

CITY OF MUSCATINE  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS  
1987/88 CITY BUDGET REVIEW  
MINUTES

February 16, 1987

9:00 a.m.

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Mayor Waltman; Councilmembers, York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Powell and Kemp

ALSO PRESENT: Soren Wolff, City Administrator; Deb Neels, Director of Finance; Fire Chief, Jim Pumfrey; Police Chief, Jerry Tesmond; Kevin Whittaker, Director of Planning and Community Development; Jack Paetz, Housing Administrator and Steve Boka, Building and Zoning Administrator

The City Administrator provided a general overview on the proposed 1987/88 Budget as it related to personnel changes, service cuts, improved and new services and capital outlay. Council was informed of the personnel cost impact as the budget which included a 2% wage increase and the major increases in fringe benefits such as health, worker's compensation and retirement programs. An overview was also provided on the entire City insurance program.

The Council then reviewed the following general fund budgets in conjunction with the respective department heads:

- Fire Department
- Civil Defense
- Public Safety Communications
- Police Department
- Animal Control
- Community Development
- Building & Zoning

The City's public housing projects were also reviewed. Council reviewed the following general administrative budgets; City Council, City Administrator; Legal Services; and Personnel.

February 17, 1987

4:00 p.m.

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Mayor Waltman, Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Powell and Kemp

ALSO PRESENT: Soren Wolff, City Administrator; Deb Neels, Finance Director; Randy Hill, Acting Public Works Director; Ray Childs, City Engineer and Jerry DeVore, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor

The City Council reviewed the following general fund operating budgets:

Public Works Administration

Engineering

Roadway Maintenance

Snow and Ice Control

Street Cleaning

Traffic Control

Building and Grounds

The Council also reviewed the proposed Capital Improvements Program for Fiscal Year 1988 and an extension review was provided on Street Improvement Projects scheduled for the next five years along with a review of the improvements which have been made in the past five years.

February 18, 1987

4:00 p.m.

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Mayor Waltman; Councilmembers, York, Harder, Sayles (Councilmember Sayles had to leave at 6:00 p.m.), Phillips, Amerine, Powell and Kemp

ALSO PRESENT: Soren Wolff, City Administrator; Deb Neels, Finance Director; Larry Wolf, Parks and Recreation Director; Rick Van Dolah, Park Maintenance Supervisor; and Ed Englehart, Recreation Supervisor and representatives from the Golf Course, Boat Harbor, Cemetery and Parks and Recreation Advisory Commissions.

The Council reviewed the following Enterprise Funds:

Golf Course

Boat Harbor

The Council also reviewed the following General Fund Budgets:

Cemetery

Parks & Recreation Administration

Park Maintenance

Recreation

Swimming Pools

February 19, 1987

8:30 p.m.

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Mayor Waltman; Councilmembers, York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Powell and Kemp

ALSO PRESENT: Soren Wolff, City Administrator; Deb Neels, Finance Director; Randy Hill, Acting Public Works Director; Deb Yerington, Refuse Collection Supervisor and Francis Palmer, Equipment Services Supervisor

The City Council reviewed the following Enterprise Funds:

Landfill

Refuse Collection

Special Funds including Equipment Services which accounts for the maintenance of all City Equipment

February 23, 1987

4:00 p.m.

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Mayor Waltman; Councilmembers, York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Powell and Kemp

ALSO PRESENT: Soren Wolff, City Administrator; Deb Neels, Finance Director; Craig Olson, Water Pollution Director; Darlene Linville, Administrative Aide; Randy Hill, Acting Public Works Director; Norma Todd, Transportation Supervisor and representatives from the Airport and Public Transit Advisory Commissions

The City Council reviewed the following Enterprise Funds:

Water Pollution Control

Airport

Parking System

Public Transportation

The City Council also had a discussion concerning the request from IBP to purchase the former Armira building to start up a new tannery. Craig Olson, Water Pollution Control Director reviewed the project and outlined the concerns with this type of operation along with Federal Industrial Pre-treatment requirements. Members of Council expressed concerns about the potential of odors. A review was made of the impact on the rate structure for industrial customers. The City Administrator recommended a meeting also be held with the Muscatine Development Corporation to discuss the project and there was general consensus a letter should be sent to IBP with pre-treatment requirements for chromium and sulfides along with a proposed impact on rate structures. The Council agreed to this procedure.

February 24, 1987

4:00 p.m.

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Mayor Waltman; Councilmembers, York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Powell and Kemp

ALSO PRESENT: Soren Wolff, City Administrator; Deb Neels, Director of Finance; Marsha Tate, Library Director; Sheila Caudron; Assistant Library Director; Bill McGonagle, Art Center Director; Barb Longtin, Assistant Art Center Director and representatives from the following outside agencies: New Horizons Substance Abuse, Commission on Aging, Meals on Wheels, Legal Services, Sheltered Workshop and the Chamber of Commerce

The City Council reviewed the following General Fund budgets:

Art Center

Library

Public Health

Economic Well Being

Economic Development

The CATV Enterprise Fund was also reviewed.

February 26, 1987

4:00 p.m.

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Mayor Waltman; Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Powell and Kemp

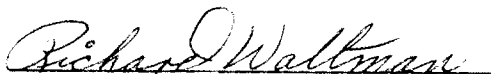
ALSO PRESENT: Soren Wolff, City Administrator; Deb Neels, Finance Director


The City Council conducted the budget summary review session and made the following adjustments to the budget as submitted to the City Administrator:

1. Additional insurance premium in the City's General Liability and Public Officials Liability policies of \$28,900 will require increasing the tort liability tax rate by \$.035820.
2. The outside agencies were increased by a net amount of \$10,200 with four agencies increased above the amount recommended by the City Administrator and five reduced.
3. An additional \$4,000 in part time wages was added to the Dispatch Center in the Public Safety Building as a result of additional certification requirements established by the State of Iowa.
4. All travel and education accounts were reduced 3% across the board with the exception of the Mayor and Council budget which was reduced 10% resulting in a decrease of \$2,783 in the General Fund and Airport Revenues were increased by \$6,000.

The additional changes outside of the insurance adjustment requires an increased tax levy of \$.01080 which would result in a recommended tax levy for Fiscal Year 1988 of \$10.25702 or an increase of 1.05%. The

Council also requested that a report be submitted on the impact of reducing the Public Transit Budget by an additional \$15,000 and that such information be available prior to the public hearing to be held on March 12, 1987.

  
Richard Waltman, Mayor

  
Soren Wolff, City Administrator