



MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
CITY OF NEW PORT RICHEY

NEW PORT RICHEY CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5919 MAIN STREET, NEW PORT RICHEY, FLORIDA

July 26, 2022
7:00 PM

**ORDER OF
BUSINESS**

1 Call to Order - Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rob Marlowe at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Councilman Peter Altman and Councilwoman Kelly Mothershead. Deputy Mayor Mike Peters and Councilman Matt Murphy were excused.

Also in attendance were City Manager Debbie L. Manns, City Attorney Timothy Driscoll, City Clerk Judy Meyers, Police Chief Kim Bogart, Finance Director Crystal Feast, Fire Chief Chris Fitch, Public Works Director Robert Rivera, Economic Development Director Barbara Carr, Library Director Andi Figart, Technology and Innovations Director Robert Greene, Interim Parks and Recreation Director Terri Moore and Human Resources & Organizational Development Director Karl Fuchs.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2 Review of Proposed Departmental Budgets for FY22-23 - Page 2

City Manager Manns introduced the item to Council. She stated the purpose of this work session was to review the proposed budgets for the Library, Recreation & Aquatics and Police Department.

Library Director Andi Figart then presented the Library budget to Council. The changes were as follows: Internet reference services increased, electric decreased due to the solar panels, library supplies decreased due to donations of furniture by the Friends of the Library, Library materials also decreased.

Interim Parks and Recreation Director Terri Moore then presented the Recreation & Aquatics budget to Council. The changes were as follows:

- Recreation - Under Personnel Services regular salaries were increased due to new hires. Under operating, contractual services increased due to classes resuming, travel & training increased, gas/propane increased, printing & binding was decreased, recreation supplies decreased, marketing was decreased. Capital projects included outdoor basketball

resurfacing and restroom improvements and gym improvements. There is also a request to replace some fitness equipment and access control upgrades.

- Aquatics - Under Personnel Services there was an addition of an aquatics coordinator. Under Operating water safety instruction increased, contractual services decreased, maintenance and grounds increased. Capital projects included pool resurfacing and the canopy and shade replacement.

Police Chief Kim Bogart then presented the Police Department budget to Council. The changes were as follows:

- Supervision - Employee physicals increased, contractual services increased, data lines increased, clothing increased and operating supplies increased.
- Support Services - Software licenses decreased. Capital projects included an evidence drying chamber and fuming chamber.
- Criminal Investigations - travel & training increased, automobile lease increased, garage maintenance decreased and computer supplies increased.
- Patrol - Contractual services decreased, automobile lease decreased, maintenance technical equipment decreased, fuel increased, computer supplies decreased, and automotive parts decreased. Capital projects include body cameras, in car cameras and tasers.
- Code Enforcement - Animal Control increased, contractual services decreased and automobile lease increased.
- Traffic Enforcement - There were no significant changes.

City Council then held a brief discussion regarding a recent national news article related to the safety along U.S. Highway 19. Councilman Altman suggested allocating funds to hire a consultant to perform a safety evaluation of the entire city.

3 Communications

Mayor Marlowe stated he was contacted from someone from GHS about placing a 100th anniversary banner across Main Street. He said he referred them to the City Manager.

4 Adjournment

There being no further business to consider, upon proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Approved: _____ (date)

_____ (signed)

Initialed: _____

Judy Meyers, CMC, City Clerk