

**Public Safety Sales Tax Oversight Committee Meeting
July 8, 2020**

Committee members in attendance via Webex meeting:

N. Carroll, S. Day, L. Gonzalez, S. Holloway, G. Lovin, D. Moore, R. Tanner, M. Volcheff, A. Woehle

Committee members absent:

N/A

Others present:

Councilmember D. Knight (City Council), Chief V. Niski (CSPD), Deputy Chief S. Dubay (CSFD), Deputy Chief M. Smith (CSPD), Deputy Chief A. Vasquez (CSPD), Deputy Chief P. Rigdon (CSPD), B. Conklin (CSFD), K. Snow (CSFD), K. Rankin (CSFD), N. McCauley (CSPD)

Call to Order: Chairperson Carroll called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm.

Citizen Comment: No public comment.

Administrative:

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: D. Moore made a motion to approve the May 4, 2020 meeting minutes as written. S. Day seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Business & Discussion Items:

1. Updates:

- a. Budget/Sales Tax: The following documents were distributed to Committee members:
 - Sales and Use Tax Revenue Report – June 2020 report of Revenues Remitted to the City in May 2020
 - N. McCauley explained that this report is for sales tax collected by the City in May 2020 as a result of April economic activity. Although sales tax was 22% less than April 2019 activity, it is much less of a decrease than what the City and local economists were forecasting for that period.
 - City Finance is currently evaluating the sales tax submitted in June for May activity. Again, sales tax did not decrease nearly as much as originally expected. It appears that big box stores and auto dealers are showing strong sales during this time.
 - Department Listing of Obligations vs Budget activity through May 2020.
 - Project-Grant Listing of Obligations vs Budget activity through May 2020
- b. Potential ballot initiative regarding TABOR: N. McCauley informed Committee members that the Mayor's Office and City Council are discussing a potential ballot initiative related to TABOR. Currently, the ballot initiative has two components: 1) adjusting the "ratchet down" of the TABOR cap; and, 2) asking citizens to allow the City to keep 2019 and 2020 excess revenue. The issue will be discussed again at the July 27, 2020 City Council work session. Charae McDaniel, the City's CFO, offered to give an informational presentation to the Committee if the Committee is interested.

After discussion amongst Committee members, it was decided N. McCauley will arrange for C. McDaniel to attend the September 9, 2020 PSSTOC meeting.

b. Police:

- N. McCauley explained CSPD is in the process of developing its preliminary 2021 CSPD budget. CSPD's allocated funding will be relatively flat compared to its 2020 budget.

c. Fire:

- K. Rankin explained that the Station 23/Radio Shop project was on track with the design and proceeding well.
- B. Conklin stated that the CSFD budget was on track with little spending due to COVID.

Recognition:

Term Limit Committee Member Dennis Moore: Chief Niski thanked Dennis for the many hours he has committed to supporting first responders and public safety. Although this will be Dennis' last meeting, Chief Niski invited Dennis to a future in-person meeting to be properly recognized for his service.

Additional Business:

Councilor Knight briefly addressed the Committee regarding the City Council Budget Committee/PSSTOC meeting. He advised City Council has found a solution to allow for hybrid meetings (some attendees participate in person and some attend virtually) and recommended having this joint meeting using this solution. D. Knight advised he would prefer this meeting to be scheduled for a date prior to the release of the Mayor's preliminary 2021 budget. N. Carroll asked K. Snow to work with Michael Montgomery (City Council Analyst) to arrange this meeting.

Adjournment:

MOTION: D. Moore made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded motion unrecognizable due to audio difficulties. The motion unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Notes:

- The minutes of the meeting were taken by N. McCauley. Any omissions or corrections should be brought to the Chairperson's attention at the next PSSTOC meeting.