

**CITY OF OLYMPIA
FINANCE COMMITTEE
Minutes
May 8, 2012**

Members Present: Nathaniel Jones, Karen Rogers and Stephen Buxbaum, Chair

Minutes from April 10, 2012 meeting

Karen Rogers suggested the following changes to the April 10 minutes:

1) Page 1, last paragraph:

On March 13 the City Council approved the Request for Proposal for the 2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$551,000 without social service funding. The Council had asked staff to look for options to replace the funding for social services. Steve Friddle, Community Services Manager, reviewed with the Committee several options for funding. ~~((The Committee did not come to consensus on a funding option))~~ Committee member Buxbaum agreed to option #1, Committee member Rogers agreed to options #2 and #3, and Committee member Jones agreed to options #1 and #2. The Committee asked staff to forward this issue to the full Council for discussion.

2) Page 2, last paragraph:

Following the scheduled items on the agenda, Committee member Rogers ~~((asked when a discussion of the City's asset inventory was scheduled for Finance Committee. Staff had given Committee member Rogers a list of City land acquisitions last fall and she would like it discussed at a future Committee meeting. Chairman Buxbaum said he would look at when to schedule this item))~~ suggested that the Finance Committee discuss the agenda item during May's Finance Committee meeting, and the Committee agreed. Committee member Rogers requested the staff to resend a list of the City's asset inventory to all council members.

These changes will be made to the draft minutes to be considered at the June Committee meeting.

2013 Budget

City Manager Steve Hall presented an overview of balancing the 2012 budget last year. He also noted that any ballot measures for this year's general election must be submitted to the county by August 7, 2012. Dean Walz, Fiscal Services Line of Business Director, shared with the Committee the current status of selected 2012 General Fund revenues through April with the Committee. He also presented projected 2013 General Fund revenues and expenditures. The projection was based on current revenue sources and maintaining the current level of services. Without budget reductions or revenue increases the General Fund budget for 2013 would be \$2.4 million out of balance. Mr. Walz also shared with the Committee the impact to the City of changes made by the legislature relating to State shared liquor revenues. The projected impact to the City is \$40,330 for 2012 and \$124,350 for 2013.

The City Manager shared with the Committee revenue options available to generate new revenues. He presented both revenues which would require voter approval as well as revenue options available to the City not requiring voter approval. The Committee expressed interest in ways the City could assist low income residents if taxes were increased. The Committee asked for additional information related to possible revenue increases including the financial impacts.

The Committee requested that a discussion of 2013 Budget and revenue options be added to the May 15, 2012 Council Agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

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