

MINUTES

**Eugene Budget Committee
Bascom-Tykeson Room, 100 West 10th Avenue
Eugene, Oregon 97401**

**April 29, 2015
6:00 p.m.**

Committee Members Present: City Council Members George Brown, Mike Clark, George Poling, Chris Pryor, Claire Syrett (*via conference phone*), Betty Taylor; Budget Committee Citizen Members Laura Illig (Chair), Ken Beeson (Vice-Chair), Bob Clarke, Chelsea Clinton, Jill Fetherstonhaugh, Will Shaver (*via conference phone*), Joshua Skov, Marty Wilde

Committee Members Absent: City Council Members Greg Evans, Alan Zelenka

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Illig called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chair Illig informed the Budget Committee there will be opportunities for public comment at both upcoming Budget Committee meetings scheduled for May 5 and May 12, 2015. Action on the Proposed FY16 Budget will now occur at the Budget Committee meeting on May 12 instead of the May 5 meeting.

I. CITY MANAGER'S FY16 PROPOSED BUDGET

City Manager Jon Ruiz presented the FY16 Proposed Budget. Twylla Miller, Budget & Analysis Manager (AIC) presented materials on the General Fund revenue and expenditure trends. The FY16 Proposed Budget stabilizes the City of Eugene's finances and provides funding for Council priorities as the City continues to look for efficiencies going forward.

II. DISCUSSION

Members of the Budget Committee provided initial thoughts on the FY16 Proposed Budget.

Citizen Member Wilde requested information on Neighborhood Services and restoring funds for neighborhood outreach efforts and publications, such as newsletters.

Citizen Member Clinton requested information surrounding the rules regarding how many mailings each Neighborhood is required to send out.

Citizen Member Fetherstonhaugh asked the City Manager if a discussion with Parks and Open Space staff has occurred about the feasibility of creating a public/private partnership in the City parks. Such partnerships could include corporate or individual sponsors for park amenities to assist with the parks maintenance backlog.

Chair Illig instructed the Committee members to send any motions they would like to add to the queue for the next meeting to Finance staff. The next two meetings on the Budget Committee's calendar are:

- Public Testimony and Deliberation on the FY16 Proposed Budget
Tuesday, May 5, 2015, 5:30 p.m., Bascom-Tykeson Room, Downtown Library

- Public Testimony, Deliberation and Action on the FY16 Proposed Budget
Tuesday, May 12, 2015, 5:30 p.m., Bascom-Tykeson Room, Downtown Library

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Mumme
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