

1 Minutes of the Centerville **City Council work session** held Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.
2 with participants present electronically via Zoom and streamed on YouTube due to infectious
3 disease COVID-19.

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5 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

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7 Mayor Clark Wilkinson

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9 Council Members Tamilyn Fillmore
10 William Ince
11 Stephanie Ivie
12 George McEwan
13 Robyn Mecham

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15 **STAFF PRESENT**

16 Brant Hanson, City Manager
17 Lisa Romney, City Attorney
18 Jacob Smith, Administrative Services Director
19 Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
20 Paul Child, Centerville Police Chief
21 Jennifer Hansen, Deputy Recorder

22 **DETERMINATION**

23 Mayor Wilkinson read aloud a determination regarding
24 electronic meetings without an anchor location due to
25 COVID-19

26 **FY2022 BUDGET**

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28 Administrative Services Director Jacob Smith showed revenue data for the last few fiscal
29 years, and revenue estimates for FY2022. He showed the estimated cost of a 1.8% market
30 adjustment in City employee compensation, as well as 2% for Department Heads to award based
31 on performance. He proposed implementation of the third and final stage of the Compensation
32 Study initiated by the Council, and reported that medical and dental insurance costs would not
33 change and life insurance costs would go down. Mr. Smith presented a proposed FY2022
34 Administrative Budget, and answered questions from the Council. He showed estimated costs for
35 the 2022 election and fire services, and transfers to non-governmental agencies.

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37 Mr. Smith reviewed a proposed FY2022 RDA Budget with the Council, and discussed
38 possible future use of RDA funds. He and City Manager Brant Hanson explained the suggestion
39 to increase the amount of RDA tax increment used for the City's UTOPIA pledge to free up funds
40 in the General Fund to purchase a majority of the City's capital equipment needs without
41 implementing a property tax increase in FY2022. He expressed the opinion it was too late in the
42 year to begin implementing a property tax increase for FY2022.

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44 Mr. Hanson spoke of potential resources for funding an additional police officer in FY2023.
45 He suggested a property tax increase would be necessary to add the ongoing expense of a police
46 officer. Councilmember Fillmore expressed support for an independent analysis/audit of the
47 Police Department. Chief Child commented that an outside audit would create a lot of work for
48 the Department, but acknowledged the value of independent input. Councilmember Ince
49 expressed a strong desire to attempt to respond to the Chief's request for additional officers. He
50 said he believed the Council needed to at least discuss the possibility of a property tax increase

1 in FY2022. Mr. Hanson spoke of scheduling a budget retreat for in-depth Council discussion of a
2 five-year budget strategy after hiring a Finance Director. Mr. Hanson commented that a budget
3 amendment to fund an additional officer may be possible in the second half of the fiscal year.
4 Councilmember Mecham reminded the Council that Chief Child said he believed his officers would
5 choose a compensation increase over an additional officer. Chief Child said he would be
6 comfortable moving forward with an independent audit and waiting until mid-year to consider an
7 additional officer.

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9 Councilmember Mecham said she would have a hard time supporting a tax increase in
10 FY2022 given the projected sales tax increase and the pandemic-related aid received from the
11 federal government. Councilmember Ivie said she agreed. Councilmember Ince said he believed
12 the Council should at least maintain the property tax percentage from the previous year. The
13 Council discussed the high cost of providing a high-quality level of service. Responding to
14 Councilmember Mecham, Councilmember Fillmore commented that pandemic-related funds
15 were used to pay for pandemic-related expenses. The City had ongoing needs that required an
16 on-going source of funding. Councilmember McEwan said he believed the City should proceed
17 with a Truth in Taxation hearing for FY2022. Councilmember Ince said he agreed. Mr. Hanson
18 and Mr. Smith briefly explained property tax calculation. Mr. Hanson suggested the Council give
19 clear direction to Staff regarding Truth in Taxation at the next Council meeting.

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21 Mr. Smith showed estimated RAP Tax and impact fee revenue for FY2022. He showed a
22 proposed FY2022 Sanitation Fund Budget, and a proposed FY2022 Budget for new Fund 47 for
23 capital projects.

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25 In response to Councilmember Mecham's comments, Mayor Wilkinson requested a report
26 of money the City anticipated saving in FY2022, and where those funds would be spent. The
27 Mayor emphasized a desire to increase the City's reserves.

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29 **ADJOURNMENT**

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31 At 7:40 p.m., Councilmember Ince **moved** to adjourn the work session. Councilmember
32 Ivie seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

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36 Jennifer Hansen, Deputy Recorder

May 4, 2021
Date Approved

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