



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**BUDGET WORK SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2016**

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Budget Work Session meeting on Wednesday, July 27, 2016, City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Pro Tem Tovo called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. Mayor Adler and Council members Kitchen and Pool were absent.

1. Presentation and discussion regarding the City’s Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.
The presentation was made by Elaine Hart, Chief Financial Officer and Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial Officer

The following topics were discussed:

- Council priorities - Overall highest rated Council priorities discussed during Council Policy work sessions: Comprehensive solutions to combat homelessness; Investments and funding for mobility improvements (road/corridor); Increase housing supply, options, and remove barriers; Develop and implement additional housing cost tools; Higher density in transit corridors and workforce housing; Economic development east of Highway 183.
- Budget Highlights – Affordability; Transportation and Mobility; Health and Housing Needs; Public Safety Enhancements; Wages and Employee Benefits; Community Growth Persists; Other Major Initiatives (deferred facility maintenance, funding for IT Governance, Organics collection program, New Central Library, equity assessment tool); Maintain Outstanding Financial Stability.
- Public Engagement – Public Input and Community Outreach, Austin Budget Simulator.
- All Funds Overview – Civilian Pay; Sworn Pay; City Population and Employee Growth.
- General Fund Highlights – General Fund Revenue; Property Tax; City of Austin median Tax Bill History; Overlapping Property Tax; Overlapping Median Tax Bill History; Sales Tax – Annual Growth Rate; Utility Transfers; Utility Transfer History; Development Revenue; General Fund; Budget Changes; Department Highlights; Five Year Outlook.
- Internal Service Funds Highlights – Internal Service Allocations; Support Service Highlights; CTM Highlights; Fleet Highlights.
- Enterprise and Other Funds Highlights – Austin Energy Highlights; Austin Water Highlights; Aviation Highlights, Convention Center Highlights; Austin Resource Recovery Highlights; Austin Code Highlights; Public Works Highlights; Austin Transportation (ATD) Highlights; Watershed Protection Highlights.
- Capital Budget Highlights – Fiscal Year Appropriations by Department; Austin Energy Capital Budget Highlights; Austin Water Capital Budget Highlights; Aviation Capital Budget Highlights; Other Capital Appropriations - \$177.3 Million.
- Next Steps – Budget Timeline, Budget Work Session Agenda.

Prior to the City implementing across the board increases to staff a two percent performance based salary used to be given to staff; direction was given to staff to provide information on the two percent performance based salary increase to civilian employees and what percentage of employees received that two percent performance based increase. Direction was given to staff to provide a list of anticipated annexations.

Mayor Pro Tem Tovo adjourned the meeting at 12:17 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 18th day of August 2016 on Council Member Zimmerman's motion, Council Member Garza's second on an 11-0 vote.