



City of Carthage, Missouri

BUDGET WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

August 12, 2024 - 5:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alan Snow, Terri Heckmaster, Christopher Taylor

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dustin Edge

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS:

STAFF PRESENT: Acting City Administrator Traci Cox, Parks Director Abi Almandinger, CEDC Director Jeff Meredith and Admin Assistant Dorothy Weber

Chairman Snow called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

2. Old Business

1. Approval of July 23, 2024 Minutes

ACTION:	Motion to approve July 23, 2024 minutes by Chris Taylor
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Terri Heckmaster, Chris Taylor, Alan Snow
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

3. Citizens Participation

(Citizens wishing to speak should notify Department Head or Committee Chair in advance)

4. New Business

1. Consider and discuss MoDOT Tax Grant Agreement

The 2024-2025 fy tax funding in the amount of \$16,434.56 was discussed and forwarded to council. The tax funding has no restrictions and can be used for operating expenses reimbursement.

ACTION:	Motion to forward tax grant acceptance by Terri Heckmaster
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Alan Snow, Terri Heckmaster, Chris Taylor

NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

2. Consider and discuss an Ordinance levying general taxes upon real property located within the City of Carthage, Jasper County, Missouri for the Year 2024 for general revenue purposes and other purposes, and fixing the rate thereof

Traci Cox explained that the tax levy would stay the same for FY 24/25.

ACTION:	Motion to forward tax levy to council by chris taylor
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Chris Taylor, Alan Snow, Terri Heckmaster
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

3. Consider and discuss budget adjustment for the purchase of a Parks truck

Traci Cox explained that the purchase of a new parks truck was moved from Capital Outlay to Use Tax and was not included in the budget, and she would like to have it included in the FY 24/25 budget.

ACTION:	Motion to forward budget adjustment to council by Terri Heckmaster
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, Chris Taylor
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

4. Consider and discuss budget adjustment for hiring an architectural historian to help design guidelines for the Historic District

A discussion was had about hiring a historical architect to update design guidelines for the Historic District. The City of Carthage would be responsible for \$15,000.00 and the total cost would be \$37,500.00.

ACTION:	Motion to forward hiring a historical architect to council by Chris Taylor
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Terri Heckmaster, Chris Taylor, Alan Snow
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

5. Consider and discuss an application for a Community Development Block Grant for replacing downtown sidewalks outside of the square

Jeff Meredith discussed re-doing the downtown sidewalk grant to ensure that the sidewalks are ADA compliant. He explained that the City's portion of it is already in the budget. Mr. Meredith discussed the possible timelines for starting the project and completion. This grant would be for the sidewalks outside of the square.

ACTION:	Motion to forward sidewalk grant to council by terri heckmaster
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, Chris Taylor
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

6. Staff Reports

Traci Cox stated that the sales tax numbers were up but use tax numbers were down from the same time last year. Ms. Cox stated that the marijuana tax received in August was \$12,400.00.

5. Adjournment

ACTION:	Motion to Adjourn at 5:57 PM by Alan Snow
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Alan Snow, Terri Heckmaster, Chris Taylor
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None