CITY OF CLEVELAND

CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING 2020/2021 BUDGET HEARING JUNE 8, 2020 MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Called City Council Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Cleveland was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Stanley at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Nan Bowen, Kevin Stanley, and Bradley Greene.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor Pro Tem and Council voted to approve the agenda for the June 8, 2020 Called City Council Meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to hold a second public hearing and adopt the 2020/2021 budget.

$\frac{2020/2021\ BUDGET\ HEARING-2^{nd}\ CONSIDERATION,\ DISCUSSION,\ AND\ POSSIBLE\ ADOPTION$

Tom O'Bryant reiterated the same budgets points reviewed at the June 1, 2020 public hearing.

General Fund Revenue

FY20 FY21 % Change \$3,778,251 \$3,745,429 -.095

- Traditional revenues decrease, user related revenues, such as electricity, are increasing
- Using almost \$16,000 less fund reserve in proposed budget than FY20

Hotel/Motel Fund Revenue

FY20 FY21 % Change \$19,500 \$19,500 0

• Anticipated revenue to remain flat

Confiscated Cash Fund Revenue (Police)

FY20 FY21 % Change \$10,005 \$10,005 0

Amount estimated to remain the same

Water and Sewer Fund Revenue

FY20 FY21 % Change \$2,490,875 \$2,615,310 5.00

- Larger customers expected to come on-line assisted living facility, restaurants
- Adjustment increase in utility rates to help pay for the wastewater plant upgrade and line upgrades.

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<u>2020/2021 BUDGET HEARING – 2nd CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION – continued</u>

General Fund Expenditures

- General Government (Administration, City Shop, Municipal Court)
- Public Safety (Police and Fire Departments)
- Street Department
- Sanitation
- Culture and Recreation

General Government - Administration

FY20 FY21 % Change \$920,595 \$930,505 1.08

- Cost of living adjustment
- Increase in worker's compensation, liability insurance and computer software support
- Reduction in expenditures in a number of operational line items

General Government – City Shop

FY20 FY21 % Change \$80,310 \$84,830 5.63

- Shift in personnel from street department to shop
- Increase in cost of supplies

General Government - Municipal Court

FY20 FY21 % Change \$139,475 \$143,640 2.99

- Cost of living adjustment
- New computer equipment needed

General Government - Public Safety - Police

FY20 FY21 % Change \$1,619,726 \$1,581,469 -2.36

- Large reduction in computer software support and capital outlay. Last budget reflected a software purchase that has been paid for and is not needed in proposed budget.
- New computer hardware equipment needed approximately 12 computers
- Former building rent absorbed by utilities, maintenance, and repairs at the Oak Springs building.

General Government - Public Safety - Fire

FY20 FY21 % Change \$458,870 \$470,405 2.51

- Increase in assigned staff hours due to call volume
- New computer hardware equipment needed
- Reduction in supplies, equipment, and capital outlay

General Government – Street Department

FY20 FY21 % Change \$197,620 \$184,350 -4.18

- Reduction in personnel costs
- Reduction is supplies and equipment

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2020/2021 BUDGET HEARING – 2nd CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE

ADOPTION - continued

General Government - Sanitation Department

FY20 FY21 % Change \$319,855 \$311,230 -2.70

- Reduction in commercial pick up services creates a reduction in estimated tipping fees
- Reduction in supplies, repairs, equipment, and capital outlay

General Government - Culture and Recreation

FY20 FY21 % Change \$197,620 \$184,350 -4.18

• Reduction in supplies, repairs, equipment, and contingency

Hotel/Motel

FY20 FY21 % Change \$19,500 \$19,500 0

- Expenses, like the revenues, are expected to be flat
- Approximately \$10,974 allowed to transfer to the general fund

Confiscated Fund – (Police Equipment)

FY20 FY21 % Change \$10,005 \$10,005 0

- Expenses, like revenues, is projected to be flat
- Subject to collection of revenue

Water Department

FY20 FY21 % Change \$1,540,535 \$1,613,405 4.73

- Cost of living adjustment
- Increase in overtime due to emergency calls on waterline breaks city crews continue to replace aging lines
- Increase in cost of water purchases from White County Water Authority

Sewer (Waste Water) Department

FY20 FY21 % Change \$950,340 \$1,001,905 5.43

- Cost of living adjustment
- Increase in costs of supplies for plant treatment
- Increase in employee training (certifications)
- Wastewater plant loan from GEFA
- City staff is doing a good job meeting environmental standards

SPLOST

FY20 FY21 % Change \$700,000 0

- Anticipated reduction in the last few months of SPLOST 4 Revenue due to COVID-19 impact on consumer purchases
- SPLOST \$ ends in October 2020 and SPLOST 5 begins in November 2020. City percentage of SPLOST increases from 13% to 20%

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2020/2021 BUDGET HEARING – 1ST CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION – continued

The Mayor and City Council will consider the adoption of the summarized numbers of each department as follows:

General Fund Revenues	\$3,745,429
General Fund Expenditures	
General Government (Admin, Shop, Court)	\$1,158,975
Public Safety (Police and Fire)	\$2,051,874
Streets	\$184,350
Sanitation	\$311,230
Cultural and Recreation	\$39,000
Hotel/Motel Revenues	\$19,500.01
Hotel/Motel Expenditures	\$19,500.01
Confiscated Cash Fund Revenues (Police equipment)	\$10,005
Confiscated Cash Fund Expenditures (Police equipment)	\$10,005
Water/Sewer Revenues	\$2,615,310
Water Expenditures	\$1,613,405
Sewer Expenditures	\$1,001,905

Summary totals

FY20	FY21	% Change
\$6,298,631	\$6,390,244	1.45

Mayor Pro Tem Stanley asked if anyone in attendance had any comments on the budget.

Rush Mauney, Cleveland resident and former City Council Member, asked what percentage the city is purchasing from the White County Water Authority. Mr. O'Bryant answered it varies from month to month and added this time last year, the city was purchasing a third of its water from the authority. City staff made adjustments to the Clint Street well to increase volume. Production has increased by ten percent and the water production is at seventy-five percent. A new well will reduce the city's dependency on the water authority. In the current social and business conditions, the city is not selling as much water due to businesses and schools being closed.

Mr. Mauney asked if the city council is approving the White County Water Authority budget every year. Mr. O'Bryant answered yes.

Mayor Pro Tem Stanley expressed his appreciation and how proud he is of the city council members from the past 10, 15, 20, 30 years. Mayor Pro Tem Stanley feels the city has been careful with the city's money. Mayor Pro Tem Stanley informed the county came to the city about a water permit due to not having the knowledge or expertise to obtain a permit. The city council knew the advantages of having a water system expand throughout the county. The city council knew it would create new businesses, new developments for housing and provide opportunities needed in the county.

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Mayor Pro Tem Stanley explained the city council had the foresight to allow the newly developed water authority to have the city's surface water permit to start expanding lines. Mayor Pro Tem Stanley finished his point by adding the city council of today and of the past knows the importance of developing and improving infrastructure. Mayor Pro Tem Stanley expressed his hope of the now sitting council and future council will continue with the development and growth of Cleveland.

On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Nan Bowen, and carried unanimously, the Mayor Pro Tem and Council voted to approve the second consideration and adopt the 2020/2021 Budget Hearing.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Nan Bowen, seconded by Bradley Greene, and carried unanimously, the Mayor Pro Tem and Council voted to adjourn the Called Council Meeting of June 8, 2020 at 6:17 p.m.

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Office Vacant/open Seat Nan Bowen, VACANT	Mayor Council Member Ward No. 1	Kevin Stanley, Bradley Greene,	Council Member Ward No. 3 Mayor Pro Tem Council Member Ward No. 4
Office Vacant/open Seat ATTEST: Connie Tracas,	Council Member Ward No. 2 Council Member Ward No. 2 City Clerk		