

CITY OF BRADENTON
BUDGET HEARING #1
September 9, 2015
5:01 P.M
MINUTES

The City of Bradenton City Council met in the City Hall Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida, at 5:01 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, for the first of two public hearings on the proposed 2015-2016 City of Bradenton budget.

Present: Mayor Wayne Poston; Councilman Ward 1 Gene Gallo; Vice Mayor/Councilman Ward II Gene Brown; Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff; Councilman Ward IV Bemis Smith; and Councilman Ward V Harold Byrd, Jr.

City Officials: Carl Callahan, City Administrator; Michael Radzilowski, Police Chief; Claude Tankersley, Public Works Director; Chuck Edwards, Fire Chief; and Tim Polk, Department of Planning & Community Development Manager; and William Lisch, City Attorney.

City Administrator, Carl Callahan, stated that the purpose of tonight's meeting was twofold: (1.) To provide a public hearing for anyone who may have questions or wished to speak about the proposed budget (2.) To adopt the tentative millage rate and the tentative budget to move it forward for advertising purposes and to the final public hearing to be held on September 16, 2015.

Mr. Callahan indicated that the proposed millage rate of 5.8976 was 4.56% over the rollback rate of 5.6403. He gave a brief presentation on the proposed budget with a recommendation that the millage rate be maintained at 5.8976. Taxable value this year was \$2,827,922,733 or a 7% increase from last year's ending taxable value, still less than prior to the recession. This increase was anticipated to bring in approximately \$15,844,452 in ad valorem taxes into a total general fund budget of \$41,858,849.

The Public Hearing was opened. No one came forward. The Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Callahan recommended the adoption of Resolution 15-22 and reiterated that this would set the tentative millage rate at 5.8976, which was above the rollback rate of 5.6403, or a 4.56% increase.

RESOLUTION 15-22

A RESOLUTION LEVYING TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016, AND PROVIDING FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS ARISING FROM SAID LEVY; ALSO THE DISBURSEMENTS OF CERTAIN OTHER FUNDS.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF RESOLUTION 15-22 AND SET THE SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 WAS MADE BY Councilman Roff, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and approved 5:0.

Mr. Callahan recommended approval of Resolution 15-23 which would adopt the tentative budget of \$97,423,782. The final budget hearing would be held at 5:01 p.m. on Sept. 16, 2015 and would be properly advertised in the Bradenton Herald.

RESOLUTION 15-23

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BUDGET AND SETTING REVENUES AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 15-23 AND SET THE SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 WAS MADE BY Councilman Roff, seconded by Vice Mayor Brown, and approved 5:0.

There being no further business, Mayor Poston adjourned the meeting at 5:21 p.m.

NOTE: This is not a verbatim record. An audio CD or DVD recording of the meeting is available for a fee upon request.