

# **BUDGET POLICY COMMITTEE**

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## **AGENDA**

**Thursday, December 5, 2019**

**3:30 p.m.**

**Conference Room #1**

**Grand Island City Hall**

1. Call to Order ..... Chairman Clay Schutz
2. Roll Call ..... City Clerk RaNae Edwards
3. Approval of November 21, 2019 Minutes ..... Chairman Clay Schutz
4. Parks & Recreation Department Projects ..... Parks & Recreation Director Todd McCoy
5. Adjournment ..... Chairman Clay Schutz

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF BUDGET POLICY COMMITTEE

November 21, 2019

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the Budget Policy Committee of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted in Conference Room #1 of City Hall, 100 East First Street on November 21, 2019. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on November 14, 2019.

Chairman Clay Schutz called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m. The following Councilmembers were present: Clay Schutz, Chuck Haase, and Jason Conley. Councilmember's Jeremy Jones and Vaughn Minton were absent. City Officials present were: Mayor Roger G. Steele, City Administrator Jerry Janulewicz, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, and Finance Director Patrick Brown.

Approval of November 14, 2019 Minutes. Motion by Councilmember Chuck Haase, second by Councilmember Jason Conley to approve the November 14, 2019 minutes. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

2004 Sales Tax Ballot Questions. City Attorney Jerry Janulewicz stated there was some discussion at the last meeting regarding Special Elections. Special Elections could be held in any month, May and November were in conjunction with the Primary and General Elections. The City would be responsible for the cost of Special Elections. Discussion was held regarding mail in ballots.

Comments were made concerning the difficulty of following money from revenue to expenses. Discussion was held regarding the 2004 Sales Tax and where the money should be used. \$2.5 million was discussed to be used for Public Safety and how to follow those funds along with ballot language.

Mayor Steele commented on county ambulance services provided by the City to the County and the cost. It was suggested that this committee have a meeting with three Hall County Supervisors to talk about the County funding more for Fire Department needs. City Administrator Jerry Janulewicz talked about a county wide ambulance district.

Mr. Brown commented on Lincoln, Nebraska having an Enterprise Fund for their ambulance services and that they were making money. It was suggested that we look into a county wide taxing district and how Lincoln does their ambulance service. Mr. Janulewicz stated he would look at the statutes first to see what could be done before meeting with the County.

It was suggested that the ballot language include Public Safety and Capital Projects.

Wire Transfer Occupation Tax. Mr. Brown stated there was not a whole lot of information on this topic. It would be difficult to implement this and a lot of people were upset when it was brought up the first time several years ago. It was decided by the board not to go forward with this issue.

Revenue from New Growth. Mr. Brown stated this item was related to Councilmember Paulick's email that new growth goes toward Public Safety. Discussion was held about what would happen if there was no growth. The board would let Mike know that they had looked at his request but would not go forward with it.

Revenue from TIP Properties. Mr. Brown presented a report regarding TIF projects. He stated these were slow coming in. Discussion was held regarding TIF policy/guidelines.

The next meeting would be held on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 3:30 p.m.:

ADJOURNMENT: 4:58 p.m.

RaNae Edwards  
City Clerk