

Budget Workshop of December 13, 2016

Present were: Mayor Neal, Councilmembers Koepke, McElheran and Hart.

Absent: Councilmember Naillon.

Budget workshop began at 6:35 pm.

Final draft of the 2017 Budget was presented to Mayor Neal and Councilmembers. Budget adoption ordinance will be presented for approval during the December 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Chris Branch was present to discuss the Community Development Department budget regarding options for filling his position when he takes office as a County Commissioner January 1<sup>st</sup>. Projects needing completion that Branch would like to see through are: Airport Runway Relocation, EDA Grant for the Road Relocation, Lease Agreement with the Eco Fiber Mill at the Industrial Park and the DOH Grant for the East Lake Water Association feasibility study. Branch discussed how the potential lease for the Eco Fiber Mill has caused red flags with the FAA for the Runway Relocation project. Branch discussed options for addressing his position. Mayor Neal stated that the personnel committee will need to meet to determine how the City will address the position; Mayor Neal to set up a meeting with Naillon and McElheran.

Budget Workshop ended at 7:20 pm.

Budget Workshop Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

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Clerk