CITY OF FIRCREST SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 31, 2017 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS FIRCREST CITY HALL, 115 RAMSDELL STREET

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Matthew Jolibois called the special meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led the pledge of allegiance. Councilmembers Blake Surina, Shannon Reynolds, Brett Wittner, Hunter T. George, Denny Waltier, and Jason Medley were present.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were none.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDED PRELIMINARY 2018 BUDGET

Interim City Manager Johnston led the discussion on the preliminary City Manager recommended 2018 budget. Johnston stated that he had collected input from each City department and is now ready to receive Council feedback, which will feed into the 2018 budget. Johnston indicated that the budget will assume a 3% CPI for inflationary purposes and commended the City for developing dedicated funds for capital programs over the years. Johnston referred to a handout staff prepared for the Council containing information regarding placing a bond measure for 2018 as well as a press release that was issued regarding the excessive heat warning during the week of August 1st and the availability of cooling rooms at the Roy H. Murphy Community Center. Referencing a handout prepared by staff, Johnston briefed the Council on staff recommended preliminary 2018 new budget items, which included department items from Administration, Legislative, Court, non-departmental, Personnel, Police, Planning, and Recreation. After some discussion, there was a general consensus from Council to move forward with the majority of the preliminary budget items, and to pursue the following:

- Johnston to solicit the assistance from the Prothman Company to assess an appropriate level of compensation for the City Manager position.
- City to absorb all credit card transactions fees the first year and reassess for a possible readjustment the following year.
- Prioritizing needs to ensure they are supported by revenues.

Johnston briefed the Council on the proposed capital budget items, which are based on Council approved capital schedules and plans, that included items in the General Fund, Street Fund, Storm Drain Fund, Sewer Fund, Water Fund, and Equipment Rental and Replacement Fund. Johnston included \$2,000,000 as an estimate for the cost of the replacement of the Fircrest pool and recommended the Council consider debt financing as it helps address the time-sensitive maintenance issues of the pool.

The Council submitted the following items for staff investigation: online registration system, push email notification system, meeting management software programs, contracting court services, strategic partnerships to pool resources in order to minimize costs, interdepartmental

resource sharing, rental business licenses, portable HD cameras, and street beautification and heritage corridor designation.

ADJOURNMENT

Reynolds <u>Moved</u> to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 P.M., seconded by Wittner. <u>The Motion</u> Carried Unanimously.

Matthew Jolibois, Mayor

Jessica Nappi, City Clerk