

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
AUGUST 1, 2016**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, August 1, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Laura Wassmer called the meeting to order and roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Ashley Weaver, Jori Nelson, Serena Schermoly, Steve Noll, Eric Mikkelson, Andrew Wang, Sheila Myers, Dan Runion, Courtney McFadden, Ted Odell and Terrence Gallagher.

Staff present was: Captain Wes Lovett; Melissa Prenger, Public Works Project Manager; Katie Logan, City Attorney; Wes Jordan, Assistant City Administrator; Lisa Santa Maria, Finance Director; Alley Williams, Assistant to the City Administrator and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS & SCOUTS

No scouts or students were in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING - 2017 Budget

Adoption of the 2017 Budget for the City of Prairie Village

Finance Director Lisa Santa Maria reviewed the process followed in the preparation of the City's 2017 budget. The proposed budget of \$32,464,177 reflects the following goals: 1) maintain high quality services and programs, 2) maintain quality

streets, parks and infrastructure, 3) continue strong financial condition, 4) maintain AAA bond rating, 5) increase financial transparency and 6) Increase citizen participation in budget issues.

The 2017 budget is balanced with the existing mill levy rate of 19.500 and maintains the same level of services with enhancements to 1) Capital Infrastructure Program to \$4.1 million; 2) Increased Police Pension Plan funding by \$100,000, a 22% increase; 3) Included a salary/compensation study, budgeted at \$20,000; and 4) Includes additional Full Time Building Inspector. There is an overall increase in the 2017 General Fund department expenditure budgets of 3.28%.

The stormwater utility fee rate remains at the current rate of \$0.040/square foot of impervious area and the annual household assessment for Solid Waste Management services remains the same at \$174.00. A 2.3% increase for property & casualty Insurance and a 21.4% increase for worker's compensation insurance. Fuel costs decreased from \$3.25 per gallon to \$3.00 per gallon. The employee merit pool decreased from 3.5% to 3.25%. KPERS increased by 11.7% and Health Insurance costs increased by 10%. The 2017 budget includes an increase of 12.6% for utilities - street lights and traffic signals (174,000). The anticipated ending fund balance is 25% with a general contingency fund of \$500,000.

The 2017 budget includes a transfer of \$4.1 million from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Program (CIP). The total CIP budget for 2017 is \$7,535,000.

Ms. Santa Maria reviewed a chart reflecting the taxes paid by the average Prairie Village household in 2016 of \$550 on an assessed valuation of \$245,098 (11.5%).

A comparison of the city's mil levy with other Johnson County cities was also presented. The 2017 budget needs to be approved and submitted to the County Clerk by August 25th.

Lisa Santa Maria noted that the budget will probably need to be amended later in the year for the increased solid waste costs pending the action taken by the council and subsequent negotiation.

Mayor Wassmer opened the public hearing for questions from Council members and comments from the public.

Eric Mikkelson asked where the additional funds for the increased solid waste services costs would come from. Mrs. Santa Maria replied these costs would be reflected in a special assessment increase for residents. The mill levy would not be impacted.

Dan Runion questioned the breakdown per month for the solid waste costs per resident. Mrs. Santa Maria advised the solid waste account included other costs such as staff costs as well as the service contract amount. She noted the budgeted amount proposed is the maximum amount with \$1.4M or \$1.5M being a more realistic value.

Mayor Wassmer opened the public hearing to comments from those present. With no one wishing to speak on the proposed budget, the public hearing was closed at 7:45 p.m.

Steve Noll moved the City Council adopt the 2017 budget as certified in the amount of \$32,464,177 with ad valorem tax in the amount of \$6,331,169. The motion was seconded by Eric Mikkelson and passed unanimously.

Steve Noll moved the City Council approve Resolution 2016-04 regarding the financing of the annual budget for 2017. The motion was seconded by Eric Mikkelson and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one addressed the City Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ted Odell noted a correction to the City Council minutes of July 18th noting that on the vote on the Charter Ordinance he had abstained. The City Clerk noted the correction would be made.

Ted Odell moved the approval of the Consent Agenda items for August 1, 2016 with the correction to item #1:

1. Approve the regular City Council meeting minutes of July 18, 2016 as corrected
2. Approve Claims Ordinance 2944

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting “aye”: Weaver, Nelson, Schermoly, Noll, Mikkelson, Wang, Myers, Runion, McFadden, Odell and Gallagher.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wassmer urged everyone to vote in tomorrow's primary election and introduced and welcomed Alley Williams. Alley, a Kansas City area native and KU graduate, is the new Assistant to the City Administrator.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Safety

- Captain Lovett announced the upcoming Fro-Yo with a Cop on Saturday, August 13th from 7 pm to 9 pm at Peachwave at 9424 Mission Road.

Public Works

- Melissa Prenger reviewed the proposed Tomahawk Trail site map. The proposed trail will be bid at the end of the year with construction in March/April of 2017. The plans have been reviewed by First Washington and no parking spaces will be lost. Public Information meetings will be held and the tenants are also encouraged to attend.

Ashley Weaver asked how long construction would take and if it could be done earlier. Ms. Prenger replied she estimated construction to take six to eight weeks. She noted the timing of the project was set to minimize the impact to holiday shopping at the PV Shops.

Steve Noll asked if the bridges would be prefabricated. Ms. Prenger responded they would be similar to those in city parks.

- Public Works field crews have been working on pothole repair with the new “hot box patches” and are injecting ash trees for EAB treatment.
- Mission Road north of 75th Street has been paved and will be stripped this week. Sod will be placed in September. There will be a few daytime closures after school has started for the placement of benches along the roadway.
- Work has begun on 82nd Terrace and Street. 82nd Terrace will be closed during the day.

Eric Mikkelson stated that he had received several positive comments on the recent improvements to Windsor Park with the installation of the new nature play area. Melissa Prenger noted that new playground equipment will also be installed this fall.

Administration

- Lisa Santa Maria distributed the second quarter financial statement to the Council and noted that at mid-year revenues are at 57.9% of projections with expenditures at 53.1% of appropriations.
- Wes Jordan noted the new building standards (Phase I) went into place July 12th. There have not been any comments from the community. Council had discussed considering design standards as Phase II. Mr. Jordan recommended the City wait to see the impact of the building standards before beginning work on design standards which will be a major undertaking for staff. The Council agreed.

OLD BUSINESS

Teen Council

Serena Schermoly reported that area schools have been e-mailed regarding the City's 2016-2017 Teen Council Program. She and Jori Nelson met with the Shawnee

Mission East principal. Mrs. Schermoly also met with Overland Park's Teen Council Coordinator. One of the ideas discussed was having a joint leadership conference with teen councils from Prairie Village, Olathe and Overland Park. She has also contacted UMKC regarding participation in the program.

Breed Specific Legislation

Eric Mikkelson noted that this would be discussed at the next meeting and that if action were to be taken it would only address Section 2-106 "Pit Bull Dog - Keeping Prohibited". He noted at previous meetings references were made to hybrid wolves and they are not included in the Pit Bull Section.

NEW BUSINESS

Live Streaming of Council Meetings

Serena Schermoly asked that live streaming of City Council meetings be discussed at a future meeting. She noted that this process is relatively inexpensive and easy to implement with the record being stored in the Cloud. It would be available immediately after the meeting and provide more transparency to residents.

Ted Odell stated that he would like to have clear cost figures and the impact on staff time. Terrence Gallagher noted that this had been considered previously by the Communications Committee and he would be glad to share that information. Wes Jordan advised that Johnson County IT be involved in this process.

Mayor Wassmer asked Mrs. Schermoly and Mr. Gallagher to get their information to staff to review and prepare it for future discussion at a committee meeting. Dan Runion asked for the link to view what was recorded this evening.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings scheduled for the next two weeks:

Planning Commission	08/02/2016	7:00 p.m.
Tree Board	08/02/2016	6:00 p.m.
JazzFest Committee	08/11/2016	5:30 p.m.
Council Committee of the Whole	08/15/2016	6:00 p.m.
City Council	08/15/2016	7:30 p.m.

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The Prairie Village Arts Council is pleased to present the works of Mary Ann Coonrod and Cookie Cave in the R.G. Endres Gallery during the month of August. The artist reception will be at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, August 12, 2016.

The pool will begin reduced hours on Monday, August 8th opening at 4:30 p.m. on weekdays.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy
City Clerk