

Budget Workshop of October 24, 2023

Present were: Mayor Naillon, Councilmembers Shaw, Marthaller, Werner and Hart.

Absent: Councilmember Moser.

Budget workshop began at 6:30 pm.

Clerk Denney provided the Mayor, Council and Staff with the 2024 DRAFT budget, which needed to be adjusted in current expense, a budget summary comparison worksheet from 2016 to 2024 draft and a copy of the employee benefits worksheet.

Review of departments within the current expense fund. Discussion on the specific line items of the police department budget for adjustment. Police Department to remain at 5 officers and council approved the lease of one additional patrol car.

Discussion on wages and benefits. The council approved a 3% wage increase for department heads, a \$1.00 increase for employees and the City will cover 100% of the medical, vision, life, LTD and dental for the employee and continue with the 80%/20% split on spouse/children.

Discussion on hotel/motel tax requests; requests approved as applied for.

Councilman Marthaller stated that he received a compliment on the reservation system for Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park.

The preliminary budget hearing will be held during the November 21st City Council meeting, an additional budget hearing will be held during the December 5th meeting and the budget will be adopted during the December 19th meeting.

Budget Workshop ended at 7:45 pm.

Budget Workshop Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk