

## MINUTES

**Eugene Budget Committee  
Harris Hall, 125 East 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**December 9, 2013  
5:30 p.m.**

**Committee Members Present:** City Council Members George Brown, Mike Clark, Claire Syrett, Chris Pryor (*via conference phone*), Alan Zelenka, George Poling, Betty Taylor, Greg Evans (*via conference phone*); Budget Committee Citizen Members Laura Illig (Chair), Mark Rust (Vice-Chair), Marshall Wilde, Ken Beeson, Robert Clarke, Chelsea Clinton, Will Shaver

**Committee Members Absent:** Budget Committee Citizen Member Jill Fetherstonhaugh

### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Illig called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

### I. AGENDA REVIEW

Chair Illig reviewed the agenda and goals for the meeting with the Budget Committee members.

### II. DISCUSS PROPOSED BUDGET REDUCTION COMBINATIONS

Sue Cutsogeorge, Finance Director, presented a brief PowerPoint presentation on the General Fund Forecast to the Budget Committee. The updated forecast shows that the projected budget gap is now \$3 million, which is less than the gap projected in the spring of \$5.3 million. The main differences are lower PERS costs resulting from legislative changes (\$1.7 million) and higher property tax revenues (\$0.5 million).

#### **Budget Committee Discussion:**

- Budget Committee members asked general questions about the General Fund Forecast and shared their thoughts about the current projection.

### III. NEXT STEPS

Chair Illig provided the Budget Committee with an update on the process that has occurred, and what remains to be accomplished, through the December 9, 2013 meeting. Chair Illig informed the Budget Committee that last week, a sub-committee, composed of Budget Committee Citizen Members Ken Beeson, Chelsea Clinton, Marshall Wilde, and Chair Illig met to evaluate items listed on the FIT report and potential reductions. Items were screened to locate options that were possible to implement for the FY15 budget, and have been provided to the Committee.

### ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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