

City of Gahanna Meeting Minutes Finance Committee

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Council Committee Room

*Immediately Following Committee of the Whole

ITEMS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE -

2018-0162

2018 Q2 Report

Bury reviewed the attached report; 55% of planned revenue; slightly higher than expected; compared to 2017 we are up about 5% or \$751K; income tax had the largest increase; property taxes and other revenue make up the majority of the remaining increase; it was expected for property taxes to increase due to the re-appraisal; General Fund expenditures are about 42% of planned; a little lower than expected, but encumbrances are at about 68% of planned; compared to 2017 we have increased about 4% mainly related to personal and contract services; transfers in/out are at 34%, 92% of planned; transfers out include the \$6.9 million in the capital improvement fund; fund balance is about \$18.7 million, decreased \$5.1 million at the end of the Q2, mainly due to the transfer to the capital improvement fund; the plan for 2018 was to use about \$5.9 million; page 4 is the income tax increase; there were some individual and the withholders there were increases; the net profit shows a big drop; not sure what is going on with the net profits; we have contacted the state to see if we can find out what has been filed; the assumption is that there is a delay with those opting in to the state and when distributions are being made to the city; appears on target with our funding.

Angelou stated that there is a surplus of \$147 million in the State of Ohio which the Governor wants to give an income tax reduction and put \$68 million in the rainy day fund; should we be taking a position on this and write State Representative Anne Gonzales regarding the reduction of local government funds; giving back to the citizens is fine, but it came

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from the local government funds; perhaps we should think about it; Schnetzer said it's possible there would be some value in it, however he believes the decision by the Governor is made.

CONTINUED BUDGET DISCUSSIONS -

2018-0153 Updated Capital Needs Assessment (for years 2019-2023)

Bury shared that since the Capital Needs Assessment (CNA) was distributed it was determined that a request from the Department of Parks & Recreation was missing and included are two new requests; these documents can be added to the previous request; the 2019 funding of \$500,000 for the McCutcheon Road Park, Phase II was left out of the original request; the Southwest Floodplain Park is a new request for land acquisitions in order to have continuance land from Johnstown Road all the way to Price Road; currently the land separates what the city owns and operates, at this time the land is not for sale; this prepares us for the possibility of a sale; the last additional CNA is from IT to update the Disaster Recovery Plan now and in the future and possibly do some testing of the plan.

2018-0073 2019 Budget Discussion Documents

Schnetzer requested any comments or questions should be sent to him for consolidation and distribution to staff; Larick stated that when looking at the request, go with the current funding available; Schnetzer stated that the RITA model shows a third, a third, and a third, which he feels is excessively conservative which has significant implications for what can be done in 2019, if staff might want to research.

ADJOURNMENT

7:25 p.m.