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MEMORANDUM

Date: September 12, 2013

To: Mayor and City Council

Through: Darin Atteberry, City Manager *DA*
Mike Beckstead, Chief Financial Officer *MB*

From: Lawrence Pollack, Budget and Performance Measurement Manager *LP*

Re: Sept. 10, 2013 Work Session Summary Follow up – 2014 Budget Revisions

There was a brief presentation on the financial summary of the City Manager's Recommended 2014 Budget Revisions and the available revenues to support those proposed expenditures.

Councilmembers raised various questions of the 2014 Revisions in preparation for 1st reading of the budget. The following are the specific questions or guidance that was provided:

- 1) There was a question as to why Natural Areas money was proposed to fund the request for additional staffing in the City Attorney Office and what that specific amount was. After researching the question, water rights attorneys are used by the Natural Areas Department, but any allocation of an internal resource to provide support for the Natural Areas has not been determined. Accordingly, funding for the revision request will be coming from the General Fund (for \$73K) with the balance of the request (\$210K) coming from the Water Utilities. Support provided for the Natural Areas would be covered by existing appropriations in Natural Areas.
- 2) There was a request made to update the text of the 2014 Special Election revision since there has not been a decision made by Council to place an item on the ballot. Accordingly, the revision will be updated to reflect a potential special election that could be held in November 2014 or April 2015.
- 3) There was apparent support for the two Transit revisions for increased east/west mobility; those will be included in first reading of the 2014 Annual Appropriation Ordinance.
- 4) There were questions raised about the appropriate level of increased support for the Senior Center. Staff will be responding to City Council with a follow-up memo.

- 5) A question was asked about how these revisions support the City's strategic objectives. It was acknowledged that that linkage is missing and will be addressed in the next revision cycle.

First reading to the 2014 Annual Appropriation Ordinance is scheduled for October 15, 2013.






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Memorandum

DT: September 11, 2013

TO: Mayor and City Councilmembers

TH: Darin Atteberry, City Manager 
Diane Jones, Deputy City Manager 

FR: Ginny Sawyer, Project and Policy Manager 

RE: Work Session Summary: September 10, 2013
Renewal of the ¼ Cent Community Capital Improvement Program

On September 10, 2013, City Council held a Work Session to discuss the renewal of the community capital improvement program. Councilmember Cunniff was not in attendance. Staff members included Diane Jones and Ginny Sawyer.

Staff presented a brief overview of the existing tax base and current voter approved initiatives, the history of the capital improvement program, and the proposed scope of work including potential election dates, timeline, and outreach plan.

Councilmembers Poppaw and Overbeck provided direct feedback on the preliminary potential project list. The Mayor and remaining councilmembers voiced support for pursuing a renewal of the program and emphasized that this effort should focus on the future of Fort Collins and what makes Fort Collins a great place. Emphasis was placed on creating a project list that is innovative and visionary and that provides benefit in a geographically balanced and beneficial manner.

Other comments included:

- Bringing projects forward in categories or themes
- Look at resolving longstanding issues (train noise)
- Consider information infrastructure
- Look for partnerships
- Bike and Ped projects, including major underpasses

Council also supported looking at the April 2015 election as opposed to November 2014.

Next Steps

- Staff will provide follow-up to the projected related questions from Councilmembers Poppaw and Overbeck.
 - More description on River Trail and River Park and what is proposed.


- Why is Southridge Golf Course included in the Water Conservation project?
 - What grants are/could support the Carnegie Building?
 - Provide the actual language of the agreement with Woodward in relation to Lincoln Boulevard Improvements.
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- Staff will confirm other potential ballot measures and when they might be scheduled.
 - Staff will continue with initial public outreach to help guide what comes forward on December 10, 2013.



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MEMORANDUM

Date: September 12, 2013
To: Mayor and City Councilmembers
Through: Darin Atteberry, City Manager
From: Bruce Hendee, Chief Sustainability Officer 
Re: September 10, 2013 Work Session Summary – TBL Decision-Making

Bruce Hendee, Kraig Bader, Lucinda Smith and Bonnie Pierce presented. Councilmember Ross Cunniff was absent.

Does City Council have any feedback on the interim approach of providing Triple Bottom Line qualitative assessments of major projects in City Council work session packet materials?

Generally, Council was supportive of this interim approach, expressed appreciation for the effort and expects staff will gain experience, especially in the areas of social impact assessment.

Comments:

- This will help the City intentionally evaluate impacts, especially social impacts, and may lead to more community-focused projects.
- This exercise may lead to opportunities to strengthen projects and impact project design.
- This approach is not reductionist, and the synthesis is important.
- The effort will facilitate greater interdepartmental and staff interaction and integration.
- In the future, please consider evaluating projects according to the City Plan Result Areas, and do not limit it to just "Economic/Financial, Environmental, and Social" impacts.
- Consider a name other than TBLAM for the current tool, even TBL Analysis Map.
- Recognition that this effort will increase staff work load, so consider only conducting a TBL analysis for "major" projects. Staff may reconsider the list of work session items for TBL analysis.