

City of Greeley, Colorado
COUNCIL WORKSESSION REPORT
September 24, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m. by Mayor Gates, in the Council's Chambers at the City Center South Campus, 1001 11th Avenue.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gates led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

3. ROLL CALL

Jerry Harvey, Assistant City Clerk, called the roll. Those present were Mayor John Gates and Councilmembers Robb Casseday, Dale Hall, Brett Payton, Jon Smail, and Stacy Suniga.

Councilmember Michael Fitzsimmons was excused.

4. 2020 PROPOSED BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Robert Miller, Budget Manager, discussed the budget schedule and introduced Police Chief Mark Jones to describe the 2020 Police Department budget.

Chief Jones briefly highlighted the 2020 departmental priorities and continued by discussing supplemental requests, the total budget, the budget by division, performance measures, and a summary of the revised 2020 budget.

Councilmember Suniga inquired about whether the Police Department has begun charging other municipalities for use of the Police Department shooting range. Chief Jones explained that they began charging for use of the shooting range earlier this year through Council action.

Chief Dale Lyman, Greeley Fire Chief, briefly highlighted the 2020 departmental priorities and continued by discussing supplemental requests, the total budget, the budget by division, performance measures, and a summary of the revised 2020 budget.

In response to a question from Councilmember Payton, Chief Lyman explained that by purchasing trucks to respond to some calls instead of ladder trucks the City has saved ladder trucks from going on approximately 1000 calls.

Brad Mueller, Community Development Director, highlighted the 2020 departmental priorities and continued by discussing supplemental requests, the total budget, the budget by division, performance measures, and a summary of the revised 2020 budget.

Councilmember Smail inquired as to why the supplemental request for a long-range planner position that was in the Housing Plan earlier in the year was not included in the proposed budget.

Roy Otto, City Manager, explained that it did not rise to the importance of other City needs.

Mr. Mueller added that there is a wish list of projects that this position would be working on, but they do not necessarily rise to the importance of other projects.

Councilmember Casseday noted the modest amount that was requested to update the TRAKiT software, and he expressed that the software is so useful that we should keep it as up-to-date as possible.

In response to a question from Councilmember Suniga, Mr. Mueller explained that many of the planned changes to the Code are housekeeping but some are more substantial overhauls stemming from the Housing Plan and the Work Program.

Kelli Johnson, Community and Engagement Director, highlighted the 2020 departmental priorities and continued by discussing supplemental requests, the total budget, the budget by division, performance measures, and a summary of the revised 2020 budget.

Benjamin Snow, Director of Economic Health & Housing, highlighted the 2020 departmental priorities and continued by discussing the total budget, the budget by division, performance measures, and a summary of the revised 2020 budget.

Becky Safarik, Assistant City Manager, provided a brief history of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and introduced Carol Larsen, Grant Specialist, to highlight the proposed 2020 budget for the CDBG.

Ms. Larsen began by highlighting where CDBG funds have been used so far in 2019 including infrastructure improvements, other City activities, and assistance to non-profits. She continued by discussing the 2020-2024 consolidated plan/budget and described the timeline for approval, priorities, and objectives of the CDBG. She then discussed the applications for funding received in 2019 by topic area including affordable housing, neighborhood revitalization, and public services. She concluded with a brief summary of her presentation.

Councilmember Suniga expressed how proud she is of the efforts regarding affordable housing.

Mr. Miller introduced Chris Leffler, Chair of the Citizen Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC), to highlight the CBAC recommendations.

Mr. Miller provided an overview of the 2020 budget and adjustments from additional tax revenues including a description of the 2020 additional property tax allocation, 2020 recommended general fund supplemental requests, and the 2020 supplemental requests not being recommended for funding.

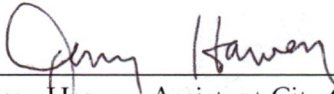
Mayor Gates thanked all involved in the budget process on a job well done.

5. SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS, OTHER EVENTS

Mr. Otto noted that discussion and potential approval of the transportation master plan has been moved to after the November 2019 election.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gates adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.



Jerry Harvey, Assistant City Clerk