

WORKSHOP MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY JUNE 27, 2022, AT CASHMERE CITY HALL – In Person and Digital

WORKSHOP OPENING

Mayor Jim Fletcher began the workshop at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer took minutes.

Public can attend the workshop in person, by phone or by digital conference. The mayor announced this was a workshop for information only and no decisions will be made.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Mayor:	Jim Fletcher	
Council:	John Perry Chris Carlson Shela Pistoresi - digital Jayne Stephenson Derrick Pratt	
Staff:	Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Steve Croci, Director of Operations	

BUDGET – REVENUES AND CITY BUDGET POLICY

The council received a copy of Resolution 14-2009 establishing budget policies. Mayor Fletcher explained the following budget policies and the reason for establishing them in 2009.

The budget policies require that appropriations for operating expenditures shall not exceed estimated revenues and that revenue estimates shall be realistic, minimum reserves for funds shall be established at no less than 60 days operating expenses, and reserves shall not be used for operating expenditures. Any reserves exceeding the 60-day minimums established may be used for capital purchases and emergencies authorized by the City Council.

The council was provided a summarized description of the city's current revenue sources, property tax, sales tax, utility tax, real estate tax, leasehold excise tax, lodging tax, franchise fees and state shared revenues.

The mayor explained that in order to bring in more revenue to the city, the council is going to need voter approval. He explained that the voters will need to approve optional property tax levies such as emergency medical services levy, excess levies and G.O. bond excess levies. Other voter approved taxes include public safety sales tax, transit sales tax and transportation benefit district sales tax.


Another option for the council to consider is a Parks and Recreation District. Information was provided comparing options to fund Parks and Recreation Districts; the options and comparisons included Park and Recreation District, Park and Recreation Service Area and Metropolitan Park District. The comparison included regular levies and fees to fund the options and the initial steps in the formation of the options.

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The purpose of the workshop was to inform the council of the city's current revenue sources and revenue sources available and which ones require voter approval. In order to plan for the future, the City Council will need to make some difficult decisions.

WORKSHOP ADJOURNED

Mayor Fletcher ended the workshop at 5:58 p.m.



James Fletcher, Mayor

Attest:



Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer