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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 25, 2014
To: Mayor and City Councilmembers
Through: Darin Atteberry, City Manager 
From: Mike Beckstead, Chief Financial Officer 
Re: June 24, 2014 Work Session Summary - Long Term Financial Planning Process

Mike Beckstead presented the proposed Scope of Work staff will follow in completing a Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP). The desired outcome of the LTFP is to facilitate strategic thinking, awareness and discussion around the City's financial future and macro financial trends and issues over a 10 year horizon. The LTFP will expand on the current 5-line process used in the last Strategic plan with modifications that include a 10 year time horizon, additional detail and growth rates on revenue and expenditure by line items and analysis of the impact of various sun setting taxes.

The LTFP is intended to be a simple, high-level directional indicator of the magnitude of potential financial issues and concerns. It is not intended to be a long term budget or to provide answers to the issues identified. Prioritized follow-up actions are anticipated based on the learnings and findings from the LTFP.

Council was in agreement with the proposed scope (with the addition of items #1 & #2 below) and requested staff begin developing the LTFP immediately. Follow-up actions and direction received includes:

1. Include an assessment of major capital needs across the City of Fort Collins
2. Include an assessment of potential debt requirements and capacity
3. Set up reviews with both the Council Finance Committee and Council Futures Committee during the process to review to confirm assumptions used in the model.
4. Review findings and future actions at a future council work session
5. Include a Net Present Value (NPV) calculation of on-going operations support costs in the proposed BOB 2.0 project list.

Council members in attendance included Mayor Karen Weitkunat, Mayor Pro Tem Gerry Horak, Gino Campana, Wade Troxell, Ross Cunniff and Bob Overbeck.



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 25, 2014

TO: Mayor and City Councilmembers

THROUGH: Darin Atteberry, City Manager *DA*
Jeff Mihelich, Deputy City Manager *JM*
Bruce Hendee, Assistant City Manager *BH*

FROM: Mary Atchison, Social Sustainability Department *MA*

RE: Work Session Summary – June 24, 2014 re: Panhandling and Homelessness

Present at the work session were all Councilmembers except Lisa Poppaw. Deputy City Manager Jeff Mihelich, Police Chief John Hutto, and Mary Atchison, Director of the Department of Social Sustainability were present for this staff report.

The work session presentation discussed the City's plan to address panhandling, especially in the downtown. In particular these interventions were discussed:

1. Police moving school resource officers to the downtown during the day this summer.
2. Municipal Court is holding court at the Murphy Center and working to set up a 'Special Agency' court from which people can be deferred to services or treatment.
3. Public education campaign to discourage people from giving to panhandlers, but rather 'feed the meters' to 'make real change'. Retrofitted parking meters are part of this campaign.
4. City Attorney's Office is exploring additional codes regarding panhandling.

Homeless camping was also discussed, including the recent police enforcement action. As the homeless population has grown in numbers, camping has become more and more a public safety issue. Social Sustainability is working on an ongoing basis with homeless service providers to develop short and long term solutions for shelter so people do not have to camp when our current shelters are full.

Follow up Items:

- Reach out to County to see what they are doing regarding Panhandling and homeless camping.



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 27, 2014

TO: Mayor Weitkunat and Councilmembers

THRU: Darin Atteberry, City Manager *DA*
Jeff Mihelich, Deputy City Manager *J.M.*
Karen Cumbo, Planning, Development & Transportation Director

FROM: Larry Schneider, Streets Superintendent *LS*
Beth Sowder, Neighborhood Services Manager *BS*

RE: June 24, 2014 Work Session Summary - Snow & Ice Control Programs

Attendees:

City Council: Mayor Pro-tem Gerry Horak, Wade Troxell, Gino Campana, Bob Overbeck, Ross Cunniff, Mayor Weitkunat

City Staff: Karen Cumbo, Larry Schneider, Beth Sowder

Staff presented an overview of the snow and ice control program, outlining components of how the City's winter maintenance is performed. Special attention was given to pedestrian access, sidewalk snow removal, and enforcement of the sidewalk snow removal ordinance. PDT staff addressed specific questions regarding deicing materials, transit/bus stops, cooperation with other agencies, media outreach, and compliance for clearing sidewalks.

In general, Council feedback was supportive of current practices and procedures. More specific feedback and direction included:

- Work cooperatively with other entities like Poudre School District to coordinate snow removal operations.
- Publicize alternatives for citizens so they know their options for alternative transportation during heavy snow storms that might keep them from using regular fixed route transit service (e.g. Dial-A-Ride).
- Put more of the Roadway Weather Information System (RWIS) information on the website for public viewing.



- Continue to look for the most environmentally friendly deicing products.
- Continue to study the impacts of deicers on concrete and asphalt roads.
- Ensure that bus stops and stations, and sidewalks in the downtown area are clear.
- Consider weekend enforcement for sidewalk snow removal when the storms hit later in the week to ensure we are responding in a timely manner.
- Seek opportunities and incentives to encourage landlords and tenants to clear their walks and help neighbors in need.
- Utilize social media with real-time information to remind people about the sidewalk snow removal requirements and encourage them to help their neighbors.
- Put more focus on enforcement and encourage citizens to utilize the Access Fort Collins smartphone app to send photos of sidewalks in violation.

Follow-up – These are items Council requested information about:

- Provide data collected from Spring Creek to measure the effects of deicing materials. Staff will prepare a report with findings of the Spring Creek Study.
- Investigate the idea of solar roads. Staff will research the cost and benefits of solar roads.