

## MINUTES

**Eugene Budget Committee  
Bascom-Tykeson Room, 100 West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Eugene, OR 97401**

**May 16, 2018  
5:30 p.m.**

**Committee Members Present:** City Council Members Mike Clark, Greg Evans, Chris Pryor, Emily Semple, Claire Syrett, Betty Taylor, Jennifer Yeh, Alan Zelenka; Budget Committee Citizen Members Jill Fetherstonhaugh, Emily Fiocco, Jon Jasper (Vice Chair), Eliza Kashinsky, Shaun Londahl, Scott Nowicki (Chair), Josh Skov

**Committee Members Absent:** None

**Guest:** Mayor Lucy Vinis

### CALL TO ORDER

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

### I. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. *Ryan Moore* – Spoke to increasing program funding for mental health services and how long-term, reliable funding would allow for an expansion of services.
2. *Benjamin Brubaker* – Works for Whitebird Clinic. Emphasized the cost-savings and positive outcomes provided by CAHOOTS.
3. *Ron Breaden* – Noted his surprise at the salaries of the City’s executives.

### II. MINUTES APPROVAL

The Budget Committee received past meeting minutes for review and approval. The minutes pending approval were for the following meetings: May 24, 2017; March 5, 2018; and May 9, 2018.

MOTION AND VOTE: Mr. Skov, seconded by Councilor Clark, moved to approve the minutes as described above. PASSED.

### III. UNFUNDED NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Twylla Miller, Finance Director (AIC), provided an overview of the 2018 Unfunded Needs Assessment (UNA) which is an inventory of the City’s unfunded needs. She noted that the UNA had been updated from the version included in the FY19 Proposed budget to reflect the passage of Ballot Measure 20-288, a five-year Parks and Recreation operations and maintenance local option levy, and Ballot Measure 20-289, bonds to fund Parks and Recreation facility projects. She summarized the 2018 UNA items, noting various funding considerations as well as potential funding sources. Appendix A of the UNA covers items related to specific areas of focus: Climate Recovery Ordinance (CRO), downtown, parks and recreation funding and public safety and community justice. Appendix B covers items related to services and infrastructure. Ms. Miller concluded by identifying areas of progress from previous versions of the UNA.

Councilor Evans arrived at 5:44 p.m.

Chair Nowicki gave each Committee member three minutes to provide comments and ask questions related to the UNA presentation. He then opened up the queue for further comments and questions.

#### **IV. BREAK**

Chair Nowicki called for the Committee to be in recess for a break at 6:31 p.m.

Mr. Skov left during the break.

Chair Nowicki called the meeting back to order at 6:41 p.m.

#### **V. DOWNTOWN SECURITY AND REVITALIZATION**

Jeff Perry, Facility Management Division Manager, summarized the work completed downtown last summer, progress that was made and the funding approach.

Chris Skinner, Chief of Police, acknowledged the continuing issues downtown. He briefly outlined the plan for Police staffing in the parks and downtown.

Colette Ramirez, Senior Community Programs Manager, detailed current plans for the upcoming summer such as continuing the daily pressure washing, additional redwood planters, another attended restroom and the further integration of social services. Ms. Ramirez noted how the team will move forward using a multi-pronged approach, sustainable solutions and growing partnerships.

Chair Nowicki gave each Committee member three minutes to provide comments and ask questions related to the presentation on downtown security and revitalization. He then opened up the queue for further comments and questions.

Councilor Zelenka left at 7:48 p.m.

#### **VI. BUDGET COMMITTEE DELIBERATION**

Chair Nowicki opened up the floor for general questions or comments. Budget Committee members expressed appreciation for the work on the new Open Budget website and asked some clarifying questions about the process for motions.

#### **VII. NEXT STEPS**

Chair Nowicki reminded Budget Committee members of their next meeting on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> with another opportunity for public comment. The meeting will also include deliberation on the budget and presentations on the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) budget, infrastructure and public safety/community justice. He advised the Committee to direct any additional questions or intended motions to Jamie Garner, Budget and Analysis Manager (AIC).

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenna Boyd  
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