

MINUTES



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

DATE: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 STAFF LIAISON:
TIME: 6:00 PM Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer
CHAIRPERSON: Dr. Irvin Brown 503-588-6130
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PLACE: Hybrid Kali Leinenbach,
Chambers & YouTube 503-588-6231
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1. OPENING EXERCISES – Chairperson Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Members present: Beleiciks, Cohen, Allen, Manvel, Vieyra-Braendle, Stapleton, Phillips, Gonzalez, Gwyn, J. Hoy, Nordyke, Varney, C. Hoy, Dixon, Curtis, Gier, Vice-chair Nishioka, Chair Brown.

Pledge of Allegiance by: All

Chair Brown informed the Committee about the additions agenda submitted which included nine pieces of written testimony and one staff report.

Motion: Move to approve the additions agenda of May 1, 2024 for the City of Salem Budget Committee and Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee Meeting.

Motion by: Vice-chair Nishioka
Seconded by: Member Varney

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

2. PUBLIC TESTIMONY
 - a. Tim Cowan regarding the Salem Public Library
 - b. Megan Adams from the Willamette Practical Law Program regarding the CIP
 - c. Rachael Atchison, Ward 3, General Fund
 - d. AJ Foscoli, Ward 4, SEDCOR General Fund line item
 - e. Lynn Takata, Ward 1, Graffiti
 - f. Lisa Taylor, Ward 2, various community services
 - g. Jane Titchenal, Ward 7, regarding SEDCOR General Fund line item

Member Gwyn left at 6:19PM and returned at 6:29PM.

3. MINUTES

- a. Minutes from April 24, 2024 City of Salem and Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee Meeting

Motion: Move to approve the meeting minutes from the April 24, 2024 City of Salem Budget Committee and Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee.

Motion by: Vice-chair Nishioka
Seconded by: Member Stapleton*

Action: Motion passes

Vote:

Aye: Unanimous

Nay:

Abstentions:

*Member Phillips initially seconded the motion, but when it was restated by Vice-chair Nishioka, it was seconded by Member Stapleton.

Questions or comments by: Member Cohen

Answers or comments by: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer

4. ACTION ITEMS

- a. None

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Staff Report: Summary of Budget Committee Actions Through April 24, 2024
b. Staff Report: Responses to Committee Member Questions
c. Staff Report: Additional Responses to Committee Member Questions

Questions or comments by: Members Nordyke, Chair Brown, Members Stapleton, Cohen, Phillips, J.Hoy, Manvel, Curtis

Answers or comments by: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer and Scott Archer, Deputy City Manager

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. State Revenue Sharing Funds

- Staff Report: Public Hearing on the Proposed Uses of State Revenue Sharing Funds, Senior Fiscal Analyst Ryan Zink.
- Chair Brown opened the Public Hearing.
- No member of the public testified.
- Chair Brown closed the Public Hearing.

Motion: Move to recommend the proposed uses of State Revenue Sharing funds.

Motion by: Member Stapleton
Seconded by: Vice-chair Nishioka

Action: Motion passes

Vote:

Aye: Beleiciks, Cohen, Allen, Vieyra-Braendle, Stapleton, Phillips, Gonzalez, Gwyn, J. Hoy, Nordyke, Varney, C. Hoy, Dixon, Curtis, Gier, Vice-chair Nishioka, Chair Brown

Nay: Manvel

Abstentions:

Questions or comments by: Members Manvel, Cohen, C. Hoy, Phillips, Chair Brown, Members Stapleton, Varney and Vice-chair Nishioka

Answers or comments by: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer, Trevor Womack, Police Chief

Member J. Hoy left at 7:23PM and returned at 7:28PM

7. SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

a. Result Area Budget Review – Good Governance, pages 55-88

- Presentation and overview Chief Financial Officer, Josh Eggleston

Questions or comments by: Members Manvel, Curtis, Cohen, Dixon, Phillips

Answers or comments by: Krishna Namburi, Deputy City Manager, Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer, Courtney Knox-Busch, Strategic Initiatives Manager, Scott Archer, Deputy City Manager

b. Result Area Budget Review – Safe and Healthy Community, pages 107 – 134

- Presentation and overview Budget Manager Leinenbach

Motion: Restore the Graffiti Abatement position to the budget utilizing working capital from the General Fund to pay for it.

Motion by: Member C. Hoy

Seconded by: Member Phillips

Questions or comments by: Member C. Hoy, Chair Brown, Members J. Gonzalez, J. Hoy, Dixon, Manvel, Allen, Phillips, Nordyke, Stapleton, Gier, J. Hoy, Vieyra-Braendle, Curtis

Answers and explanations by: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer, Trevor Womack, Police Chief, Scott Archer, Deputy City Manager, Keith Stahley, City Manager

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Unanimous
Nay:

Questions or comments by: Chair Brown, Members C. Hoy, Vieyra-Braendle, Phillips, Manvel, Cohen, Nordyke, Allen

Answers and explanations by: Trevor Womack, Police Chief, Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer, Mike Niblock, Fire Chief

Chair Brown called a recess of the meeting between 8:36PM and 8:45PM

c. Discussion and Deliberation of tabled motions from the April 24, 2024 Budget Committee Meeting

Tabled Motion #1:

- Move to direct staff to move up to \$75,000 from the Business Retention and Recruitment / SEDCOR line item to our Parks Department to fund Movies in the Parks, kids relays and other community events.

Questions or comments by: Members Vieyra-Braendle, Allen, Phillips

Answers and explanations by: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer

Motion: Move to withdraw this motion for the time being

Motion by: Member Stapleton
Seconded by: Member Phillips

Questions or comments by: Member Stapleton

Answers and explanations by: None

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

Tabled Motion #2:

- Refunding of the JC Relays, movies in the park and concerts (was an amendment to Member C. Hoy's motion, "I move that the proposed Library reductions be restored to the FY 2025 budget and fund with a transfer from the Cultural and Tourism Fund working capital".)

Questions or comments by: Member C.Hoy, Stapleton, Beleiciks, Dixon, Varney, Vice-chair Nishioka, Phillips, J. Hoy, Curtis, Cohen, Nordyke, Chair Brown, Gwyn, Manvel, Allen

Answers and explanations by: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer, Dan Atchison, City Attorney, Chris Neider, Program Manager III, Scott Archer, Deputy City Manager

Motion: I move we table this motion [(refunding of the JC Relays, movies in the park and concerts) which was an amendment to Member C. Hoy’s motion, “I move that the proposed Library reductions be restored to the FY 2025 budget and fund with a transfer from the Cultural and Tourism Fund working capital”)] to a future meeting.

Motion by: Member C. Hoy
Seconded by: Member Nordyke

Questions or comments by: Member Curtis, Chair Brown, Members Varney, Vice-chair Nishioka, Beleiciks, Manvel, Allen, Dixon, Stapleton
Answers and explanations by: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer, Scott Archer, Deputy City Manager, Keith Stahley, City Manager

Motion to extend the meeting: I move that we extend the meeting until 10:25PM.

Motion by: Member Stapleton
Seconded by: Vice-chair Nishioka

Questions or comments by: Chair Brown

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Beleiciks, Cohen, Allen, Manvel, Vieyra-Braendle, Stapleton, Phillips, Gonzalez, J. Hoy, Varney, Dixon, Curtis, Gier, Vice-chair Nishioka, Chair Brown.
Nay: Nordyke, Gwyn and C. Hoy
Abstentions:

Questions or comments by: Member Stapleton, Phillips

Returned to tabled motion #2

Action: Motion passes
Vote:
Aye: Beleiciks, Nordyke, Gwyn, C. Hoy, Allen, Manvel, Vieyra-Braendle, Stapleton, Phillips, Gonzalez, J. Hoy, Varney, Dixon, Curtis, Gier, Vice-chair Nishioka, Chair Brown.
Nay: Cohen
Abstentions:

- d. Committee Discussion
 - a. None

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. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ON FUTURE INFORMATION ITEMS

Questions or comments by: Member Beleiciks, Dixon, Chair Brown
Answers and explanations by: Josh Eggleston, Chief Financial Officer

Motion: Move to adjourn

Motion by: Member Nordyke
Seconded by: Member Gwyn

Questions or comments by: Chair Brown

Action: Motion passes

Vote:

Aye: Unanimous

Nay:

Abstentions:

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Blechschmidt
Minutes Recorder

The next Budget Committee meeting will be held Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 6:00 pm. The following budgets are to be scheduled to be reviewed and actions to be taken:

- *Approval of Tax Levy*
- *Recommendation of the Proposed FY 2025 City of Salem Budget and Proposed FY 2025 Urban Renewal Agency Budget*

Budget staff is available for your convenience to discuss the budget document and process. Please call the staff listed above or 503-588-6040 if you have any questions.

The City of Salem budget information can be accessed on the internet at: www.cityofsalem.net/budget

NOTE: Disability-related accommodations, including auxiliary aids or services, in order to participate in this meeting, are available upon request. Sign language and Spanish interpreters are available. Languages other than English are also available upon request. To request such an accommodation or interpretation, contact Shengnan Thomas, (503) 588-6040 or finance@cityofsalem.net at least 2 business days before this meeting. TTD/TTY telephone (503) 588-6439 is also available 24/7.

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