

MINUTES



Joint Meeting of the City of Salem Budget Committee and the Salem Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee

DATE: Wednesday, May 11, 2022
TIME: 6:00 PM
CHAIRPERSON: Virginia Stapleton
PLACE: Virtual

STAFF LIAISON:
Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer
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1. OPENING EXERCISES – Vice-chair person Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Members present: Tigan, Shirack, T.Andersen, W.Andersen, Phillips, Leung (arrived at 6:26PM), Cohen, Vice-chair Brown, Gonzalez, Hoy, Nordyke, Sorce, Milton, Varney, Bennett, Vieyra-Braendle

Members absent: Chair Stapleton

Pledge of Allegiance by: Kelli Blechschmidt, Staff

Vice-chair Brown informed the Committee about the additions agenda submitted to the Committee and several pieces of written testimony.

Motion: Move to approve the additions agenda of May 11, 2022 for the City of Salem Budget Committee and Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee Meeting.

Motion by: Member W. Andersen
Seconded by: Member Varney

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:
Abstentions:

2. PUBLIC TESTIMONY
 - a. Correspondence from Kaethe Mentrum regarding Stortz Avenue NE.
 - b. Correspondence from Mari Anne Gest regarding affordable housing and homelessness.
 - c. Correspondence from Lynn Takata regarding graffiti abatement
 - d. Correspondence (additional) from Kaethe Mentrum regarding Stortz Avenue NE.

Virtual Appearance:

Topic:

Phyllis Abbott-Cavota
Kaethe Mentrum
Jesus Cruz

Speed Humps
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Questions or comments by: Chair Brown, Members W. Andersen, T. Andersen, Drew Cohen, Evan Sorce
Answers or explanations by: Interim City Manager Retherford, City Engineer Brian Martin, Police Chief Womack

Bayard Mentrum
Christine Wagner
Jessie Preis

Speed Humps
Speed Humps
Neighborhood Livability

Questions or comments by: Chair Brown, Sorce

3. MINUTES

- a. Minutes from May 4, 2022 City of Salem and Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee Meeting

Motion: Move to approve the meeting minutes from the May 4, 2022 City of Salem Budget Committee and Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee Meeting.

Motion by: Member T. Andersen
Seconded by: Member W. Andersen

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:
Abstentions: Member Shirack

4. ACTION ITEMS

- a. None.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Staff Report: Summary of Budget Committee Actions Through May 4, 2022
- b. Staff Report: Responses to Committee Member Questions
- c. Staff Report: Additional Responses to Committee Member Questions

Explanation of information items provided to the Budget Committee by Chief Financial Officer Eggleston.

Questions or comments by: None
Answers or explanations by: None

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. None

7. SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

- a. Approve FY 2023 Salem Urban Renewal Agency Ad Valorem Property Taxes
Staff Report: Approval of Ad Valorem Property Taxes – Salem Urban
Renewal Agency

Approve the estimated ad valorem property tax levies derived from the sum of the Division of Taxes and the Special Levy for the Salem Urban Renewal Agency Areas as follows:

	Division of Taxes	Special Levy	Estimated Total
1. Jory Apartments	100%	\$0	\$284,520
2. McGilchrist	100%	\$0	1,257,410
3. Mill Creek	100%	\$0	2,408,340
4. North Gateway	100%	\$0	4,366,140
5. Riverfront Downtown	100%	Remainder	7,878,600
6. South Waterfront	100%	\$0	518,200
7. West Salem	100%	\$0	1,890,860
			\$18,604,070

- Discussion
- Motion to approve Salem Urban Renewal Agency FY 2023 ad valorem property taxes

Questions or comments by: Members W. Andersen, Varney
Answers or explanations by: Chief Financial Officer Josh Eggleston

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the FY 2023 Salem Urban Renewal Agency Ad Valorem Property Taxes.

Motion: Member Bennett
Seconded by: Member Phillips

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:
Abstentions:

- b. Recommend FY 2023 Salem Urban Renewal Agency Budget
Staff Report: Recommend FY 2023 Salem Urban Renewal Agency Budget
- Discussion
 - Motion to approve final recommendation of FY 2023 Salem Urban Renewal Agency Budget

Questions or comments by: None
Answers or explanations by: None

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the FY 2023 Salem Urban Renewal Budget.

Motion: Member W. Andersen
Seconded by: Member Shirack

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:
Abstentions:

- c. Approve FY 2023 City of Salem Ad Valorem Property Taxes
Staff Report: Approval of Ad Valorem Property Taxes – City of Salem
Recommendation:
Approve the ad valorem property taxes for the City of Salem General Fund and the City of Salem General Obligation Debt fund as follows:
1. Approve the City of Salem permanent tax rate of \$5.8315 for general fund operations.
 2. Approve a General Obligation bond debt levy of \$17,686,890
 - Discussion
 - Motion to approve City of Salem FY 2023 ad valorem property taxes

Questions or comments by: None
Answers or explanations by: None

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the City of Salem Ad Valorem property taxes for operations and general obligation debt.

Motion: Member W. Andersen
Seconded by: Member Phillips

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:
Abstentions:

- d. Recommend FY 2023 City of Salem Budget
Staff Report: Recommend FY 2023 City of Salem Budget

Good Governance

- Expenditures: \$123,547,830

Questions or comments by: None
Answers or explanations by: None

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the Good Governance result area budget.

Motion by: Member W. Andersen
Seconded by: Member Shirack

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:
Abstentions:

Natural Environment Stewardship

- Expenditures: \$21,247,610

Questions or comments by: None
Answers or explanations by: None

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the Natural Environmental Stewardship result area budget.

Motion by: Member W. Andersen
Seconded by: Member Phillips

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:
Abstentions:

Safe and Healthy Community

- Expenditures: \$135,228,660

Questions or comments by: Members Bennett, Phillips, Sorce, Varney, Milton, W. Andersen, T. Andersen, Hoy, Nordyke, Shirack, Tigan and Cohen

Answers or explanations by: Police Chief Womack, Financial Officer Josh Eggleston, Interim City Manager Kristin Retherford

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the Safe and Healthy Community result area budget.

Motion by: Member W. Andersen
Seconded by: Member Phillips

Action: Motion passes

Vote:

Aye: Members Tigan, T. Andersen, Shirack, Phillips, Leung, Cohen, Gonzalez, Hoy, W. Andersen, Nordyke, Sorce, Varney, Bennett, Vieyra-Braendle

Nay: Member Milton, Vice-chair Brown

Abstentions:

Safe, Reliable, and Efficient Infrastructure and Capital Improvements

- Expenditures: \$153,861,040 for the result area and \$231,575,930 for capital improvement projects

Questions or comments by: None

Answers or explanations by: None

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the Safe, Reliable and Efficient Infrastructure result area and Capital Improvements budget.

Motion by: Member Shirack

Seconded by: Member W. Andersen

Action: Motion passes

Vote:

Aye: Unanimous

Nay:

Abstentions:

Strong and Diverse Economy

- Expenditures: \$13,004,570

Questions or comments by: None

Answers or explanations by: None

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the Strong and Diverse Economy result area budget.

Motion by: Member W. Andersen

Seconded by: Member Phillips

Action: Motion passes

Vote:

Aye: Unanimous

Nay:

Abstentions:

Welcoming and Livable Community

- Expenditures: \$58,491,180

Questions or comments by: Members Sorce, Phillips, Bennett, Tigan and Vice-Chair Brown
 Answers or explanations by: Chief Financial Officer Josh Eggleston, Community Development Director Norman Wright

Motion: Move to approve staff recommendation for the Welcoming and Livable Community result area budget.

Motion by: Member W. Andersen
 Seconded by: Member Sorce

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:
Abstentions:

8. PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR FUTURE BUDGET ISSUES

The Budget Committee has set aside time for public comment to address items not on the agenda. Each individual testifying will be limited to no more than three (3) minutes.
 a. None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Blechschmidt
 Minutes Recorder

The next meetings related to the FY 2023 budget will occur with the City Council as follows:

- Monday, June 13, 2022, FY 2023 Budget and State Revenue Sharing Public Hearing
- Monday, June 27, 2022, FY 2023 Budget and CIP Adoption

Budget staff is available for your convenience to discuss the budget document and process. Please call the staff listed above or 503-588-6231 if you have any questions.

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