Town of Pomona Park, Town Council Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2024

2:00pm

This Meeting was held at Town Hall for Council & Public

Mayor Joseph Svingala presided. Council present were Lynda Linkswiler, CarrieAnn Evans, Patricia Mead, Alisha Kuleski, Town Clerk Andrea Almeida, Finance Officer Jennifer Paul, and Public Works Superintendent Bruce Wolfred

Mayor Joseph Svingala led in the pledge to the flag.

Mayor Svingala opened the workshop.

Bruce Wolfred explained the issues with the septic tank at Mayors Park and is requesting the increase of funds to the budget to total \$12,000.

Council Discussion:

Discussion and Consideration of the Proposed 2024/2025 Budget for all Departments.

The Following was discussed:

The 1-5 cent fund was reviewed with the request of \$50,000. This is for a survey of Dawson, then the addition of millings on Blake, Brooks and Dawson.

Martha Mann reviewed the Beautification Budget.

- 1. Council Salary increase of \$100 a month. Town Clerk let Council know this will not happen this year because it would need to be 90 days out from the election.
- 2. Promotional Activities was added of \$5000, includes Employee Appreciation Incentive.
- 3. Travel and Per Diem for Council was changed to \$750.
- 4. A C.O.L.A. was suggested of 3.5% to staff.
- 5. Finance Officer Jennifer was given a \$1 increase along with the COLA.
- 6. Staff added a line for Cybersecurity of \$10,000.
- 7. Training was increased to \$8,000 along with travel and per diem to \$6,000.
- 8. Line item 522.460 was increased for Fire Control for the replacement of a fire hydrant.
- 9. Roads and Streets and Parks and Recreation were combined from two categories to only Public Works.
- 10. Promotional activities for 574.481 was changed to \$6,500, this included Arbor Day, Halloween, Memorial Day, and Christmas.

- 11. Better Place Fund Projects Discussed
- 12. Community Center AC's \$30,000.
- 13. Community Center Floors \$30,000.
- 14. Beach Bathroom Renovations \$5,000.
- 15. Mayors Park Bathroom Renovations \$3,000.
- 16. Public Works Supervisor new utility truck \$70,000.
- 17. Town Hall Renovations \$10,000.
- 18. Cyclone Rake \$5,000.
- 19. Mayors Park Septic Tank Repair \$12,000.
- 20. Mayors Park Playground Grant \$15,000.
- 21. Beach Park Playground Grant \$ 5,000.
- 22. Replacement of Trash Cans and Benches \$15,000.
- 23. Community Center Bathrooms Rollover project \$15,000.
- 24. Community Center Fencing \$4,500.
- 25. Chambers Sound Equipment Upgrades \$6,000.

 Councilwoman Evans motioned to adjourn 3:40pm.



