

**MINUTES  
DAYTON CITY COUNCIL  
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING  
MAY 19, 2025**

**PRESENT:** Council President Drew Hildebrandt  
Councilor Kitty Mackin  
Councilor Jim Maguire  
Councilor Robin Pederson  
Councilor Chris Teichroew  
Angie Gonzalez  
Daniel Holbrook  
Steve Hopper

**ABSENT:** Mayor Annette Frank  
Councilor Luke Wildhaber

**STAFF:** Jeremy Caudle, City Manager  
Rocio Vargas, City Recorder  
Dave Rucklos, Tourism & Economic Development Director  
Don Cutler, Public Works Supervisor  
Cyndi Park, Library Director  
DeAnna Ball-Karb, Finance Director

**A. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Budget Committee Chair Daniel Holbrook called the meeting to order at 6:31pm and all those present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Rocio Vargas, City Recorder did roll call and noted Budget Committee members Gonzalez, Holbrook, Hopper, Councilors Hildebrandt, Mackin, Pederson, and Teichroew were present in person. Councilor Maguire was present via Zoom. Mayor Frank and Councilor Wildhaber absences are excused.

**C. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS**

None.

**D. DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED 2025/2026 BUDGET**

Chair Holbrook read a letter from Mayor Frank into the record.

Jeremy Caudle, City Manager, gave a presentation.

There was a discussion about the different options of cuts necessary to meet the general fund requirements. Some Council members opposed staff or benefit cuts.

Fireworks Show funding sources were discussed. It was clarified that the fireworks show is donation funded and does not affect the general fund.

There was a discussion on reduction of staff or benefits. Other ideas to avoid reduction of staff or benefits were discussed.

**JIM MAGUIRE MOVED TO ELIMINATE THE PART-TIME LIBRARY ASSISTANT POSITION. SECONDED BY KITTY MACKIN.** Motion failed. Holbrook, Hopper, Maguire, Mackin and Teichroew voted aye. Gonzalez, Hildebrandt, and Pederson voted nay.

Any motion requires a majority of the total budget committee, in this case 8 votes carries a majority of the budget committee, so any motion will require a unanimous vote.

**DANIEL HOLBROOK MOVED TO DIRECT STAFF TO ADJUST HOURS OF THE LIBRARY ASSISTANT TO MEET THE SAVINGS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN TWO MONTHS' EXPENDITURES. SECONDED BY STEVE HOPPER.** Motion carried with Gonzalez, Hildebrandt, Holbrook, Hopper, Mackin, Maguire, Pederson, and Teichroew voting aye. Mayor Frank and Councilor Wildhaber were absent.

There was a discussion on the cost of having the community center open full time and the option of closing it temporarily, while honoring the current reservations.

**ROBIN PEDERSON MOVED TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE THE PALMER CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER WHILE HONORING CURRENT RESERVATIONS. SECONDED BY JIM MAGUIRE.** Motion carried with Gonzalez, Hildebrandt, Holbrook, Hopper, Mackin, Maguire, Pederson, and Teichroew voting aye. Mayor Frank and Councilor Wildhaber were absent.

All proposed fees and rates were presented and discussed. Public Safety fee of \$6.25/month will cover the short fall to the Local Option Levy to cover the rising cost of the YCSO contract. Stormwater fee of \$2.32/month will start a new stormwater fund to pay a debt service to replace a collapsed stormwater pipe, once paid the fee will be a savings for future stormwater infrastructure.

Water rate increase of 5% variable or a 19% to the base rate. Sewer rate increase of 19% or restructuring the sewer rate methodology based on the resent sewer rate study.

**ROBIN PEDERSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE NEW PUBLIC SAFETY FEE OF \$6.25, STORMWATER FEE OF \$2.32, AND INCREASE WATER AND SEWER RATES. SECONDED BY DREW HILDEBRANDT.** Motion carried with Gonzalez, Hildebrandt, Holbrook, Hopper, Mackin, Maguire, Pederson, and Teichroew voting aye. Mayor Frank and Councilor Wildhaber were absent.

The proceeds of the Dayton Village sale were discussed.

**DREW HILDEBRANDT MOVED TO KEEP THE PROCEEDS OF THE DAYTON VILLAGE SALE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$308,515 IN THE BUILDING RESERVE FUND. SECONDED BY CHRIS TEICHROEW.** Motion carried with Gonzalez, Hildebrandt, Holbrook, Hopper, Mackin, Maguire, Pederson, and Teichroew voting aye. Mayor Frank and Councilor Wildhaber were absent.

Funding for LOC conferences was requested by Councilor Mackin. Budget committee discussed other line items that could be reallocated to cover for city council training expenses. The allocation to the DCDA was discussed there were two, line items to the DCDA and DCDA Friday Nights.

Attention was brought to the committee to include maintenance of the Utility Footbridge and the telemetry at McDougall wells. Budget Committee discussed options.

Conclusion the \$2,500 that was dedicated for the DCDA will be reallocated to the City Council Training line item, reserves were allocated for the maintenance of the bridge, and to fund the McDougall telemetry.

#### **E. MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2025/2026 BUDGET**

**DREW HILDEBRANDT MOVED TO TABLE ITEM E TO THE MAY 27, 2025, BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING. SECONDED BY ANGIE GONZALEZ.** Motion carried with Gonzalez, Hildebrandt, Holbrook, Hopper, Mackin, Maguire, Pederson, and Teichroew voting aye. Mayor Frank and Councilor Wildhaber were absent.

**F. MOTION TO APPROVE TAXES FOR THE 2025/2026 FISCAL YEAR**

**DREW HILDEBRANDT MOVED TO APPROVE THE TAXES FOR THE 2025/2026 FISCAL YEAR, AT THE RATE OF \$1.7057 PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUE FOR OPERATING PURPOSES IN THE GENERAL FUND. SECONDED BY CHRIS TEICHROEW.** Motion carried with Gonzalez, Hildebrandt, Holbrook, Hopper, Mackin, Maguire, Pederson, and Teichroew voting aye. Mayor Frank and Councilor Wildhaber were absent.

**DREW HILDEBRANDT MOVED TO APPROVE TAXES \$1.85 PER \$1,000 ASSESSED VALUE FOR OPERATING PURPOSES IN THE LOCAL OPTION TAX FUND. SECONDED BY KITTY MACKIN.** Motion carried with Gonzalez, Hildebrandt, Holbrook, Hopper, Mackin, Maguire, Pederson, and Teichroew voting aye. Mayor Frank and Councilor Wildhaber were absent.

**G. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.

Respectfully submitted:

By: Rocio Vargas, City Recorder