MINUTES

CITY COMMISSION BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING

OLD CITY HALL, 510 GREENE STREET

TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2012

A budget workshop meeting of the City Commission of the City of Key West, Florida was held in Commission Chambers, Old City Hall, on Tuesday, July 24, 2012.

Vice-Mayor Rossi called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Answering roll call were Commissioners Teri Johnston, Clayton Lopez, Billy Wardlow, Jimmy Weekley, Tony Yaniz and Vice-Mayor Rossi.

Mayor Craig Cates was absent.

Also present were City Manager Jim Scholl, City Manager Bob Vitas, Assistant City Manager David Fernandez, Assistant City Manager Mark Finigan, City Attorney Shawn Smith, Information Technology Director Patti McLauchlin, Budget Analyst Shavawn Yarber, Finance Director Roger Wittenberg, Human Resources Director Sandy Gilbert, Police Chief Donie Lee, Utilities Manager Jay Gewin, Parking Manager John Wilkins, Port and Transit Director Jim Fitton, Senior Property Manager Marilyn Wilbarger, Key West Bight Operations Manager John Paul Castro, Garrison Bight Marina Supervisor David Hawthorne, DOT Manager Myra Wittenberg, DOT Project and Grants Manager Carolyn Haia and Senior Deputy City Clerk Sue Harrison.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was given by all present.

PRESENTATION OF GENERAL FUNDS FY 12-13

City Manager Jim Scholl introduced Utilities Manager Jay Gewin.

Utilities Manager Jay Gewin presented the Solid Waste Fund and introduced Dan Anderson of CDM Smith the solid waste rate model consultant.

Mr. Gewin then introduced John Mastracchio from Malcolm Pirnie, who presented the Sewer Rate Study Update and Stormwater Rate Study Update.

The consensus of the Commission was to increase the solid waste rate by 2%, and recommended setting a workshop specifically on recycling and to approve a part time position for a Recycling Coordinator.

The morning presentations concluded at 11:03 a.m. and recessed until 1:30 p.m.

The afternoon session reconvened at 1:33 p.m. and Mayor Cates called the meeting to order.

Answering roll call were Commissioners Teri Johnston, Mark Rossi, Billy Wardlow, Jimmy Weekley, Tony Yaniz and Mayor Cates. Commissioner Clayton Lopez arrived at 1:35 p.m.

City Manager Jim Scholl provided a brief recap on salaries from the previous day's meeting.

Assistant City Manager Mark Finigan spoke briefly about HARC Application Fees and the Commission was informed that any changes would be adopted by ordinance.

Mr. Finigan presented staff's recommended millage rate of 2% over calculated roll back or 2.9185. The Commission heard other proposals before setting the rate.

Program funding for non-profit organizations such as the Boys and Girls Club, Idle Hands and SHAL were discussed. Wendy Coles and Roger McVey from SHAL answered questions from the Commission.

Property Manager Marilyn Wilbarger presented the Garrison Bight Budget.

After further discussion the Commission recommended establishment of a tentative ad valorem millage rate at 5% over roll-back, or 3.004 assessed taxable value.

It was determined that the remainder of the budget items would be heard at a date to be determined in August.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Robert Lane, Garrison Bight Virginia Panico, Key West Chamber of Commerce

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the Mayor Cates adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

Cheryl Smith, MMØ, CPM

City Clerk