

**CITIZENS' ADVISORY BUDGET COMMITTEE (CABC)**

**Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: 2/4/2020                      Time: 6:30PM                      Location: AMC Ponderosa Room  
 Next Meeting: 3/10/2020                      Time: 6:30PM                      Location: AMC Ponderosa Room

**MISSION STATEMENT:** The mission of the Citizens' Advisory Budget Committee (CABC) is to study all phases of the budget of the City of Aurora and to make recommendations to City Council in regard to any and all budget matters.

The CABC accomplishes the mission by examining and evaluating needs and priorities as they relate to the budget and by making recommendations for action to the City Council.

**ATTENDANCE**

Name		Name		Name		Name	
Mustafa Abdullah	P	Danielle Lammon	P	Jonathan Scott	P	<b>COA Staff</b>	
Ananiya Asrat	P	Jason Legg	P?	Don Seven	P	Greg Hays	P
Sunny Banka	P	Brian Matisse	E	JulieMarie Shepherd Macklin	P		
Tikneshia L. Beauford	P	Omar Montgomery	P	Craig Upston	P		
Jeff Brown	P	<del>David Patterson</del>	R	Michael Westerberg	P		
Reno Carollo	P	George Peck	P	Leanne Wheeler	P	<b>Public/Guests</b>	
Hashim Coates	P	Joshua Reddell	P				
Michael Himawan	E	David Rich	P				

Key: P=Present E=Excused A=Absent R=Resigned

**HANDOUTS**

**(Emailed to committee)**

CABC March Agenda (Revised version sent March 6, 2020 via email)
February 4, 2020 Meeting Minutes (sent March 6, 2020 via email)
CABC Roster (updated version sent on March 6, 2020)
CABC Council Priorities

**MINUTES**

1. Call to Order	At 6:30, the suggestion was made to delay the start time of the meeting until 6:35. (This was related to the transition and process of moving the meeting to teleconference call.) Leanne Wheeler (Chair) called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.	
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2. Roll Call/ Establishment of Quorum	<p>Roll call was taken by Jonathan Scott and a quorum was present.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leanne explained the reason for moving the meeting to conference call (related to the coronavirus worries), then explained the decorum and protocol for the meeting.</li> </ul>	
3. Approval of March Agenda	<p>After explaining the need to move agenda item #4 (it will be moved to the April meeting), Leanne Wheeler entertained a motion to approve the March Agenda. A motion was made to approve the March Agenda by Danielle Lammon and seconded by Reno Carollo.</p>	<p>Motion Carried Yes: Unanimous No: 0 Abstain: 0</p>
<del>4. Speaker: Michael Lawson (Revenue)</del>	<p><i>This was tabled until next month (as a result of the meeting format change).</i></p>	
5. Approval of February Minutes	<p>A motion was made to accept the minutes for the February 4, 2020 meeting by George Peck and seconded by Michael Westerberg.</p>	<p>Motion Carried Yes: Unanimous No: 0 Abstain: 6</p>
6. Priorities and Selection of Subcommittees	<p>Leanne Wheeler welcomed the two newest members of the CABC. She then asked them to introduce themselves and update the Committee on their Council Members budget priorities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mustafa Abdullah – Was appointed by Alison Coombs. His (and her) priorities for the budget committee study are housing, homelessness, and venue-related items. He is a community organizer who organizes and would like to see an increase in entertainment venues.</li> <li>• Tikneshia Beauford (prefers to be called “Tish”) – was appointed by Alison Coombs. Alison relayed to Tish that her priorities include: (1) Spending – housing, homelessness, housing first, housing for emergencies, permanent housing developments for low income, housing trust fund, community gathering spaces, engagements for community, and Infrastructure; (2) Revenue Diversification – Trash Hauling (Fees and Regulations), Municipal Enterprises (like banking, broadband, etc.) and a proactive approach to roads, sustainable focus on infrastructure including electrification and renewable energies.</li> </ul> <p>Leanne Wheeler then asked the committee to consider the list of Council priorities (that was sent by email) and find overlapping desires. The CABC would then develop subcommittees based upon the collaborated feedback.</p>	<p>Motion Carried Yes: Unanimous No: 0 Abstain: 0</p>

The following council priorities were discussed:

**Mayor Coffman**

1. Address \$20 million road maintenance / Infrastructure Shortfall
2. Marijuana Sales Tax Increase 1% to backfill spending reduction to NEXUS programs
3. ~~Organizing efforts to address veteran homelessness~~
4. Widening of Gun Club Road

**CM Murillo, Ward I**

1. Analyze Sunsetting Incentives
2. Affordable Housing

**CM Johnston, Ward II**

1. Youth Activity / Precursor to Violence
2. Criminal Justice Reform
3. Climate Action Plan
4. Metro Districts

**CM Berzins, Ward III**

1. Transportation
2. Juvenile Event Programming
3. Allocation of Oil and Gas towards Transportation Shortfall

**CM Marcano, Ward IV**

1. Affordable Housing
2. Municipal Enterprises
3. City / County
4. Priority Based Budgeting
5. Campaign Finance Reform
6. Council Staff Pay

**CM Coombs, Ward V**

1. Spending
  - a. Housing and Homelessness
  - b. Community Gathering Spaces (event venues)
  - c. Infrastructure
2. Revenue Diversification
  - a. Trash Hauling (Fees and Regulations)

- b. Municipal Banking
- c. Other Municipal Enterprises

**CM Bergan, Ward VI**

- 1. Capital Projects (Gun Club)
- 2. New infrastructure
- 3. Maintenance Needs
- 4. Prioritize City services (FD, PD, PW, Parks)
- 5. Growth of Commercial / Retail

**CM Gardner, At Large**

- 1. Roads (\$20 million unfunded)
- 2. Public Safety / Code Enforcement
- 3. Oil & Gas Severance
- 4. Capital Projects
- 5. City Staff Compensation
- 6. Public Spaces
- 7. Commercial Development

**CM Gruber, At Large**

- 1. Allocation of Oil and Gas revenue for infrastructure (\$21 mill addressed)
- 2. Revenue Diversification
- 3. Veteran issues

**CM Hiltz, At Large**

- 1. Community Wealth Building
- 2. Public Enterprises
- 3. Evaluations (Tax incentives benchmarks and study)

**CM Lawson, At Large**

- 1. Cultural Arts Center
- 2. Innovation Area
- 3. Affordable Housing
- 4. Transportation Services

- A question was asked regarding what the subcommittees work would include. After giving a reminder/overview of the purpose of the CABC, Leanne (and several other veteran members of the committee) gave an explanation regarding the basic process,

history, work and expectations involved with sub-committee work. An explanation of the July workshop was also given.

- After much discussion, a motion was made to develop the five subcommittees which were proposed as a result of the discussion. (Michael Westerberg made the motion and Reno Carollo seconded).
- Leanne Wheeler encouraged the CABC members to join sub-committees in which their appointers were prioritizing. The members of the sub-committees were then given the option to self-appoint during the current meeting or inform Leanne within the following 24-48 hours of their self-appointment.

The following CABC sub-committees were developed:

**CABC Subcommittee Participation:**

• **Infrastructure (Transportation)**

- Sunny Banka
- Jeff Brown
- George Peck
- David Rich
- JulieMarie Shepherd Macklin (1)
- Craig Upston
- Dustin (*Bergan appointment*)

• **Housing (Homelessness)**

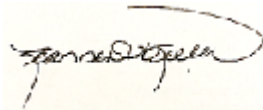
- Tikneshia (Tish) Beauford
- Joshua Reddell
- Don Seven
- Michael Westerberg (2)
- Leanne Wheeler (2)

• **Revenue/Capital Generation**

- Hashim Coates
- Danielle Lammon
- George Peck
- Jonathan (Jono) Scott (*2<sup>nd</sup> choice – will back out if group gets too big*)
- Michael Westerberg

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dustin (<i>Bergan appointment</i>)</li> <li>● <b><u>Public Safety</u></b> (Police and Fire compensation, numbers/retention, youth violence, etc.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Danielle Lammon</li> <li>○ Brian Matise</li> <li>○ Joshua Reddell</li> <li>○ Leanne Wheeler (1)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b><u>Venues</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jeff Brown</li> <li>○ Reno Carollo</li> <li>○ Brian Matise</li> <li>○ Jono Scott (1)</li> <li>○ JulieMarie Shepherd Macklin (2)</li> <li>○ Craig Upston</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>*Mustafa Abdullah, Ananiya Asrat, Omar Montgomery, Michael Himiwan, and Jason Legg's self-appointments are yet to be determined.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· The committee agreed that the next steps will be to get together at next meeting in order to set the Chair and Vice-chair of each sub-committee. From then on, the subcommittee work will be done outside of the monthly meetings.</li> <li>· It was also clarified that sub-committees should plan and implement meetings with city staff/departments through Greg Hays (for approval and scheduling).</li> </ul>	
7. Budget Update	<p>Greg Hays tabled this agenda item until the next meeting. He informed the committee that the nature of the meeting (teleconference) would make it difficult for a proper explanation of the charts. He will report twice at next month's meeting.</p> <p>.</p>	
8. Open Comments	<p>A. Housekeeping:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Michael Lawson (City Staff) will present on Revenue Options at next month's meeting.</li> <li>● There is a City Management and Finance Committee Meeting on March 17<sup>th</sup> at noon. An invitation was extended to the CABC by CM Gruber. It will be at the</li> </ul>	

	<p>Aurora Central Library (in the small, Central Room). It will be an opportunity to share council priorities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reno thanked the executive committee for how they ran the meeting.</li> <li>• Tish said that she is glad to be on the committee and is looking forward to working with everybody in the future.</li> <li>• Mustafa also thanked everybody.</li> </ul> <p>B. Future 2020 Meeting Dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 7<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm)</li> <li>• May 5<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm)</li> <li>• June 2<sup>nd</sup> (6:30pm)</li> <li>• July 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> (5:30) 2-day Budget Workshop</li> <li>• August 4<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm)</li> <li>• September 1<sup>st</sup> (6:30pm)</li> <li>• October 6<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm)</li> <li>• November 10<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm) (<i>moved from Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> - Election Day</i>)</li> <li>• December 1<sup>st</sup> (7:00pm, after AMC Lighting of the Lights)</li> </ul>	
9. Meeting Adjourned	Leanne Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 8:04pm.	




March 3, 2020

Date of Approval