



**MURRAY CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024**

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

Budget Reconciliation - Meeting Minutes

Murray City Center, 5025 South State Street, Council Chambers, Murray, Utah 84107

Attendance: Council Members and others:

Pam Cotter - Chair	District #2
Garry Hrechkosy –Vice Chair	District #5 – Excused
Phil Markham	District #1
Rosalba Dominguez	District #3
Diane Turner	District #4

Brett Hales	Mayor	Jennifer Kennedy	City Council Executive Director
Doug Hill	Chief Administrative Officer	Pattie Johnson	Council Administration
Tammy Kikuchi	Chief Communications Officer	Joey Mittelman	Fire Chief
Russ Kakala	Public Works Director	Kim Sorensen	Parks and Recreation Director
Brenda Moore	Finance Director	Craig Burnett	Police Chief
Janice Strobell	Citizen		

Conducting: Ms. Cotter called the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Agenda:

- **Library Budget Overview** – Ms. Fong reported no substantial changes to the budget other than reallocated expenditures to align with current needs. As for CIP (Capital Improvement Projects) Fund requests, she discussed two items which were \$80,000 to continue repairing and replacing the HVAC system and \$50,000 to upgrade and remodel the public restrooms.
- **Discuss Contingency List**
 - Old ice rink architecture plans – Ms. Kennedy spoke on behalf of Mr. Hrechkosy and stated that he favored keeping the \$500,000 amount in place for the ice rink project. He also would suggest that a study be conducted to determine best use of the funding. Mr. Markham felt the amount was a significant commitment when the outdoor pool was having a major issue. He suggested engineers or architects study the entire area to resolve the problem and see if both amenities could co-exist due to parking space challenges, flooding, and ground water issues. He thought it was too early to approve ice rink funding, so he proposed \$50,000 instead for a feasibility study that would include both the ice rink project and the outdoor pool evaluation.

Mr. Sorensen said the cost for a feasibility study was about \$50,000, however he wondered if the Ken Price ball field should be included for a total of three study areas. There was consensus and Mr. Markham agreed examining all three areas was a good idea. Mr. Sorensen thought public input was important as part of a study to determine what citizens prefer. Mr. Markham agreed recommendations from residents might also include a splash pad so the study might incorporate four areas of recreation. Mr. Sorensen favored the possibility. Mr. Markham said it was important for Mr. Hrechkosy to be present for this discussion, so the item was tabled until a future budget meeting to include him.

- Add additional funds for police cars – Ms. Cotter reviewed how the initial CIP request for \$132,000 was calculated wrong to fund the police car rotation program. The amount should have been \$660,000. Ms. Moore confirmed it was now a matter of whether or not 12 cars

should be fully funded this year and doing so would require approximately an additional \$132,000 of CIP funding. Chief Burnett confirmed with inflation cars were more costly, but rotation was part of the continued cycle program. There was consensus to fully allocate the correct CIP request amount accordingly.

- Add funding for an additional police officer – Ms. Moore discussed the CIP request to say that she examined the payroll budget ahead of time and reported that an additional \$119,016 was found to fund the position. GF (General Fund) information and calculations she made were reviewed and analyzed which included GF adjustments within the overall budget, CIP decreases, updated changes to staffing, and modifications related to staffing withing the Water, Golf, and Stormwater Funds. As a result a total amount of \$67,000 was available to help fund the additional police officer position. The remaining amount would be easily resolved by reallocating \$60,000 in tax funding that is received by the CIP Fund. There was consensus to implement additional funding to provide an additional police officer position, which would add two new police officers to the department.
- Increase amount in the Clean Energy Fund – Ms. Turner reviewed the purpose of the fund was to help fund the purchase of clean energy vehicles for the City. The annual amount allocated to the fund is \$30,000, where the balance is currently \$80,000. Ms. Kennedy clarified Ms. Turner's initial budget request was to double the amount to \$60,000 beginning this year. Ms. Turner said her hope was to keep the annual amount at \$30,000. There was consensus to leave the allocation the same to build the fund.

Adjournment: 4:25 p.m.

Pattie Johnson
Council Office Administrator III