

ROBBINSDALE CITY COUNCIL
BUDGET WORK SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2017
7:00 p.m.

1. The work session was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Blonigan 7:01 p.m.
2. Councilmembers Present: Selman, Backen, Mayor Murphy, Rogan, Mayor Pro Tem Blonigan

Staff Present: Marcia Glick, City Manager; Larry Jacobson, Finance Director; Jim Franzen, Police Chief; John Tingley, Assistant to City Manager.

DISCUSS: Proposed City Manager's Budget for 2018.

3. Glick presented the City Manager's Proposed Budget for 2018 and reviewed the staff report.
4. Staff stated that they are having trouble finding enough qualified candidates for certain positions and shared aggregate findings from the Market Rate Study and potential impact on the 2018 Budget.
5. Jacobson stated some of the major points within the Budget including an expected 6.5% increase in health insurance premiums and a decrease in Fiscal Disparities revenue due to a decreased city-wide tax rate as compared to the City's tax capacity last year.
6. Glick stated that due to a couple unfilled positions, the City's General Fund expenditures are expected to be less in 2017 than budgeted for, increasing the City's General Fund reserves to 55%. The City Council's policy states General Fund reserves should be between 40-50%.
7. Jacobson provided multiple options to Council in regard to setting the tax levy and projected impact on the budget.
8. Council provided feedback on suggested one-time budget expenditures to be reduced or moved to the following year's budget if needed.

ADJOURNMENT

9. Mayor Pro Tem Blonigan adjourned the work session at 8:39 p.m.



John Tingley, Recorder

William A. Blonigan, Mayor Pro Tem