

WALLA WALLA CITY COUNCIL
Work Session Minutes
October 24, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Scribner called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Brian Casey, Rick Eskil, Ted Koehler, Steve Moss, Susan Nakonieczny, Gustavo Reyna-Virtual, and Mayor Tom Scribner.

Absent: None

City staff in attendance: Deputy City Manager Elizabeth Chamberlain, Finance Director Jean Teasdale, Accounting Manager Liz Moeller, Development Services Director Preston Frederickson, Library Director Erin Wells, Public Works Director Ki Bealey, Police Chief Chris Buttice, and City Clerk Lisa Neissl.

2. ACTIVE AGENDA

A. Budget Process Overview

Staff presented a broad overview on the budgeting process, city organization and reporting structure, major funds and services provided. Fund accounting terminology were defined, revenue sources and investment policies were explained.

There was discussion on:

- Investments and management of the investments
- Restricted funds
- Percentage of fund balances and policy changes
- Marijuana taxes and how they are used
- Time and work done by the Finance Committee
- Excise and administrative fees methodology

B. Proposed 2023-2024 Budget

Staff presented specifics on the proposed budget including details on the proposed decision packages.

There was discussion on:

- Deliberative process of the Finance Committee
- Cost of service study
- Process to reach final budget
- Decision packages included at this point
- Decision packages not included at this point

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- Liability insurance increases
- Budget amendments
- Potential of additional Finance Committee meeting
- Prioritization of excluded decision package items
- Additional discussion opportunities
- Various other funds revenue and expenditure projections

3. MEETING ENDS

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 5:50 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Mayor

City Clerk