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Meeting Minutes Finance and Administration Committee

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

11:00 AM

Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chair Peters called the meeting to order at 11:04 AM

ROLL CALL

Staff Present: Finance Director Victor Damiani, Senior Government Accountant II Isaac Whippy, Administrative Assistant Brenda Jourdain and Administrative Assistant Cristal Muñoz.

Present: 2 - Lindy Peters and Tess Albin-Smith

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1A. 19-449 Approve Minutes of August 7, 2019

> The minutes where approved by the Committee as presented and will be forwarded for Council review.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

3. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

3A. 19-446 Review Draft Water Shut-Off Policy in Preparation for SB 998 **Implementation**

The Committee reviewed the report prepared for this item. The committee report presented by Finance Director Damiani who further explained the draft Water Shut-Off Policy in preparation of SB 998 implementation. New implementations are discussed and a new timeline is described. SB998 is well intended but may have the opposite effect might create a hardship for residents in the long run.

Public Comment:

*None.

Discussion:

Finance Director Damiani expressed concern with regarding the implementation of SB 998 and offered assisting measures for customers.

Recommendation:

- * There was consensus from committee to move forward to City Council on draft water shut-off policy with water conservation efforts added.
- * Spelling error on second graph on page 4, "April 4th monthly"

3B. <u>19-378</u> Receive Oral Update from Staff on Departmental Activities

Department Update:

Government Accountant II Whippy reported on the following:

- *Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monitoring team on site auditing the grant award of 2014. No discrepancies found.
- *Auditors for City wide FY 2018, Comprehensive Annual Finance Report (CAFR) will be brought to Council by December.
- *US Bank awarded new City contract as of February 2020.
- *JJACPA Audit for auditing of Citywide books for FY 2018/19 concluded on Friday.
- *Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) audit was concluded last Friday. Findings will be done by the end of October.
- *Wells Fargo to eliminate printing of their bills. New utility billing to begin in-house.
- *Interactive Voice Response (IVR): The Pay-Over-the-Phone process has been implemented.

4. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE / STAFF

* Committee Member inquired if the MuniServices TOT Audit findings payed for the consultant services.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Peters adjourned the meeting at 11:46 AM.