
City of Grand Island



Thursday, August 12, 2010
Budget Meeting Packet

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7:00:00 PM
Council Chambers - City Hall
100 East First Street

Call to Order

This is an open meeting of the Grand Island City Council. The City of Grand Island abides by the Open Meetings Act in conducting business. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is displayed in the back of this room as required by state law.

The City Council may vote to go into Closed Session on any agenda item as allowed by state law.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

A - SUBMITTAL OF REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

Individuals who have appropriate items for City Council consideration should complete the Request for Future Agenda Items form located at the Information Booth. If the issue can be handled administratively without Council action, notification will be provided. If the item is scheduled for a meeting or study session, notification of the date will be given.

B - RESERVE TIME TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS

This is an opportunity for individuals wishing to provide input on any of tonight's agenda items to reserve time to speak. Please come forward, state your name and address, and the Agenda topic on which you will be speaking.

MAYOR COMMUNICATION

This is an opportunity for the Mayor to comment on current events, activities, and issues of interest to the community.



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Item E1

**Public Hearing on Proposed FY 2010-2011 City Single Budget
(Continued)**

Staff Contact: Mary Lou Brown

Council Agenda Memo

From: Mary Lou Brown, Finance Director

Meeting: August 12, 2010

Subject: Public Hearing for FY 2010-2011 Single City Budget

Item #'s: E-1

Presenter(s): Mary Lou Brown, Finance Director

Background

The budget process for the City of Grand Island begins early in the year with the internal budget compilation and culminates with the submittal of the final budget to the State Auditor in September. This year marked the formal implementation of Program Prioritization which provided a framework within which budget allocations were driven and decisions made. Following are accomplishments that have occurred:

- Departments received target appropriation amounts and submitted proposed 2010-2011 budgets that reflected both the program prioritizations and appropriation targets.
- Proposed budgets were reviewed with each department by City Administration.
- City Council conducted a public hearing and approved the Solid Waste Agency Budget on July 13, 2010.

In the past, other budget related items such as FTE requests and Fee Schedule changes would have been studied and approved prior to the Budget review and approval. With Program Prioritization, all of the budget items are interrelated and will be reviewed and approved along with the 2010-2011 Budget.

Discussion

At the Special Council meeting on August 3, 2010, the City Council is asked to conduct a public hearing on the proposed budget to allow for public input. Budget discussions will begin following the public hearing on August 3, 2010 and continue on August 5, 2010. On August 10, 2010, the Council will be asked to make determination on the budget or set further meetings to move toward determination.

In order to meet the State filing regulations and to have a 15 day window between the budget approval and the effective date, the latest the budget approval can take place is September 7, 2010.

Recommendation

The Council is asked to conduct the public hearing and take information from the citizens. After conducting the hearing, it is recommended that the City Council take the information under advisement and begin deliberations regarding the City's 2010-2011 fiscal year budget.

The budget transmittal letter, a "Budget in Brief", and draft documents of the budget were provided to Council in early July. If any further information is needed, please contact City Administration.



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Item X

Review and Approval of Proposed FY 2010/2011 City Single Budget (Continued)

The City Council will continue the discussion and review of the Proposed FY 2010/2011 City Single Budget from the Special (Budget) Meeting held on August 3rd, 5th and 10th. Additional Budget meetings will be held as needed.

Staff Contact: Jeff Pederson