

**BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
COUNCIL CHAMBER
405 JEFFERSON STREET
WASHINGTON, MO**

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS:

Roll call/Pledge of Allegiance

ACTION:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Approval of the August 7, 2023, Workshop minutes

Approve/Mayor

2. BUDGET WORKSHOP:

Handouts will be provided on sewer rate increase and budget

Discussion

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Public vote on whether or not to hold a closed meeting to discuss personnel, legal or real estate matters pursuant to Section 610.021 RSMo (2000)

ROLL CALL VOTE

4. ADJOURNMENT:

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**MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF WASHINGTON, MISSOURI
BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2023**

The Council Workshop Meeting was held on Monday, August 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 405 Jefferson Street, Washington, Missouri. Mayor Hagedorn opened the meeting with roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor:	Doug Hagedorn	Present
Council Members:	Ward I	Al Behr Duane Reed
		Absent Present
	Ward II	Mark Hidritch Mark Wessels
		Present Present
	Ward III	Chad Briggs Jeff Patke
		Present Present
	Ward IV	Mike Coulter Joe Holtmeier
		Present Present
Also Present:	City Administrator	Darren Lamb
	City Clerk	Sherri Klekamp
	Library Director	Nelson Appell
	Finance Director	Mary Sprung
	Public Works Superintendent	Kevin Quaethem
	Street Superintendent	Tony Bonastia
	Interim City Engineer	Charles Stankovic
	Economic Development Director	Sal Maniaci
	Parks Director	Wayne Dunker
	Emergency Management Director	Mark Skornia
	Communications Director	Jennifer Brune
	Fire Chief	Tim Frankenberg
	Police Chief	Jim Armstrong

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 5 & July 17, 2023, Workshop meetings as presented made by Wessels, seconded by Patke, passed without dissent.

BUDGET WORKSHOP:

Memo

To: City Council
From: Darren Lamb
Cc: Mayor
Date: 8/7/23
Re: Budget Goals

Administration and Finance are proposing to include the following goals in this year's budget:

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General Fund

- Incorporate an 3% cost of living and 2% merit increase for all employees
- Annual payment to commissioned Police Officers (anticipated at \$4,000)
- 4% increase in sales tax
- Salary Study similar to the full report completed in 2017

Local Use Tax Fund

- Prioritize and reconstruct existing private stormwater retention basins
- Utilize funds to slipline sanitary sewer mains to reduce infiltration
- 20% increase in use tax

Water Fund

- Annual rate increase
- New water tower East end of town - \$600,000

Wastewater rate increase

Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund

- Airport hangars - \$1,910,000 (City share \$320,680 and federal grant \$1,587,320)
- City Auditorium roof insulation and exterior improvements - \$900,000
- Downtown Washington utility burial - \$285,000
- New water tower East end of town - \$300,000 (see above for additional funds)
- Front and Main TIF infrastructure - \$1,000,000
- Oldenburg Industrial Park - \$1,000,000

Transportation Sales Tax Fund

- East West Parkway - \$700,000
- Westlink Drive - \$467,750
- Don Avenue - \$200,000
- East Third St. - \$1,509,944
- Jefferson St. - \$1,344,930
- W. Second St. - \$854,000
- Various Streets - \$200,000

Marijuana Tax

- Two additional FT Parks employees or one FTE and Parks Master Plan
- \$5,500 annual payment to Communications employees

ARPA funds

- Economic Development (as needed)
- Tourism signage
- Supplemental funding for CIST or Transportation
- Tourism signage

*City Administrator Darren Lamb presented to Council some of the budget goals for 2023/2024. Discussions ensued regarding the cost of living and merit increase, salary study and Parks Master Plan.

*Interim City Engineer Charles Stankovic presented to Council the Washington Transportation Budget. Topics included the 2023-2030 budget and 2023-2030 projects. Brief discussions ensued regarding the Second Street Improvements Project, TIF funds, Busch Creek Guardrail Project, Transportation Sales Tax Fund and Rabbit Trail/Highway 100 Grant Project

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*City Administrator Darren Lamb and Public Works Superintendent Kevin Quaethem discussed the sewer rate increase. Options will be presented at the next Workshop Meeting which is scheduled for August 21, 2023.

Executive Session

Public vote on whether or not to hold a closed meeting to discuss personnel, legal or real estate matters pursuant to Section 610.021 RSMo (2000) passed on 6:39 p.m. on the following roll call vote; Briggs-aye, Coulter-aye, Hidritch-aye, Holtmeier-aye, Patke-aye, Reed-aye, Wessels-aye, Behr-absent.

The regular session reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn made at 7:00 p.m. by Holtmeier, seconded by Patke, passed without dissent.

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