City Council Chambers, Civic Center, 35 Cajon Street, Redlands, California

Present: Committee Members Staff
Toni Momberger, Chairperson Charles Duggan
Ruth Cook, Secretary Danielle Garcia
Mike Foster Faith Nobles
Shelli Stockton James Garland
Joseph Valdivia

Absent: Steven Chapman, Shelli Stockton, Edward Ico

1. ATTENDANCE & CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 3:01 PM. Chairperson Momberger thanked and welcomed everyone for attending.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
Brent Fuller, representing the Redlands Professional Firefighters, spoke to express his thanks to the committee and council on the proposed budget. He explained how pleased the fire department is with the proposed shoring up of city services.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A motion to approve and accept the February 25, 2022 minutes was made by Joe Valdivia and seconded by Shelli Stockton. All approved and the motion was carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation of the City Manager’s Proposed Budget - Measure T for Fiscal Years 2022-23 and 2023-24 (City Manager Duggan and Management Services Director Garcia)
Finance Director Garcia gave a recap of the budget presentation that was given to the City Council which focused specifically on items covered by the Measure T funding. She reviewed the accomplishments of the Measure T committee and gave an overview of the 2021-22 expenditures related to Measure T funds and a fiscal overview of the general fund. She then explained the 2023 fiscal year forecast of projected revenue with increased sales and property taxes. The proposed budget for Measure T expenditures for fiscal years 2023 and 2024 were explained and discussed with detailed descriptions of the itemized spending categories. City Manager Duggan added his comments on the budgets and stated that the focus of the city is on doing basic services well. The committee had questions about staffing and what happens if Measure T funds fluctuate. Duggan indicated to Chairperson Momberger that the city did not want to create vulnerable employees and they planned for this fluctuation. Momberger had specific questions about some of the Measure T funding, including the animal shelter and money from the Amazon warehouse sales tax revenue.
Dennis Bell commented regarding concerns about delaying committee appointments. In addition, he thanked the staff for their work on the budget information but stated that transparency was necessary and that he felt more clarification was needed within certain areas of the budget.

Brett Fuller reiterated his and the Redlands Firefighter’s Association’s support for the budget.

Committee member Stockton left the meeting at 4:30.

B. Discussion and possible action related to a recommendation to the City Council regarding the City Manager’s Proposed Budget-Measure T for Fiscal Years 2022-23 and 2023-24.

The committee discussed the recommendation and how to proceed with it. Foster made a motion for approval of the Measure T Committee’s recommendation of the 2022-23 and 2023-24 budgets. Valdivia made the second. All approved and the motion was carried.

It is discussed that Momberger will write a letter in support of the proposed budgets on behalf of the committee. Duggan’s suggested the formation of a subcommittee to work on the letter. It is agreed that the subcommittee will consist of Momberger and Cook. Valdivia made a motion to approve the subcommittee’s formation and Foster seconded. All approved and the motion was carried.

C. Discussion and possible action relating to future meetings.

The upcoming June 7th City Council Meeting is presented along with the January 2023 appointment of new members based on new council district boundaries. The next meeting for the committee is projected for February or March 2023 to review audited financials.

5. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting is adjourned at 4:49 PM