



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 08, 2006

Council Session

## Item E5

**Public Hearing on Proposed FY 2006-2007 City Single Budget**

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# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Dave Springer, Finance Director

**Meeting:** August 8, 2006

**Subject:** Public Hearing for FY 2006-2007 Single City Budget

**Item #'s:** E-5

**Presenter(s):** Dave Springer, Finance Director

## **Background**

The budget process for the City of Grand Island begins in April with internal budget compilation and culminates with the submittal of the final budget to the State Auditor in September. Following are accomplishments that have occurred:

- \* Departments reviewed their current budgets and submitted 2006-2007 budget requests.
- \* Outside Agencies were contacted to submit their budget requests for next year.
- \* Requests were reviewed with each department by City Administration.
- \* 2006-2007 budgets were adjusted to promote efficiencies and effectiveness.
- \* Board review and approval took place for Business Improvement Districts, CRA, and Solid Waste Agency.
- \* On June 20<sup>th</sup>, the City Council conducted a Study Session to review the proposed Fee Schedule, FTE requests and funding of Outside Agencies.
- \* On July 11<sup>th</sup>, the City Council approved FTE Schedule, Outside Agency funding, and the 2006-2007 User Fee Schedule (except for utilities)
- \* On July 25, the City Council conducted a public hearing and approved the Solid Waste Agency Budget and the budgets for Business Improvement Districts #3, #4, and #5

## **Discussion**

At the August 8<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting, the City Council is asked to conduct a public hearing on the proposed budget to allow for public input. The public hearing will be followed up by a Special Budget meeting on August 15<sup>th</sup>, where council will be able to ask questions and respond to information concerning the proposed budget and public input. At the August 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Council will be asked to make determination on the budget or set further meetings to move toward determination.

Future steps concerning the budget include:

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| August 15, 2006    | Special Budget meeting   |
| August 22, 2006    | Approve Fee Schedule for Utilities<br>Adopt budget and approve lid limit increase  |
| September 12, 2006 | Board of Equalization for BID's<br>Public hearing on General Property, Parking District #2, and<br>CRA tax request<br>Set Business Improvement District Assessments<br>Establish Parking District #1 occupation tax request<br>Establish property tax requests for General Property, Parking<br>District #2, and CRA |
| September 20, 2006 | Submit Budget to State Auditor   |

### **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 for further discussion at the August 15<sup>th</sup> Special Budget Session

The budget transmittal letter, a Budget in Brief', and a draft document of the budget has been provided to Council on August 4<sup>th</sup>. If any further information is needed, please contact City Administration.