City of Burlington

2016 Annual Budget October 15, 2015

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- Review 10/8/15 Budget Workshop
- Top Expenditure Items
- TIF 202 Discussion
- Financial Planning
- Other Comments
- Adjourn

City of Burlington – 2016 Annual Budget Agenda

Review 10/8/15 Budget Workshop

- CBP Policy discussion
 - Top policy issue was Downtown Redevelopment, Façade Grant, City Hall/Library
 - Second policy issue was committing to the Community Pool
- General Fund Revenues
 - 1.434% Levy Limit Increase
 - Shared Revenues \$671,000; includes about \$215,000 in Expenditure Restraint payment
 - General Transportation Aid \$603,000
- Enterprise Revenue
 - 3% Simplified Water Rate Increase
 - 3% Sewer rate Charge Increase
 - Airport Fuel Sales slightly lower being projected

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Review 10/8/15 Budget Workshop

Comments/Questions regarding this review

City of Burlington – 2016 Annual Budget: 10/8/15 Review

- Salaries & Benefits All Funds
 - Projection for overall Salaries \$6,926,728
 - Payroll \$4,686,708 (Tab 7)
 - Public Safety #1 at \$2,162,429 (Tab 8)
 - Benefits \$2,246,020 (Tab 7)
 - Public Safety #1 at \$1,076,624 (Tab 8)
 - Health Insurance including Opt Out: \$470,049
 - WRS: \$208,069
 - Protective Social Security: \$150,032
 - Overtime: \$49,000

			2014 Actual	2015 Budget	2015 Expected	2016 Budget
Total Payroll	\$4,383,273	\$4,475,652	\$ 4,510,281	\$ 4,539,173	\$ 4,430,980	\$4,680,708
Total Benefits	\$ 2,224,049	\$ 2,347,229	\$ 2,284,287	\$ 2,145,263	\$ 2,259,209	\$ 2,246,020
Total Payroll & Benefits	\$6,607,322	\$6,822,881	\$ 6,794,568	\$ 6,684,436	\$ 6,690,189	\$6,926,728

WRS Contributions

- Total Contribution from the City into WRS all funds: \$402,815
 - WRS General Employee Contribution is 6.6% in 2015
 - City Contribution for Police is 9.5% Officers will be full General Employee Contribution by July 2016
 - City Contribution for Fire is 13.2% Engineers currently in Union Negotiations outcome unsure, but expected to be similar to Officer LAW contract.

Health Insurance (Tab 15)

- Total budgeted Health Insurance costs including opt-out all funds: \$1,416,600
 - Opt Out \$200 Single, \$400 Family (included in above): \$26,400
 - Admin Expenses for all benefit programs budgeted (included in \$1.4M total): \$404,600
 - Self Insurance Fund (SIF) Revenue from Employees, City and plan design: \$1,231,758
 - Ending Balance in SIF: \$346,989

- Health Insurance (Tab 15)
 - Plan Types & Design
 - H.S.A. No premium paid by employee. City contributes \$1,000/\$2,000 toward overall deductible for Single/Family. Overall Deductible \$2,000/\$4,000.
 - Employee and City can contribute up to \$6,750 towards H.S.A. per IRS regulations.
 - 2015 Single Annual Premium: \$10,448; Family Annual Premium \$22,746 (includes deductible contribution)
 - 2015 Plan C Traditional 80/20 PPO Plan.
 - Employee pays 10% of premium and 20% of covered expenses up to the max out of pocket.
 - Deductibles are \$500/\$1,000 for Single/Family; Max out of pocket is \$6,750/\$13,000 for Single/Family.
 - Single Annual Premium: \$10,981; Family Annual Premium \$24,103
 - Stop Loss payments to City over \$40,000 in covered claims expenses per event with one exception.
 - Other benefits provided:
 - Dental-\$1,000 annual benefit. \$38/\$62/\$96 for premiums (single/child/family) paid by City
 - Life (1 times salary) \$1.75 per \$5,000 and \$3.50 per \$10,000; includes \$10K/\$20K for dependent life/spouse paid by City
 - Vision Lenses/Contacts replaced annually with medical exam. Frames every 2 years up to \$100. \$5 premiums paid by City, Employee contributes difference \$2/\$7/\$12 for single/1 dependent/family.
 - Ending Balance in SIF: \$346,989

- Utilities & Telephone
 - Total All Funds: \$750,146
 - Water & Sewer Utility represents \$545,000 of total
- Trash & Recycling (Tab 9 page 4)
 - Total for Trash & Recycle: \$513,632
 - Water & Sewer Utility represents \$545,000 of total
- Street Lighting (Tab 9 page 3)
 - Total for Street Lighting: \$260,000

Other funds have other large expenses, such as FICA.

Comments/Questions regarding this review

- TIF #3 and ERTIF #1 scheduled to close in 2017
 - TIF values added back to City for 2018 operations budget.
 - ½ of the % value of TIF 3/ERTIF 1 value added to Net New Construction percentage
 - Current 2016 projected TIF Percent of total City Value is 19.6%.
 - Net New Construction plus ½ of 19.6% will be able to be added to the Levy Limit for 2018 budget.
 - 2015 Net New Construction was 1.434% in this example, total net new construction & TIF Close would be 1.434% plus (1/2 of 19.6% or 9.8%) equals 11.234%.
 - In todays 2016 budget this would represent an increase of \$623,050 to the Levy Limit
 - Expenditure Restraint Payment (ERP) would only account for the 1.434%, not the 11.234% thus
 making it difficult to increase general fund budget by 9.8% for operations and maintain \$215,000
 in ERP payments from the state. Would not qualify for the \$215,000 in the next (2017) budget
 year.
 - Next Budget year would be reset and ERP can then be re-qualified.
 - The other "1/2" gets added to overall values to reduce the MIL rate to residents.
 - Higher budget (increased by \$623,050) spread over a much broader value base results in a lower MIL rate.

- What is the solution and how do we maximize our TID Closures?
 - Increase Levy to allowed Maximum value per TIF Law. (Changes coming?)
 - Increase payments to Debt Service to reduce reliance on General Fund dollars to pay for debt. Currently ½ of actual debt is Levied. (Tab 6 page 1)
 - If the desire of the council is to maintain Current MIL rate (\$8.81 per 1,000) then
 - Issue new debt to pay for needed infrastructure and/or other projects.
 - Debt payments for Debt Issued is not subject to Levy limit and can be levied fully per state statutes.
 - Identify issues that can have MIL rates increased by referendum (wants of the taxpayers).
 - Additional debt would be in addition to this option. Project debt may cost 25 cents per \$1,000 as requested by tax payer referendum, then add additional project debt to have a total MIL rate increase as required by the referendum. \$8.81 to \$9.06.
 - Has the advantage of getting approved Levy increases for Referendum project AND needed projects without changing "approved by referendum" MIL rate.

- TIF 101/102
 - In the TIF Example provided by Ehler's earlier this year:
 - Keeping the MIL Rate the same would allow approximately \$6.5M in new debt. This would not include any debt issued per a referendum. Such as Pool,. City Hall, Library.
 - Ability to continue to issue new debt each year (IF NEEDED) by \$650K per year. This would be up to the max allowed General Obligation debt of 5% of Equalized Value.

• What else?

- By closing TID 3/ER TID 1, City has the ability to create a new TIF District, if needed, for another purpose
 - With TID 5/Aurora project coming in at \$80M this would represent about 9% of the City overall value depending on final Aurora values after TID 3/ERTID 1 close.
 - TIF law allows a TIF to be created up to 12% of City Value
 - A NEW TID In the works????
 - Downtown; New Subdivision; Industrial Complex;

Comments/Questions so far

Financial Planning

- A Financial Plan is KEY
 - Look at all current and future financial needs, including Utility
 - Current Levy covers General Fund operations
 - What about Capital and Equipment? How will we fund these and ensure it is comprehensive?
 - A long range Financial Plan and ongoing management of the plan is necessary
 - Helps in our S&P ratings
 - Makes sure we don't end up in a financial hole we can't get out of
 - May end reliance on "iffy" revenues like Expenditure Restraint, or property sales.
 - Are Water Simplified Rate Increases and low (3%) Sewer rate increases enough?
 - Projects on the horizon are looming large. Strontium/Radium at all wells, Storm Water Management, Phosphorus and other items mandated by the DNR and the EPA.
 - Issue debt or raise rates? A combination of both!

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Financial Planning

- The Study is the thing!
 - Outside help and look at our operations history and future needs
 - Strategic Planning that is actually used and adhered to
 - Commitment to spend the dollars needed to plan and study the issues
 - Most Municipal studies can range from \$10,000 to \$50,000. (Ehlers \$21k for 7-10 Year plan)
 - Return on this investment will be realized in best practices.
 - Fiduciary responsibility with tax payer dollars dollars well spent.
 - A way to keep operations funded AND to keep projects funded.
 - Using dollars correctly with a plan to fill gaps and use resources.
 - Nothing should be off limits look at EVERYTHING!

This will lead to a roadmap for the future to allow staff to fund the general operations and minor capital, while focusing the elected officials on appropriate spending for large capital projects within our means.

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Financial Planning

Comments/Questions regarding this information

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- Other Discussion
 - Comments/Questions on any items discussed tonight
- Next Week
 - Levy Limits and State Expenditure Restraints Review if needed
 - Capital Improvement Plan
 - Equipment Replacement Fund
 - Funding Options for Capital and Equipment Funds
 - Debt Service?
 - Decide on November 6 Budget Workshop