

## **WORKSESSION MINUTES**

November 15, 2005

Council Present: *C. Crichton, T. Daly, D. Gustafson, E. Kautz, and L. Workman*

Council Absent: *None*

Staff Present: *C. Ebeling, T. Hansen, J. Hansen, S. Olesen, T. Omdal, K. Strey, S. Olstad, B. Osmundson, J. Rhode*

Others Present: *J. Gessner*

### **ITEM 1. PROPOSED 2006 BUDGET**

T. Omdal, Deputy City Manager/CFO presented an overview 2006 recommended budget in a PowerPoint presentation:

- Agendas for the budget Worksessions
- Budget process
- 2006 Budget message – perspective
- 2006 budget recommendation - \$67M
  - Operations
  - Source of funds
  - Allocation of property taxes
  - Major highlights
- Changes to the max tax levy set in September
- Property tax supported funds and property tax increases
- 2006 City property tax
  - Impact on property taxpayers
  - Change in estimated market value
  - Distribution of property taxes by property type
- Fees
  - Utility fees
    - Comparison to other market cities
    - Payment examples
- General Fund \$27M
  - Use of funds
  - Source of funds
  - Personnel costs
  - Departmental highlights
  - Change in non-property tax revenue
- Special Revenue Funds
  - Cable Franchise Fee Fund
  - Tobacco/Alcohol Fund moved to General Fund
  - Youth Center Fund
  - Recycling Fund
  - Grant Fund – CDBG
  - EDA Fund
    - Discussion of the amount of the levy – reduction
    - Request for projected costs for MRQ
    - Max tax levy discussion of increasing EDA Levy in 2006
- Budget process dates

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### ITEM 1. PROPOSED 2006 BUDGET (Continued from Page 1)

The Council discussed the following items:

- Infrastructure Trust Fund should be continued to be funded
- Council supportive of proposed Public Safety funding
- Recommended budget includes \$135,000 EDA Levy
  - Impact of increase on property taxes if an additional \$240,000 levied by the EDA
- Recommended fees are supported
- Staff will bring more info on the impacts of a higher EDA Levy – 4.6% increase
- Use of EDA Levy for monument sign
- Council requested info on tax increase to a median home in Burnsville
  - Approximately \$20 increase in City taxes for 200,000 valued home
- CIP projects will be discussed at the next Worksession
- Consider looking at more creative ways of funding for THE GARAGE and monument signs
  - Community involvement
  - Partner with Chamber

### ITEM 2. ROUNDTABLE

#### USCM/National Conference of Black Mayors Adopt a City Initiative

The Mayor brought the Black Mayors *Adopt a City Initiative* to the table. She asked the Council if they would like to talk about this in January. There was discussion on what types of things they would be looking for. She said it is about reequipping the cities. Council requested more information on the program. This item will be on the January 2006 Worksession Roundtable.

#### Collection of Leaves in Gutters

Councilmember Crichton requested discussion of the City collecting of leaves in the gutters. He suggested more communication to the citizens that they are responsible for collecting leaves. There was discussion of what other cities do. Staff will look at increasing communication (I.e. utility bill message).

#### US Conference of Mayors “Financial Literacy” Program

The Mayor talked about the USCM “Financial Literacy” Program for Children. She said she is going to join the program (dollar wise campaign). She asked if the other Councilmembers would be interested. The Mayor said she will be talking with the Chamber and School District and will invite them to join the program if they are interested.

#### Reports on Advisory Boards & External Organizations

##### **Councilmember Daly:**

- Burnsville Medical Alliance next meeting in January

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#### **Councilmember Crichton:**

- Fire Muster has selected new board
  - Crichton is no longer on the board
  - Discussion of Crichton remaining as liaison will be at the January All-Day Worksession
- Multi-Family Housing Work Group discussed the new rental licensing ordinance

#### **Councilmember Workman:**

- I-35W Solutions Alliance last meeting featured speaker Ron Erhart

#### **Mayor Kautz**

- MVTA opened Eagan bus garage
- MLC meeting next month
- STA gearing up for legislative session
- THE GARAGE board continues to work on expansion plans

### **ITEM 3. MISCELLANEOUS**

Councilmember Workman asked about regulations regarding dangerous dogs. She asked if certain species are banned and would like discussion. Staff will research what is in place and report to the Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Susan P. Olesen, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council of the City of Burnsville this 21st day of November 2005.

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Elizabeth B. Kautz, Mayor