



MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: 09/07/2010
CONSENT
ITEM #: 8
MOTION *Resolution 2010-045*

AGENDA ITEM: Set Hearing Dates for Budget & Levy Discussion

SUBMITTED BY: Tom Bouthilet, Finance Director

THROUGH: Bruce Messelt, City Administrator

REVIEWED BY: Joe Rigdon, KDV

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED: The City Council is respectfully requested to consider setting the Truth in Taxation Public Meeting, as required by State law. The recommended motion to do so is as follows:

“Move to approve Resolution 2010-045 setting December 7th, 2010 at 7:00PM for the Budget and Levy discussion and time set aside to allow the public to speak.”

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The requirements to hold a special Truth in Taxation (TNT) public hearing, continuation hearing and levy adoption meeting have been recently repealed. Cities with a population over 500 are still required to hold a single meeting in which the public is allowed to speak and the budget and levy is discussed. This meeting may be part of a regular scheduled meeting however it must occur after 6:00PM.

The previous TNT Publication requirements have also been repealed. However; the meeting in which the levy and budget will be discussed still needs to be submitted to the County for publication on the tax parcel specific notices. The requirement for cities to hold a meeting on days other than the various taxing authorities had also been repealed.

STAFF REPORT: The repeal of previous requirements allows the City to conduct a meeting where the budget and levy will be discussed and the public will be allowed to speak at a regular scheduled City Council meeting. Staff recommends the fulfillment of this requirement on December 7th, 2010 at 7:00PM, as part of the regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: Based upon the above background information and staff report, it is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 2010-045 setting December 7th, 2010 at 7:00PM for Budget and Levy discussion.

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Alternatively, the City Council does have the authority to table this item for additional deliberation or select an alternative date at tonight’s meeting. However, action to set this date must be taken by September 15th, in order to comply with state law. As such, any delay or tabling of this action at tonight’s meeting will necessitate holding an Adjourned Meeting on September 14th. If the former action is undertaken (setting a different date), the appropriate action of the Council following such discussion would be:

“Move to approve Resolution 2010-045 setting _____, 2010 at _____ PM for the Budget and Levy discussion and time set aside to allow the public to speak.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution No. 2010-045

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Introduction of Item City Administrator
- Report/Presentation.....Finance Director
- Questions from Council to Staff..... Mayor Facilitates
- Public Input, if Appropriate Mayor Facilitates
- Call for Motion Mayor & City Council
- Discussion..... Mayor & City Council
- Action on Motion..... Mayor Facilitates