

Council Workshop
Monday, January 10th, 2022
Council Chambers
Rolla City Hall, 901 N. Elm St., Rolla, MO
5:30 pm

Councilmembers Present: Moriah Renaud, Terry Higgins, Megan Johnson, Ann Murphey, Matt Fridley, Jodi Eberly, Robert Kessinger, Stanley Mayberry, and Victoria Steen

Absent: Carrolyn Bolin, Lister Florence, and Deanne Lyons

Other City Officials Present: Mayor Louis J Magdits IV, City Administrator John Butz, City Engineer Darin Pryor, Police Chief Sean Fagan, Centre Recreation Director Marcie Fairbanks, and Fire Chief Ron Smith

Other City Officials Present via Zoom: Parks Director Floyd Jernigan

At 5:30pm Mayor Magdits called the workshop to order and gave a brief introduction to government accounting verses private sector accounting as well as an introduction to the General Fund. Mr. Magdits then turned the meeting over to the City Administrator John Butz.

A. Review of the updated 10 Year Sustainability.

City Administrator John Butz presented the updated Ten Year Sustainability of the General Fund. The General Fund Expenditures budgeted for 2022 totaled \$14,573,368 with budgeted revenues totaling \$14,359,238. Public Safety makes up 71.3% of the General Fund. The current sales tax rate in Rolla is 7.6% (+1% in Special Taxing Districts). The current Rolla City sales tax rate is 2.25% with one cent going to the General Fund, ½ cent going to Transportation, ½ cent going to capital improvement and ¼ cent going to the Park Fund, (1/16 of which will sunset in October of 2023). Sources of current revenue and an explanation of those that were declining were discussed. Two Models were presented to Council, forecasting General Fund spending over the next 10 years based on different assumptions. Discussions were then reviewed of future spending cuts (including manpower) or additional revenue enhancement. After discussion a majority of Council present said they would be willing to appeal to our Legislators about special legislation in the 2022 MO Legislative Session to give us the opportunity to submit such a sales tax to voters after 2022.

B. Review budgetary implications of ARPA funding.

The City of Rolla will receive \$4,122,681 (+/-) in ARPA funding. Mr. Butz discussed the evolving rules pertaining to what cities may and may not apply the ARPA funds toward as well as the current spending priorities and rationale and how those priorities mirror the Statement of Principle/Policy set forth by the Fiscal Advisory committee.

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:36pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by City Clerk, Lorri Thurman.

Mayor, Louis J Magdits IV

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