AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL   **BUDGET WORK SESSION MEETING**
MINUTES   **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2016**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Budget Work Session meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2016, City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Adler called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.   Council Members Gallo and Troxclair were absent.

1.   Presentation and discussion on policy topics related to the fiscal year 2017 Financial Forecast.
        Presentation was made by Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

        The following topics were discussed:
        • **Developing and Funding Transportation Projects**
          Presentation was made by Robert Goode, Assistant City Manager, Mike Trimble, Capital Planning Officer and Greg Canally, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

Mayor Adler recessed the meeting at 12:18 p.m.

Mayor Adler reconvened the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

1.   Presentation and discussion on policy topics related to the fiscal year 2017 Financial Forecast.
        Presentation was made by Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

        The following topics were discussed:
        • **Developing and Funding Transportation Projects (Continued)**
          Presentation was made by Robert Goode, Assistant City Manager, Mike Trimble, Capital Planning Officer and Greg Canally, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

          Direction was given to staff to provide the following information: results of the transportation survey by the various transportation methods (bicycles, sidewalks, etc.); a breakdown of the remaining funds approved on previous bond propositions; a breakdown of the remaining outstanding general obligation debt; information on how a TIF can be abolished by Council; a list of projects that are near the "shovel ready" stage of the project; a breakdown of the amount of funding spent on bicycle improvements, urban trails and sidewalk improvements included in the previous bond packages; details on how the bond package from 2000 was put together; any analysis of the potential of the proposed corridor improvements in comparison to other City goals such as affordable housing; a copy of the long-range capital improvement plan; information on the criteria for ranking of the "Safe Routes to School" program and how the criteria was established.

        • **Public Safety Staffing Levels**

Presentation was made by Chief Art Acevedo, Police Chief, Brian Manly, Chief of Staff and Alice Thomas, Assistant Director, Austin Police Department, Chief Rhoda Mae Kerr, Fire Chief, Ronnelle Paulsen, Assistant Director, Austin Fire Department,

Direction was given to staff to provide the following information: a revised report of the survey of the police satisfaction survey results that compares Austin with cities over 500,000 population; clearance rate for the DNA processing for rape cases; input from the department on what type and level of additional civilian staff required; data that supports the assumption that hiring more detectives will increase the clearance rate; fire response times for areas within the ESD 4; the color key for the colors used in the chart relating to fire response times included in the presentation.

- **Budget Process**
  Mayor Adler outlined the proposed budget process for FY2016-2017. This item will be added to a June Council Work Session for discussion. Questions to be discussed include: How many council members are required to add an item to the concept menu; How many council members are required to remove an item from the concept menu; The deadline for submitting items to the concept menu; Should there be a time that allows a council member to add an item to the concept menu without co-sponsors; and The process for Council to use to take council action on the concept menu without requiring public testimony.

- **Community Engagement**
  Presentation was made by Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

Mayor Adler adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 9th day of June 2016 on Council Member Houston's motion, Council Member Pool's second on an 8-0 vote. Mayor Adler, Council Members Garza and Kitchen were absent.