

City of Othello
City Council Workshop
October 27, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Shawn Logan called the budget workshop to order at 8:29 p.m.

Present: Mayor Shawn Logan; Councilmembers: Eugene Bain, Corey Everett, Genna Dorow, Angel Garza, Kenneth Johnson, John Lallas, and Mark Snyder.

Also Present: City Administrator Wade Farris; Department Heads: Public Works employee Dan Quick, Police Chief Phil Schenck, Finance Officer Spencer Williams, and City Clerk Debbie Kudrna.

Mayor recommended \$25,000 annually for ADA compliance. He advised this is the time to finalize the details of the 2015 budget.

DESCRIPTION OF CITY'S FUNDS/SOURCES

Finance Officer Spencer Williams advised that during our Council Budget Committees we discussed the detailed budgets and Red Zone (capital request) items. He discussed what the different city funds can pay for and the available dollars in each fund. There was a discussion about the adjacent property owner's financial commitments for the 14th Avenue street improvements.

There was a review of the red zone items from each department.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION ON 2015 BUDGET

Mayor Logan advised that tonight is intended to be an open discussion for Council to talk about their priorities for the New Year. Councilmember Johnson asked about the cost for new restroom in Kiwanis Park. Dan Quick advised that it was a complete package, including security and it is a concrete building. He believes they will have little maintenance on the building. Councilmember Johnson stated that with the new skate park, we will need an additional restroom in Lions Park.

Councilmember Lallas asked if we use the water reserve fund for PW's water line improvements? Mr. Williams advised that we can.

Citizen Tim Wilson asked if 1st Avenue will be included in the street improvement project.

Councilmember Johnson stated that we could discuss this with the Department of Transportation for the street upkeep and maintenance after their intersection reconfiguration.

Mayor Logan asked that Council review the capital projects suggestions and prioritize the projects. These will be discussed at the next Council meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Budget Workshop at 9:45 p.m.

By: _____
SHAWN LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
DEBBIE L. KUDRNA, City Clerk