



# City of Gahanna

## Meeting Minutes

### Finance Committee

200 South Hamilton Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

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Monday, May 18, 2020

Virtual Meeting

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**Immediately Following the Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
**Members of the Public may call: 1-513-306-4583**  
**Conference ID: 362 447 415#**

#### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Michael Schnetzer called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m. with all members in attendance.

#### **B. DISCUSSIONS**

##### **1. ITEM FROM THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE**

[2020-085](#)

Q1 Report to Council

Ms. Bury presented the Quarter 1 report. Report is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Larick asked the original plan from revenue adjustments from issue 12, where those planned at flat or were those scaled based upon previous history of significant revenue at a certain point vs. later.

Ms. Bury replied everything is based on an annualized amount but we do track how if functions monthly and quarterly to see how trending looks.

Mr. Larick asked if the annual estimate was \$1,000,000, would you lay in \$250,000 Q1 or do you scale it because you expect more revenue Q1 or Q4.

Ms. Bury said we do not.

Mr. Larick replied so its distributed evenly. With regard to expectation of 65% of revenue and based on the Q1 view you mention 90% is probably closer. Was that before COVID -19?

Ms. Bury said that this is not taking Covid-19 into account. We are working on those scenarios and will make an adjustment and see where we land.

Mr. Larick asked about the 90%, is that with taking that into consideration?

Ms. Bury replied that will be taking that into consideration. But it would be 90% of the adjusted based upon what the revenue loss would be.

Mrs. McGregor asked about page 3 with the 3 funds. They all had 42% of the plan but Public Service had 34%, aren't they supposed to be even?

Ms. Bury explained no, it's based upon need it won't be even. There may be more of a need for one over another in a year.

Mrs. Angelou asked if we have had an increase of 3%.

Ms. Bury replied yes, they increased their rate by 3%.

Mrs. Angelou said she felt it needs to be made public that people don't quite understand that this rate increase was from Columbus.

Mr. Schnetzer asked about the 3% reduction in the service charge. Is this just a one time decrease?

Ms. Bury said we will take another look at that. The charge was set up quite some time ago and we need to do an analysis to see if that is the correct percentage. This is a one time 2020 based upon Columbus' rates.

Mr. Leeseberg said he was glad to see the income tax is coming in a little quicker than expected and he appreciates the cuts to programs and staff. We've discussed ways we can cut costs in the Council budget and he thanked the staff for going through budget processes again.

Mr. Schnetzer said thank you to Joann and staff and administration for a good sober fact based conversation. There are extremes on both side and the reality lies somewhere in the middle and we owe it to the residents to communicate as clear as we can.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.**