



REPORT

CITY OF HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNCIL FINANCE, AUDIT, BUDGET COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019 – 8:30 AM

2nd FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM – CITY HALL – 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE

Council Committee Members:

Chair Andrews – Absent
Mayor Pennington
Councilmember Wilson

Executive Staff:

City Manager Zeigler
Finance Director Caulder
Finance Accountant Laughter

In Attendance: Russell Slatton, Public Services Director
Councilmember McGee

PURSUANT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT SC CODE 30-4-80: WRITTEN NOTICE WAS DELIVERED TO THE PRESS BY EMAIL ON MONDAY, MAY 3, 2018 AND DULY POSTED AT CITY HALL LOCATED AT 100 EAST CAROLINA AVENUE, AN ACCESSIBLE FACILITY, AND ON HARTSVILLESC.GOV.

City Manager Zeigler called the meeting to order at 8:45a.m.

DISCUSSIONS

1. Budget 2019-2020 Open Items:

Finance Director Caulder reported on the increases in general fund payroll related benefits Workers Compensation, Health Insurance, Pension Funding an increase of \$111K or 1.8% over last year and 60K increase in interest expenditures and the corresponding expenditures cuts to balance the budget such as reduction of part-time positions, eliminations of building official to be replaced by contract services and reduction of contingency fund. Discussion of current commercial rates for sanitation and way to increase revenues to offset the rising expenditures. A 5% increase was recommended.

2. Budget 2019-2020 TB Thomas Expenditures

Finance Director Caulder reported the parks and recreations expenditures are \$676K a 7% cut. The recreation budget represents 11% of the general fund budget. A discussion ensued about the lack of revenues to offset the expenditures and the city's relationship to Darlington County.

3. Adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

This is our report and recommendations to the full Council.

Johnny Andrews, Chair

Date