



City of Carthage, Missouri

BUDGET WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

December 9, 2024 - 5:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Barlow, Terri Heckmaster, Chris Taylor

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS: Jana Schramm

STAFF PRESENT: Interim City Administrator Traci Cox, IT Director Michael Keith, HR Director Michael Miller and Admin Assistant Dorothy Weber

Chairman Heckmaster called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM

2. Old Business

1. Approval of October 14, 2024 Minutes

ACTION: Motion to Approve Oct 14, 2024 Minutes by Chris Taylor
Motion passed with a 2:0

AYES: Chris Taylor, Terri Heckmaster

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Tom Barlow as he was not on the committee during that time.

3. Citizens Participation

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

4. New Business

1. Consider and Discuss a Supplemental Budget Adjustment for the General Revenue and Public Facilities Bond Fund for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Ms. Cox stated that she is going to start doing resolutions differently by changing headings. The budget adjustment is for the \$95,000.00 that was approved for the round-about and grants.

ACTION: Motion by Chris Taylor to forward item 4:1 to Council
Motion passed with a 3:0

AYES: Chris Taylor, Terri Heckmaster, Tom Barlow

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Consider and Discuss Network Host Project

Michael Keith spoke about a grant that he applied for last year that he was ready to move forward with. He stated that he was asking to use Stronghold as a sole source for the work as the city already has a contract with them. Mr. Keith stated that he received an updated quote that has a price difference of \$13,000.00 due to inflation. The City will be responsible for \$42,000.00 of the cost. Ms. Heckmaster asked about the 4% increase in cost each year and Ms. Cox stated that it was in the contract with Stronghold.

ACTION: Motion to forward item 4.2 to Council by Chris Taylor
Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES: Terri Heckmaster, Chris Taylor, Tom Barlow
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

3. Staff Reports

Ms. Cox gave the numbers for the first three years of the use tax and how they were dispersed between the departments. Ms. Cox then stated that the sales tax is up, and the use tax is down. She then gave the numbers for the marijuana tax that was collected. Ms. Cox explained to the committee that currently there is tax legislation before the state of Missouri against stacking of taxes and that if, for some reason, city and county taxes are not allowed to be collected at the same time, then the city would still collect the marijuana tax on the businesses that are in the city limits. Ms. Cox then explained that the city has AED machines that are expiring and that it would cost approx \$2000.00 for each machine to be replaced. In 2017 the City received a grant from MBH to purchase the AED's. Ms. Cox stated that The City currently has 15 AEDS but is looking to only replace 11. Ms. Cox then asked if the committee wanted to allocate funds to the AED purchase or if they would prefer if the City apply for another grant. The Committee decided to apply for a grant.

5. Adjournment

ACTION:	Motion to Adjourn by Chis Taylor at 5:53 PM
	Motion passed with 3:0
AYES:	Chris Taylor, Terri Heckmaster, Tom Barlow
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None