

JOHNSTON CITY COUNCIL  
Worksession No. 16-02  
Johnston City Hall, 6221 Merle Hay Road  
**TUESDAY**, January 19, 2016  
**5:30 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Lindeman called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.  
Mayor Dierenfeld arrived at 5:58 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Clabaugh, Lindeman, Brown, Cope, Temple

Absent: None

Council Member Clabaugh arrived at 6:09 p.m.

2. BUDGET DISCUSSION

a. Budget and Tax Rate

City Administrator Jim Sanders and Finance Director Teresa Rotschafer reviewed the budget memo presented to the Council. They discussed valuations as well as roll back impacts. They noted that the budget as presented, which includes funding the Capital Equipment Replacement program but does not include Decision Packages, gives a preliminary tax rate of \$11.32. They reminded the Council that the current rate is \$11.50.

b. Funding of Decision Packages

Sanders and Rotschafer discussed the prioritization of Decision Packages as well as their funding sources.

The Council noted their consensus with moving to an \$11.40 tax rate and working to fund those Decision Packages which had been identified as priorities.

There was also discussion regarding the funding of the outside organization requests. Sanders noted that a number of metro communities were opting out of the Homeland Security agreement as there were other resources available. Council members were comfortable in opting out as well. Discussion ensued regarding the use of the General Fund reserves, which are currently at 32%.

The Mayor noted that with the Council's direction, staff should be able to come back with a proposed budget at the \$11.40 rate.

3. GREEN MEADOWS FLUME DISCUSSION

Moved to the regular agenda due to time constraints.

4. DISCUSS SPEED LIMITS ALONG NW 78<sup>th</sup> AVENUE, NW 100<sup>th</sup> STREET AND NW 107<sup>th</sup> STREET

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The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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Paula S. Dierenfeld, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cyndee D. Rhames, City Clerk