

City of Lodi
Finance & Human Resources Committee
Minutes of October 18, 2022

1. Call to Order.

Chair Stevenson called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM.

Committee Members Present: Rich Stevenson, Nick Strasser, Peter Tonn, Tim Ripp (virtual), Mike Goethel (virtual) arrived in person 4:52, Eric Hansen (virtual)

Staff: Brenda Ayers, Sandy Bloechl

Others: Ann Groves Lloyd

2. Meeting Etiquette- no one online except alders

3. Public Input

None

4. 2023 Budget Discussion

Budget Timeline –

4.a. Levy Limit Worksheet – Ayers reviewed

4.b. General Fund Summary Budget – projecting \$1,826,267 ending fund balance,

4.c. Budget Balancing Discussion – Ayers presented balancing options that were attached to agenda, Stevenson suggested that 1.5 million fund balance is still strong, the 131,637 of expected change is from what hasn't spent but budgeted for in 2022. Groves Lloyd expressed her concerns with combining the Administrator and Clerk positions, Ayers explained her reasoning behind combining the positions, majority agreed to go with Ayers suggestion of combining the Administrator and Clerk position, Groves Lloyd stressed her concerns about employees having balance between life and work, a budget amendment could be done next year if this doesn't work, Tonn asked if ARPA funds could be used in 2022 so that the surplus is higher than 131,637 – Ayers was unaware of anything, ARPA funds to Chamber was one and done, Tonn brought up the cost of Public Safety budget and how much it has increased, suggests allowing them to replace one officer and not 2 and that will keep the budget flat, police liaison with the school was brought up, Groves Lloyd commented that Chief Smith and herself met with the school and asked them to add a school resource officer but they never added to budget. Groves Lloyd suggested to start billing the school for all the time that is spent at the schools, Hansen agreed that there are many items that need to be addressed and that the time that is spent up at the school has gotten out of control. Strasser pointed out that the PD is 65% of the levy and that it is becoming unsustainable. Ayers suggests that this proposal is what goes to the paper and then have a meeting with Chief Smith. Fund balance was discussed. Special meeting needed with Police Chief – October 25th @5:00

4.d. Tax Rate Calculation – Ayers explained worksheet, final equated values haven't been received yet,

5. TIF Special Revenue Funds – Ayers gave an overview of the TIDs, money owed the general fund was discussed

6. Next Meeting Date. The next meeting is October 25th at 5:00 and Agenda Items

7. Adjourn. MOTION (Strasser, Goethel) to adjourn at 5:53 p.m. Voice vote – all Ayes. **Motion carried.**

Minutes by Sandy Bloechl, Accounting Manager/Treasurer