

SPECIAL FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 24, 2003

Members of Finance Committee present: William Hills, Mel Clemens, Eric Gilbert. Sarah Cannella was absent.

Other members of Council present: Ron Stake, Lane Beougher (present at 6:55 p.m.). Councilman Jim Wade and Council President Bradley L. McCloud were absent.

Mr. Hills: I'll call the special Finance Committee meeting to order at 6:54. We'll open tonight with Discussion, 2004 Appropriation which was held on 11-17-03. Members of Finance and members of Council, I do think everybody's received a copy of at least a partial list of questions. I don't know if all the members have sent their questions to the Clerk yet to be sent up for Administration. As of right now we don't have responses back. I know, Mayor do you have any responses for tonight? Or are we still working on them?

Mayor McPherson: We're still working on them. We should have them by the end of the week. We've got most of them in, it's just a matter of putting them formatted now to get question to question.

Mr. Hills: Okay. Does anyone have any specific questions for the Mayor this evening? (No response). Anybody not on Finance have any specific questions for the Mayor? (No response). Well, it would seem like we're, Mayor do you have anything you want to address Council with this evening?

Mayor McPherson: No. We're just working on the questions. Like I said, I think we have most of the answers. We just have to now put them in a format that we can respond.

Mr. Hills: Okay.

Mayor McPherson: And we'll have those by the end of the week.

Mr. Hills: Okay.

Mayor McPherson: I'm just passing out some papers.

Mr. Hills: I would like to note then for members of Finance and for everyone on Council, please take a look and you'll notice we did get our updated sheets on 11-17. That makes that margin a little bit closer than it was before, and I do think that we can anticipate, Mayor correct me if I'm not right, you are anticipating some additional expenditures in '04 that you're in the middle of working on or working through now? And I think Mr. Whitney's also looking at ways that maybe they're going to be covered? So we have in front of us basically, I hate to use the word, but it's basically still a draft of a budget we're going to be working on in '04. And I guess with nothing else to come before Finance then we won't set another special meeting until we know that we've got some things to work with. We've set this one hoping to see some of those questions, but if anyone, in looking through this or when you get your questions out, if it raises additional questions, let's try to

get them answered so in two weeks when we do this again, or in one week, maybe we'll have more questions. And maybe there aren't any questions. Maybe you'll all come in with all the new monies and all the new expenses and it'll all wrap right up.

Mayor McPherson: Perfect budget.

Mr. Hills: Every budget you've done is perfect. Every budget that is completed is a perfect budget. Alright, any questions from anybody on Finance? (No response). Anybody on Council? (No response). If not, I suspect we'll need to adjourn at 6:56, and I apologize for everybody having to come in. Thank you.

Special Finance Committee

- - -Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council

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