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Financial Advisory Commission Minutes

Tuesday, April 17, 2012, 6.30pm Blue Room, 1920 S Germantown Rd

Members Present: Ald. Mark Billingsley, Mike Agee, Sudhir Agrawal, Eddie Cox, Chairman Clint Hardin,

> Russell Johnson, Mark Kooker, Walter Krug, Sidney Kuehn, Howard Lasley, Frank Markus, Julius Moody, Ron Sklar, Harold Steinberg, Paul Volpe, Richard Wagoner, Jeff Weesner,

Brian White and Leslie Wolfgang

Members Absent: Vincent Correale, Sharon Hammer, Thomas Harrison, Frederick Miller and Armando Quinn

Staff Present: George Brogdon, Kristen Geiger, Ralph Gabb, Michael Stoll, Tania Moskalenko, Adrienne

Royals and Sherry Rowell

Others: Marty Reagan

Kristen Geiger introduced new member Sidney Kuehn to the Commission.

Call to Order

Chairman Hardin called the April 17, 2012 Financial Advisory Commission meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

Roll Call & Introduction

Chairman Hardin called roll and announced a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Hardin called for approval of the minutes from the March 20, 2012 FAC meeting.

MOTION

Richard Wagoner moved to approve the minutes from the March 20, 2012 FAC meeting. Howard Lasley seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Review of FY13 Expenditure Projections for the General Fund

Kristen Geiger started her presentation stating that the General Fund is the primary Fund of the City, funding all the major services of the City along with any other deficits or operational needs of any of the Funds the City has. Some services that include:

- Police & Fire
- Building, Parks and Street Maintenance
- Recreational Activities
- Performing Arts & Community Grants
- **Neighborhood Services**
- City Planning & Engineering
- Court & Library Services
- Finance and General Administration
- Capital Financing and Debt Service

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Review of FY13 Expenditure Projections for the General Fund (Cont'd)

FY13 highlights:

- No Change to Property Tax Rate,
- Net Staffing Change 7 positions (3 Dispatchers, IT Director, Data Analyst, Fire EMS Coordinator and a potential EDC Director)
- 3% Merit Increase
- New Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) for all public safety
- Opening Farm at Bobby Lanier Park
- Baseball Field Grading Cameron Brown Park
- New Scoreboards at all fields
- Cameras at Greenway Trials
- Expansion of internet service and Cloud hosted email
- 12 new squad cars
- GPS on all City cars and trucks
- Expansion of Special Needs Recreation Programming
- New Holiday Tree and decorations
- "Screen on the Green"
- Lighting improvements at Soccerplex
- Opening of 911 Backup Center
- Advancing the Emergency Management Program
- New Fleet Services Maintenance Shop
- Defibrillators

Ms. Geiger stated that the General Fund is projecting \$40,455,599 in expenses which is a 2.2% increase over FY12 Estimate, and up 4% from FY12 Budget. Ms. Geiger then referred back to the power point and spoke about each expenditure in detail.

General	FY11	FY12	FY12		FY13
Government	ACTUAL	BUDGET	EST	% var	BUDGET
Aldermen	\$ 172,664	\$ 172,575	\$ 244,255	-5.3%	\$ 231,312
Civic Support	299,078	-	-		-
City Court	599,685	618,400	619,130	5.9%	655,529
Administration	1,627,295	1,591,846	1,707,545	-3.9%	1,640,237
GPAC	1,005,716	981,664	1,072,441	-2.3%	1,047,337
Information Technology	995,780	1,232,973	1,311,629	6.6%	1,398,783
Human Resources	722,761	693,671	771,221	-9.5%	697,764
Finance	1,430,319	1,422,095	1,475,947	3.9%	1,533,185
Community Development	1,993,034	1,807,217	1,923,469	3.0%	1,981,220
Facilities Services	1,360,868	1,485,931	1,562,030	3.2%	1,612,724
Research & Budget	 272,681	297,243	278,891	1.2%	 275,472
	\$ 10,479,881	\$ 10,303,613	\$ 10,966,558	_ 1.0%	\$ 11,073,563

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Review of FY13 Expenditure Projections for the General Fund (Cont'd)

		FY11	FY12	FY12			FY13
Public Safety		ACTUAL	BUDGET	EST	% var		BUDGET
Police	\$	9,797,471	\$ 10,257,136	\$ 10,742,572	3.2%	\$	11,091,482
Fire		7,458,971	7,393,784	8,053,216	-1.7%		7,917,192
	<u>\$</u>	17,256,442	\$ 17,650,920	\$ 18,795,788	= 1.1%	<u>\$</u>	19,008,674
Community		FY11	FY12	FY12			FY13
Services		ACTUAL	BUDGET	EST	% var		BUDGET
Parks & Recreation	\$	1,165,966	\$ 1,285,070	\$ 1,329,343	13.6%		1,509,673
Genealogy Center		66,035	68,580	64,937	5.6%		68,580
Library Services		1,352,205	1,374,571	1,356,013	4.6%		1,418,752
Cultural Arts Programs		47,434	82,327	72,300	_ 39.1%		100,587
	<u>\$</u>	2,631,640	\$ 2,810,548	\$ 2,822,593	9.7%	<u>\$</u>	3,097,592
Transportation &		FY11	FY12	FY12			FY13
Environment		ACTUAL	BUDGET	EST	% var		BUDGET
Public Services	\$	3,553,043	\$ 3,830,802	\$ 4,009,363	1.0%	\$	4,049,158
Animal Control		285,146	292,004	325,330	_ 5.3%		342,470
	<u>\$</u>	3,838,189	\$ 4,122,806	\$ 4,334,693	_ 1.3%	\$	4,391,628
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Vehicles Total	-	\$	55,000
	-	\$	165,000
Public Safety IRP Air Handler – Police Defibrillators In –Car Video Systems	- - -	\$	100,000 99,000 60,000
Fleet Vehicles (12)	-	\$	385,000
Admin Vehicles (2)	-		63,000
Total	-		707,000

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Community Services IRP

 Scoreboard
 \$ 37,000

 Trail Security Camera
 \$ 9,000

 Holiday Tree
 \$ 40,000

 Cameron Brown Ballfields
 \$ 200,000

 Projector
 \$ 18,000

 Vehicle
 \$ 28,000

 Total
 \$ 332,000

Transportation & Environment IRP

Z-Track Mover - \$ 16,000 Vehicle - \$ 30,000 **Total - \$ 46,000**

A discussion ensued. Ms. Geiger asked if there were any further questions. Alderman Billingsley stated that at the Aldermen cannot get together because of the Sunshine Law and can only converse when at called meetings, so when there is an issue or concern that comes up, the Board members have to come in and meet individually with staff members to try to resolve the issue. One of these meetings was regarding a request from IRIS to consider funding their group for \$100,000. All of the Aldermen have been contacted and Alderman Billingsley stated that he had spoken to Ms. Geiger prior to that evenings FAC meeting and he wanted to make sure that everyone was aware that the \$100,000 that IRIS has requested is not in the Performing Arts Centre Budget. Alderman Billingsley introduced Tania Moskalenko from GPAC who in turn introduced Marty Reagan, Chairman of IRIS, to speak regarding the IRIS orchestra and the request to fund \$100,000 for IRIS. Mr. Reagan stated that the IRIS Orchestra works in partnership with the GPAC and presents at GPAC. He stated that IRIS has been very successful in bringing in leverage dollars to IRIS which in turn helps the community and has been very fortunate in having numerous high dollar investors for the next four years. The investors have issued a challenge for the City. If the City would support giving \$100,000 a year for three years, then the investors would commit to raising the balance of the money. Tania stated that GPAC and IRIS separated about four years ago, with GPAC not being responsible for fundraising on behalf of IRIS at that point. Mr. Reagan also stated that if the City did not support this request that IRIS could dissolve.

Ms. Geiger said that the request for funding of \$100,000 for the next season for the IRIS foundation was presented to the GPAC Foundation earlier this calendar year and after much deliberation the Board of Directors of the GPAC Foundation denied the funding of the \$100,000. Noting that this issue was being brought before the FAC to see if they would recommend or deny the funding. She stated that the Admistration for the City of Germantown received the request for the \$100,000 funding. She went on to explain that unfortunately Patrick Lawton was unable to attend tonight's FAC meeting due to other commitments but that he had directed Ms. Geiger to inform the FAC that Administration does not recommend funding the \$100,000 at this time.

A discussion ensued regarding GPAC and IRIS and the funding request.

Ms. Geiger stated that the agreement between the City and the GPAC Foundation, which is reported as a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, is that if GPAC is not able to fundraise enough to meet their commitments then the City would be financially responsible for that foundation. Ms. Geiger also reiterated Mr. Lawton's statement that City Administration did not support the recommendation to fund the \$100,000.

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Chairman Hardin called for recommending that the BMA approve the request to add \$100,000 to GPAC FY13 budget earmarked for IRIS"

The voting was as follows:

Name	Yes	No
Mike Agee		X
Sudhir Agrawal	X	
Vincent Correale	Excused	
Eddie Cox		X
Sharon Hammer	Excused	
Clinton Hardin		X
Thomas Harrison	Excused	
Russell Johnson		X
Mark Kooker	X	
Walter Krug	X	
Sidney Kuehn	X	
Howard Lasley		X
Frank Markus		X
Frederick Miller	Excused	
Julius Moody	X	
Armando Quinn	Excused	
Ron Sklar	X	
Harold Steinberg	X	
Paul Volpe		X
Richard Wagoner		X
Jeff Weesner	X	
Brian White		X
Leslie Wolfgang	X	
Ald Billingsley	X	

The voting was cast 10/9.

Chairman Hardin then called for approval of the General Fund as presented.

MOTION

Richard Wagoner moved to approve the General Fund as presented. Howard Lasley seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Hearing no further business Chairman Hardin called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION

Julius Moody moved to approve the motion. Richard Wagoner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.