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Council Audit & Finance Committee
Minutes
12/19/11
10:00 to 12:00
CIC Room

Council Attendees: Mayor Karen Weitkunat, Mayor Pro Tem Kelly Ohlson, Ben Manvel

Staff: Darin Atteberry, Mike Beckstead, John Voss, Lawrence Pollack, Josh Birks, Christina Vincent, Bruce Hendee, Megan Bolin, Steve Mason, Josh Jones, Heather Shepherd

Others: John Knezovich, citizen

Approval of Minutes

Ben Manvel moved approval of the December 19, 2011 minutes and Karen Weitkunat seconded the motion. The minutes are approved unanimously.

Kelly Ohlson would like to further discuss the topic of City Salary Structure in more detail at a future date in 2012.

URA Long Term Financial Forecast

The purpose of this information is to keep the Council Finance Committee periodically apprised of the status of the URA.

URA projects:

- N college marketplace
- Union place
- Innosphere
- Kaufman Robinson
- Jax
- Valley steel

Josh Birks said the Kaufman and Robinson project exceeded the city's expectations on building and TIF, and so did Jax. This is the last year for the City on the loan related to Valley steel.

Christina Vincent said Larimer County raised the tax increment estimates for next year.

Kelly Ohlson asked if the City currently has money in the Union Place development project. It does not.

Kelly also asked when the City gets the \$5.3 million back from Innosphere and Josh said the loan is a 20 year time period but it could be paid back as soon as the next couple years. By early August 2012, a good estimate of tax collections will be available and that will indicate when the payment can be expected in full.

Christina Vincent will be participating in communication meetings starting in January 2012 so she can be made aware of any potential problems or pitfalls and address them.

The Financial Forecast for the URA is summarized as follows:

- All loans paid off by end of 2029
- Forecast is sensitive to growth in property values
-In general it assumes 1% next 4 years, 1.5% afterwards
- Assumes N.C. Marketplace fills out in 3 years

John Voss stated that the forecast is very tied to growth.

Karen Weitkunat suggested that a URA summary be presented to Council Finance Committee on a regular basis each year. Possibly twice a year. She also reiterated the need for specific details on each of these project presentations. Data presented should include background information, the 'big picture' and current progress.

Financial Update

Lawrence Pollack presented the spending and remaining balance for

Building Community Choices:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Ordinance</u>	<u>Description</u>
\$7,064,568		Available Balance 12/31/2010
(\$135,000)	Ord. #62	Lincoln Center Renovation - structural improvements
(\$2,700,000)	Ord. #64	North College Improvements - to be repaid by the URA
(\$1,500,000)	Ord. # 87	Museum of Discovery DDA shortfall, DDA seeking financing
<u>\$2,729,568</u>		Remaining Balance



And for Building on Basics (BOB):

	Total Appropriations through 2010	Total Future Appropriations	Total Appropriations
Capital Expenses			
Administrative Charge	141,497	181,875	323,372
Fort Collins Museum/Discovery			0
Science Center Joint Facility	6,183,750	0	6,183,750
Lincoln Center Renovation	5,487,877	0	5,487,877
Park Upgrades and Enhancements	304,897	1,703,622	2,008,519
Fort Collins Senior Center Expansion	0	5,147,533	5,147,533
Police Services CAD Replacement	0	712,612	712,612
Harmony Rd., Seneca to College Ave.	3,000,000	0	3,000,000
Intersection Improvements and Traffic Signals	4,500,000	6,500,000	11,000,000
North College Avenue Improvements	428,490	4,275,671	4,704,161
North College from Ped Plan	83,000	0	83,000
Timberline, Drake to Prospect - Adequate	400,000	0	400,000
Closed project savings added back	(1,088)	0	(1,088)
Timberline, Drake to Prospect - Ultimate		5,871,218	5,871,218
Bicycle Program Plan Implementation	375,000	625,000	1,000,000
Pedestrian Plan and ADA Improvements	1,510,500	1,500,000	3,010,500
Ped Plan moved to North College	(83,000)	0	(83,000)
Cultural Services -Facilities Plan	150,000	0	150,000
Library District -Library Technology	2,232,000	3,718,000	5,950,000
Transit Services -Replacement Buses	632,242	383,626	1,015,868
Total Capital	25,345,165	30,619,157	55,964,322

And for Keep Fort Collins Great:

Offer Title	2011 Original Budget	Estimate of Year End Unspent / Unencumbered	Estimate of 2012 Reappropriation
Street Maintenance	6,171,000	-	-
Other Transportation	3,179,000	1,697,989	426,989
Police	3,179,000	2,190,000	-
Fire	2,057,000	-	-
Parks and Recreation	2,056,058	151,000	6,000
Other Community Priorities	2,051,731	339,339	87,000
Grand Total	\$ 18,693,789	\$ 4,378,328	\$ 519,989

Staff recommended that any unused portion of operational budgets using KFCG funds require City Council approval in order to use that money for something else. Another alternative recommendation is to include the detail of where the money was spent in a report to City Manager, who can then pass it along to City Council.