 2014-15 updates; FY 2015-16 budget/plans

Councilmember Holman - asked Interim Director Carney to speak to community outreach; Town Hall meetings

Vice Mayor Fugazi - requested additional information about online tool for permitting

Councilmember Holman - spoke to water heater permits; inspections; improving

efficiencies

Mayor Silva - requested budget information for reduced permit fees

Councilmember Tubbs - request information on phases of the fee study; timeline for fee study analysis to be completed

Presentation and Discussion - Human Resources Department

DeAnna Solina, Assistant Human Resources Director - provided department description; key considerations; budget summary; department staffing; general fund; FY 2014-15 updates; FY 2015-16 budget/plans; general liability; workers' compensation; FY 2014-15 updates, Risk Management Services; Health Insurance; retirement; FY 2014-15 updates, Benefits Administration; FY 2015-16 budget/plans Benefits Administration

Councilmember Holman - spoke to importance of increasing workforce diversity

Councilmember Tubbs - spoke to increasing workforce diversity

Councilmember Lofthus - requested information about payroll processing

Presentation and Discussion - Information Technology Department

Laurie Montes, Deputy City Manager - provided department description; overview of key considerations; budget summary; department staffing; computer equipment fund; FY 2014-15 updates Computer Equipment; FY 2015-16 budget/plans, Computer Equipment; Radio Equipment Fund; FY 2014-15 updates, Radio Equipment; FY 2015-16 budget/plans, Radio Equipment; Telephone Equipment Fund; FY 2014-15 updates, FY 2015-16 budget/plans, Telephone Equipment

Vice Mayor Fugazi - requested Staff speak to updating payroll software; tracking overtime

2. PUBLIC COMMENT*

Jane Faull - spoke to Victory Park Pool

Ava Reyes - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

Citlalli Sanchez - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

Dave Scheffer - spoke to library funding

William Maxwell - spoke to library funding

Moteczuma Sanchez - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

Tama Brisbane, Executive Director of With Our Words - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

J'Neil Gibson, With Our Words - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

Bridget Childs - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

Sanchez sisters - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

Aaron Edwards - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

Gervis Joshua III - spoke to Fair Oaks Library

3.1 15-1724 BUDGET STUDY SESSION

Presentations Continued

Presentation and Discussion - Community Services Department

John Alita, Community Services Director - provided department description; Library Services; Recreation Services; Swenson and Van Buskirk Golf Courses; key considerations; budget summary; department staffing; Library fund; FY 2014-15 updates, Library, FY 2015-16 budget/plans, Library; Recreation fund; FY 2014-15, Recreation; FY 2015-16 budget/plans, Recreation; FY 2015-16 fee changes; Golf fund

Vice Mayor Fugazi - requested information from Staff about expanded hours; hourly cost of operation

Mayor Silva - requested Staff bring hourly cost of operation back to Council for consideration at following study session

Councilmember Wright - added to Mayor's request range of hourly rate, daily rate; initial startup costs at Fair Oaks Library

Councilmember Holman - breakdown of revenue between City and County; fund balance

Councilmember Zapien - spoke to Stockton San Joaquin County Library Master Plan recommendation that stated the Fair Oaks Library should be replaced; requested replacement budget information to be brought back to Council for consideration at following study session; feasibility of a multi-use center in that area

John Alita, Community Services Director - spoke to revisiting Stribley site; engaging community analysis to add to library services; City or County operation

Councilmember Zapien - spoke to re-envisioning purpose of libraries

Councilmember Tubbs - concurred with Council information requests; libraries provide good services; requested information on how different scenarios play out in the Long-range financial plan; Bookmobile hours and stops; multi-cultural

Suzy Daveluy, Deputy Library Director - provided the Bookmobile schedule

Councilmember Wright - spoke to family oriented programs

Councilmember Holman - supports Councilmember Zapien's request; timeline for working at Stribley; community assessment

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Councilmember Tubbs - spoke to golf subsidy

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City Manager Kurt Wilson - thanked the students that came to speak regarding library services; clarified the funding to re-open Fair Oaks Library; impact to Long-Range Financial Plan; shared options with the Council on how to move forward; asked Council for direction

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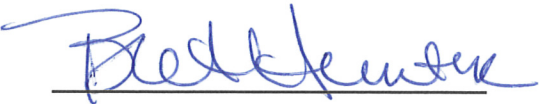
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