



Finance Committee Meeting

Minutes

5 pm, Thursday, February 17, 2022

Via Zoom Meeting ID: 831 9100 5117

Staff: Daniel Barton, J.R. Hichborn, Debra Tierney, Darren Woodland, Danny Curtola, Rodney Dahlberg, and Shayne Hawthorne.

Committee Members: Pati Todd and Michael Alcalay.

Call to order: 5pm

1. Review and approve Minutes from the December 7, 2021 Finance Committee meeting.
Approved.
2. Review and discuss the Preliminary Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District General Fund Budget (336A) for FY 2022-23.
Staff reviews preliminary budget 336A for Committee. Staff notes that there will be an increase in revenue received through a grant applied for by staff and this money will be going toward the walking trail at Swanston. Staff notes that there is also an increase in wages and benefits due to hiring new full-time staff. The Committee recommends changing the colors and formatting of the spreadsheet since it is causing difficulties while trying to understand the budget. Staff explains each column in the budget and agrees to making changes to clarify the spreadsheet.
The Committee inquires what the comparison is to other neighboring districts budgets. Staff explains.
3. Review and discuss the Preliminary Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District Assessment Budget (336B) for FY 2022-23.
Staff reviews preliminary budget 336B for Committee. Staff notes that there will be an increase due to the new landscape services contract and the rise of water services. Staff notes that while the water districts services are going up, staff are applying for rebates to help save the District money.
The Committee recommends staff start researching ways on how to reduce the Districts dependency on water usage. Staff states that after reviewing bills the District receives, the main fees are coming from the water meters in our parks, not the water usage. Staff states that moving forward when it comes to updating and landscaping at parks, they will consider using smaller shrubs, rocks, and bark instead of grass, to cut down on water usage.
The Committee agrees to preliminary budgets 336A and 336B. Staff notes that they will make the recommended changes before bringing the preliminary budget to the Advisory Board.
The Committee applauds staff on the preliminary budget.

Meeting adjourned at 5:37 pm.