

PIEDMONT CITY COUNCIL

Special Budget Work Session Minutes for Monday, April 15, 2024

A Special Budget Work Session of the Piedmont City Council was held April 15, 2024, in the Police Emergency Operations Center at 403 Highland Avenue. In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2(a) the agenda for this meeting was posted for public inspection on April 11, 2024.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cavanaugh called the session to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Jennifer Cavanaugh, Vice Mayor Betsy Smegal Andersen and Councilmembers Jennifer Long, Conna McCarthy, and Tom Ramsey.

Staff: City Administrator Rosanna Bayon Moore, City Clerk Anna Brown, Police Chief Jeremy Bowers, Fire Chief David Brannigan, Public Works Director Daniel Gonzales, Acting Planning & Building Director Pierce Macdonald, Recreation Director Chelle Putzer, Finance Director Michael Szczech, Communication Program Manager Echa Schneider, and Sustainability Program Manager Deniz Ergun

BUDGET OVERVIEW

City Administrator Rosanna Bayon Moore gave an overview of the budget process and this meeting in particular. She discussed the proposed Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget for the City of Piedmont. She noted the City's focus on the delivery of basic services and core programs, careful and conservative budgeting, and mitigation of rising pension and retiree medical costs.

Finance Director Mike Szczech gave a detailed presentation on the proposed budget. He gave an overview of the General Fund, other funds, fees & charges, as well as projections related to the Facilities Maintenance Fund, Pension Fund, and Other Post Employment Benefits Fund. He also discussed the Municipal Services Special Tax, Special Municipal Sewer Tax, and the Real Property Transfer Tax.

Staff reviewed proposed initiatives for the next fiscal year, including the addition of a part time Public Works Program Manager, records management project, Enterprise Asset Management software, a new website, online business license portal and various Public Works projects. Staff responded to Council questions regarding the proposals.

There was no **Public Testimony** on this item.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Cavanaugh adjourned the special work session at 5:55 p.m.