

# **AGENDA**

## **Hood River Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee Meeting Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget**

**Wednesday, May 9, 2018  
City Council Chambers, 211 Second St.  
The meeting will begin no earlier than 6:00 p.m**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ELECT COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 10, 2017 Pages 2-4
4. BUDGET PRESENTATION
  - a. Budget Message
  - b. Columbia Cascades District
  - c. Waterfront District
  - d. The Heights District
5. PUBLIC COMMENT
6. FINAL DELIBERATIONS
7. APPROVE FY 2018-19 BUDGET  
Suggested Motion: “I move to approve the proposed FY 2018-19 budget as submitted by the Budget Officer.”
8. REQUEST TAX INCREMENT REVENUES  
Suggested Motion: “I move that the Columbia Cascade Plan Area, Hood River Waterfront Plan Area, and Heights District Plan Area request the maximum amount of revenue that may be raised by dividing the taxes under Section 1c, Article IX, of the Oregon Constitution and ORS Chapter 457, as applicable, for the FY 2018-19 fiscal year.
9. ADJORN

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Budget Committee Meeting  
Fiscal Year 2017/18 Budget**

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Present: Paul Blackburn, Kate McBride, Susan Johnson, Peter Cornelison, Pat McAllister, Kelly Emerson, Patricia Gates, Grant Polson, Megan Saunders

Staff: Urban Renewal Administrator Steve Wheeler, Finance Director/CMA Will Norris, Public Works Director Mark Lago, City Recorder Jennifer Gray

Absent: Jack Trumbull, Hoby Streich, Jon Davies, Mark Zanmiller, Becky Brun, Abby Capovilla, Jody Behr

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.
2. ELECT COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON  
Blackburn moved to nominate McAllister as Chair. McBride second the motion. Motion passed.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 11, 2016  
McBride made a motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2016. Johnson second the motion. – Motion passed.
4. BUDGET PRESENTATION
  - a. Budget Message  
Wheeler presented the budget message. The total URA Budget is \$3,815,525. The debt portion is \$763,450. Urban Renewal finances projects and debt is paid by tax increment financing. The debt can take many forms.  
Wheeler stated they are proposing to hire a part-time contracted employee to work for the year, to assist in various issues in all of the districts; budget cost is \$56,000.
  - b. Columbia Cascades District  
Wheeler stated they will be requesting a motion to include \$24,000 continuation, that is in the FY16/17 budget to be moved to the FY17/18 budget. Those funds would be used for the State Street Restroom art project. There is a contact with Art of Community and an artist has been hired to create the art piece. So far in the process, only \$1000 has been spent.  
They key issues for the Columbia Cascade District is assessing the possibility of using the remaining debt capacity of \$4.6 million towards affordable housing. One of the tasks for this contracted employee, is to work with Joel Madsen form Mid-Columbia Housing Authority. They want to determine if there is a realistic possibility of using some of that debt capacity for housing in the downtown area.
  - c. Waterfront District  
Wheeler stated there is a total indebtedness of \$575,000. This will be the final year of paying off the debt. Wheeler is anticipating a request from the Port to assist with infrastructure for a large structure that will be built on Lot 1. He would like to keep the \$35,000 for aspirational planning, in the event it is needed.

d. The Heights District

The total indebtedness for the Heights is \$8.4 million. Almost all of that is available since no debt has been created. Wheeler has been working with the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee to schedule two public meeting regarding the Heights Project Plan.

The group reviewed the budget document.

Mayor Blackburn stated one of the challenges in the City is figuring out all of the things they want to do and not slice into too thin of slices. He is in support of having more administrative capacity to help with Urban Renewal tasks. There are some exciting opportunities coming up.

Will reviewed the change for the Columbia Cascade Plan. Increase capital outlay appropriations by \$24,000 for the State Street Art Installation in the Cascade District, decrease budgeted Contingency in the Cascade District by the same amount.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT – none

6. FINAL DELIBERATIONS

7. APPROVE FY 2017-18 BUDGET

Suggested Motion: "I move to approve the proposed FY 2017-18 budget as submitted by the Budget Officer."

Motion: I move to approve the proposed FY 2017-18 budget as submitted by the Budget Officer as amended to increase capital outlay appropriations by \$24,000 for the State Street Art Installation in the Cascade District, decrease budget contingency in the Cascade District by the same amount.

First: McBride  
Second: Blackburn  
Discussion: None  
Vote: Motion passed

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First: McBride  
Second: Emmerson  
Discussion: None  
Vote: Motion passed

9. ADJORN – 6:48p.m.

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\_\_\_\_\_, Chair

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Jennifer Gray, City Recorder

Approved by Budget Committee on \_\_\_\_\_