

THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LIBERAL CITY COMMISSION

July 25, 2012

The special meeting of the Liberal City Commission was held at 5:30 p.m. at the Mid-America Air Museum located at 2000 West Second Street on Wednesday, July 25, 2012.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Tim Long, Vice-Mayor Joe Denoyer, Janet Willimon, Dave Harrison and Larry Koochel.

City Staff Present: City Manager Mark Hall, Public Works Director, Finance Director Chris Ford, Human Resources Director Sheena Schmutz, Accounting Supervisor Sally Yates and Assistant City Attorney Christy Larson.

Mayor Long declared the meeting called to order.

2013 Budget.

City Manager Hall presented the Commission with a revised 2013 Budget, as updated by Staff after the budget work session that was held on Saturday, July 21, 2012 at the Mid-America Air Museum.

Included in Mr. Hall's presentation were two options, as follows:

- A. Option 1 included either reducing authorized City staffing level by 30 City employees or increasing the City's mill levy by 8.224 mills.
- B. Option 2 included the following:
 - 1. Reducing authorized City staffing level by 11 City employees with no increase to the City mill levy.
 - 2. Reimbursing \$601,741 of expenses originally paid by the General Fund from the 1% City Sales Tax.
 - a. \$500,000 - Western Avenue Project (2010)
 - b. \$101,741 - Water Park Construction Project Expenses (2008-2012)
 - 3. Funding \$572,788.72 remaining Western Avenue Project Liability from the 1% City Sales Tax.
 - 4. Reallocating Salaries and Benefits for 3 Police Officers from the General Fund to the 1% City Sales Tax – Crime Prevention for the Budget Year 2013, at a budget amount of \$170,000.

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Commissioner Harrison moved to direct staff to utilize Option 2 as presented and to establish a City vehicle allowance program, effective January 1, 2013. Vice-Mayor Denoyer seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5 to 0.

Tim Long, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mark D. Hall, City Manager