



CITY OF COLLEGE STATION  
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**Mayor**  
Ben White

**Mayor ProTem**

**City Manager**  
Glenn Brown

**Councilmembers**  
John Crompton  
James Massey  
Dennis Maloney  
Katy-Marie Lyles  
Lawrence Stewart  
Dave Ruesink

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**MINUTES**  
**City Council Special Meeting**  
**Tuesday, July 7, 2009 at 4:00 pm**  
**Carter Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant**  
**2200 N. Forest Parkway – Training Room**  
**College Station, Texas**

Mayor White called the special budget workshop meeting to order at 4:00 pm. All Council members present.

Jeff Kersten Chief Financial Officer made introductory comments about the time line for future scheduled budget meetings of the City Council. He emphasized that the proposed budget was prepared to reflect the City Council mission, strategic goals, financial forecast, and fiscal and budgetary policies.

This meeting was held for the purpose of presenting proposed options for FY2010 General Fund Budget. The options proposed below assume an \$800,000 reduction from the FY 10 General Fund Base Budget.

Option #1 – Base Budget – derived from the FY09 estimated year-end results, adjusted slightly for minimal growth in revenue and anticipated changes in costs.

Option #2 – begins with the Base Budget and builds in minimal Public Safety Service Level Adjustments, development fee increases and a 1.5 cent property tax rate increase.

Option #3 – starts with the Base Budget and builds in Service Level Adjustments and pay increases similar to prior year adjustments – requiring permit fee increases along with a 4.5 cent property tax rate increase. In this scenario the services drive the budget.

Mr. Kersten reported on the preliminary FY 10 general fund base budget of revenues and expenditures.

General Fund Revenue Assumptions \$53,316,486

Sales Tax: 1% over FY09 estimated year end revenue

Permit Revenue: 0.15% decrease from FY09 estimated revenues

Property Tax Revenues: Preliminary valuation \$5.56 Billion

Estimated Final Value: \$5.4 Billion

Current Tax Rate 43.94 cents

Debt Service Rate 24.6048 cents

General Fund rate 19.3352 cents

General Fund Expenditures Estimated \$53,415,339

2.89% decrease from FY09 Revised Budget

Includes removal of prior year one time SLA's totaling \$1.5 million

Brief discussion was held on rollback tax proceedings. Council asked staff to report back with information on rollback election.

Council members expressed consensus to discontinue funding over a three year period to outside service agencies that do not meet the CDBG requirements

Public hearings on tax rate scheduled for August 27 and September 1, and adoption of tax rate scheduled for September 10.

Discussion concluded.

Council began executive session at 6:05 pm.

Competitive Matters {Gov't Code Section 551.086}; possible action

The City Council may deliberate, vote, or take final action on a competitive matter in closed session. The City Council must make a good faith determination, by majority vote of the City Council, that the matter is a Competitive Matter. A "Competitive Matter" is a utility-related matter that the City Council determines is related to the City of College Station's Electric Utility Competitive Activity, including commercial information, which if disclosed would give advantage to competitors or prospective competitors. The following is a general representation of the subject(s) to be considered as a competitive matter.

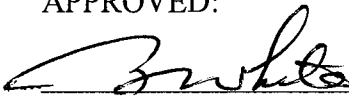
a. Electric Fund FY2009-2010 Preliminary Budget

Council concluded executive session at 6:50 pm. No action was taken.

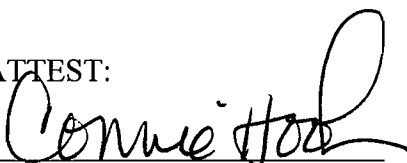
Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 6:50 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor Ben White

ATTEST:

  
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City Secretary Connie Hooks