COUNCIL DISCUSSION

NOVEMBER 14, 2023

Following the Budget Meeting for Parks and Recreation and the Fire Department, the Council discussed what was presented in the 2024 Budget by the Department Heads who came before them. They carefully considered the requests from the Department Heads and the Mayor's recommendations and determined the best course of action to maintain a low tax rate while ensuring the City's financial health and the ability to provide the expected programs and services for residents. The following represent key points of this discussion, and the outcome of their decisions is reflected in the attached spreadsheet under the column title "Council Changes".

- The Mayor's salary was reduced to \$18,245.
- Funding for the City Manager was set at \$120,000.
- Electric and Gas was reduced by \$70,000 due to solar credits.
- The use of ARPA Funds was reviewed, and allocations reflected.
- A Motor Equipment Operator (MEO) position was eliminated.

A motion was made by Councilor Simchik and seconded by Councilor Pagano to conclude the meeting at 9:50p.m.

Sandy LaPera

City Clerk