LA VISTA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
JULY 18, 2012

A meeting of the City Council of the City of La Vista, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 6:00 p.m. on July 18, 2012. Present were Council Members Sell, Ronan, Quick, Sheehan, Carlisle, Elliebeck, Crawford and Gowen. Absent: None. Also in attendance were City Attorney McKeon, City Administrator Gunn, Assistant City Administrator Ramirez, Police Chief Lausten, Fire Chief Uhl, Public Works Director Soucie, Public Building & Grounds Director Archibald, Finance Director Lindberg, Library Director Barcal, Community Development Director Birch, Recreation Director Stopak, City Clerk Buethe, Deputy Clerk Garrod, Public Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Assistant Siebels, Human Resource Generalist Fagin, Police Captain Barcal, Chief Building Official Sinnett, City Planner Solberg, Assistant Public Works Director/City Engineer Kottmann, Streets Superintendent Goldman, Parks Superintendent Lukasiewicz, Park Foreman Thornburg, Sewer Foreman Foster, Assistant Recreation Director Carlson, Recreation Program Director Carstensen, Assistant Library Director Linhart, Golf Course Services Manager Dinan, and Golf Course Superintendent Calentine.

A notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Times on July 4, 2012. Notice was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of the acknowledgment of the receipt of notice attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated to the Mayor and City Council in the advance notice of the meeting. All proceedings shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Further, all subjects included in said proceedings were contained in the agenda for said meeting which is kept continuously current and available for public inspection at City Hall during normal business hours.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Acting Mayor Quick called the meeting to order and led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

III. ANNOUNCEMENT OF LOCATION OF POSTED OPEN MEETINGS ACT

Acting Mayor Quick made an announcement of the location of the posted copy of the Open Meetings Act for public reference.

IV. BUDGET REVIEWS

Sewer Fund

Finance Director Lindberg provided an overview of the sewer fund stating that, based on the user rate study and annual increase of 8% in sewer use fees is reflected in the Master Fee Schedule. Capital Requests of $72,000 are recommended for funding.

Sewer Foreman Foster reviewed the sewer maintenance with the Mayor and City Council. Increases are being requested for the transition of a Maintenance Worker I position to a Maintenance Worker II position, motor vehicle supplies, travel expenses, cleaning services, contractual services, and equipment maintenance.

Assistant Public Works Director Kottmann gave an overview of the Storm Water Management Account which manages grant funding made available by the NDEQ for implementation of the Storm Water Management Plan for the City of La Vista.

Debt Service Fund

Lindberg provided an overview of the Debt Service Fund. Lindberg stated that the recommendation is to increase the levy toward the debt service fund by one cent and to lower the general fund levy by that same amount so there will be no increase in the overall tax levy.

Capital Improvement Program

Assistant City Administrator Ramirez stated that there are projects carried over to FY13 that won’t be done in FY12. Many projects were moved out to pending as the debt service fund cannot support any more projects. There are several IT projects that have been moved into the FY13 budget including financial software, and new technology equipment for the council chambers. Some projects in the Program are contingent on grant funding. Request totals about 1.7 million dollars this year from various funding sources.
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Lottery Fund
Finance Director Lindberg stated that Lottery revenue this year is projected slightly higher than in FY12. Lindberg gave an overview of the FY13 recommended budget for the Lottery fund.

Golf Fund
Lindberg stated that final payment for the golf course will be in December 2013.

Golf Course Manager Dinan gave an overview of the golf clubhouse budget stating that all requests are at the same level as last year except for a request to lease two new carts and additional funding to complete the updating of the clubhouse restrooms.

Golf Course Maintenance Superintendent Calentine gave an overview of the golf maintenance budget. Reductions reflected in salary items due to transfer of time to the Assistant to the City Administrator position. Requesting additional funding for motor vehicle supplies, utilities, and dues and subscriptions.

Economic Development Fund
Gunn stated that a sales tax transfer from the General fund in the amount of $600,000.00 is recommended as it will help to lessen the transfer in future years. In FY17 the JQ Hammons load will be paid in full.

Off-Street Parking Fund
Kottmann reviewed the Off Street Parking budget with Council. Kottmann stated they are requesting an increase in funding for botanical supplies, utilities, and purchase of a spare pump for the water feature.

V. FOLLOW UP FROM JULY 16
Gunn stated that Chief Uhr provided information on the replacement schedule for turn out gear and you also have information on Senior Bus Services. Gunn would like to go back to Ralston and see if there are some more palatable options for fees. Stopak stated that we receive 50% of our funding for Senior Bus Service from the State of Nebraska public transportation assistance program.

VI. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR
None

VII. COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL
Councilmember Sell thanked the expanded staff for the work done to present this recommended budget.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT
At 6:52 p.m. Councilmember Carlisle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Crawford. Councilmembers voting aye: Sell, Ronan, Quick, Sheehan, Carlisle, Crawford, Elterbeck, and Gowan. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 7TH DAY OF AUGUST 2012.

CITY OF LA VISTA

Douglas Kindig
Mayor

ATTEST:
Pamela A. Buethe, CMC
City Clerk