

WORK SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF EXCELSIOR SPRINGS
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MISSOURI
JULY 1, 2013

The City Council of the City of Excelsior Springs, Missouri met in a Work Session on Monday, July 1, 2013 at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Hall of Waters Building to discuss the proposed City Budget for a general overview of the fiscal year Oct. 1, 2013 to Sept. 30, 2014. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ambrose Buckman.

Roll Call of Members: Present: Mayor Buckman, Mayor Pro-Tem Eales,
Councilman McElwee (arrived at 5:45 pm),
Councilwoman Morgan (In at 5:25 pm), and
Councilman St. John

Absent: None

Present Representing the City: David Haugland, City Manager
Steve Marriott, Director of Administrative Services
John McGovern, Police Chief
Clint Reno, Police Captain
Kent Cantrell, Fire Chief
Chad Birdsong, Public Works Director
Tom Wall, Director of Utilities
Larry Murry, Building Inspector

BUDGET COMMENTS:

Steve Marriott, Director of Administrative Services distributed the 2013-2014 Overview of Budget Worksheets for the General Fund. The worksheets currently include the following three scenarios:

- No raises
- 2% Cost of Living Increase effective on January 1, 2014
- 2% Cost of Living Increase effective on January 1, 2014 plus 1.5% of regular salaries and wages to allow for merit increases.

The following assumptions are included in the budget:

- Stable revenues in most categories.
- Health insurance increase of 15%
- Property and liability insurance increase of 10%
- Gasoline and diesel prices assumed to be fairly stable
- Transition of the Senior Center to Parks and Recreation resulting in the MARC grant being moved to Parks and Recreation and a reduction in transfers in from Parks and Recreation
- Contracting with the County Collectors for collection of City taxes
- An upgrade of the City's accounting software to OneSolution which should be more user-friendly for the departments

The following capital purchases are included in the general fund budget:

One police cruiser -	\$28,500
One bus -	\$63,000 (wholly funded by grant proceeds and a transfer from Transportation Trust)
Two mowers -	\$28,000 (fully funded by Road and Bridge)
Minor equipment	\$ 3,450

The approximate projection is \$191,353 deficit for FY2014. Further review and additional cuts will be conducted in the proposed budget.

With no further business at hand, Mayor Buckman adjourned the Budget Work Session at 5:55 PM.

ATTEST:

AMBROSE BUCKMAN, MAYOR

SHANNON STROUD, CITY CLERK