



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

City Council

Thursday, June 16, 2022
4:00 PM

REVISED Budget Work Session

Council Chambers
Columbia City Hall
701 E. Broadway

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Buffaloe called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Present: 6 - Peters, Skala, Pitzer, Waner, Buffaloe, and Foster

Absent: 1 - Fowler

Presentation by OpenGov

Mayor Buffaloe introduced Finance Staff Matthew Lue and Andrea Greer. Greer began by explaining that OpenGov is a budgeting, strategic plan, capital improvement, transparency computer program that Finance would like Council input on before the purchase.

Budget Officer, Andrea Greer introduced three representatives of OpenGov to give a presentation to Council Members.

OpenGov is built ground-up, cloud based, and based on Government Accounting Best Practices sourced from many OpenGov customers and GFOA. OpenGov offers streamlined, priority budgeting, high quality and timely reporting and enables staff to share information with the public. OpenGov is built for security and has 24/7 safeguards and is continuously improving. OpenGov is built for Government only, is cloud based and has 300+ years of government experience on staff.

Representatives met with several staff members prior to today's Council meeting to determine the City's needs. OpenGov will work with City Staff with budgeting and planning and has a reporting and transparency platform. Areas of focus for the City of Columbia include streamlined, priority budgeting, high quality & timely reporting and community engagement.

Mayor Buffaloe mentioned she likes that the Strategic Plan is tied into this program and asked if this program works together with Tyler/Munis. Greer indicated yes, Munis and OpenGov work together to transfer accurate information.

Council Members, staff and representatives from OpenGov discussed this program further. Finance indicated this program will help be able to identify specific areas of expenditures and easy access for reporting.

Budget Work Session Presentation

At approximately 5:05 p.m. Mayor Buffaloe turned the meeting over to Finance staff to discuss the budget work session presentation.

Greer stressed the importance of having budgetary priorities. She mentioned the City Manager's FY23 priorities which include employee engagement and compensation,

social services/community assistance, public transportation and public safety. Greer wants further discussion on what City Council's priorities are, if they differ from the City Manager's or if they would like to add additional priorities.

Mayor Buffaloe mentioned at the Council retreat Council priorities were discussed. Some priorities identified at the retreat fell within the City Manager's priorities. Mayor Buffaloe indicated some of these priorities included:

Advocating for leadership positions being filled with qualified applicants

City Staffing

Paid Family Leave

Equity Lense

Funding stream to underserved neighborhoods

Affordable/homeless housing

CAAP

Public Safety

Violence interruption

Communications

Community Engagement and Governmental Decision Making

Unified Development Code Review

Boards and Commissions processes

Efficiency and Decision Making

Pitzer said reliable infrastructure and resilient economy are part of the Strategic Plan and should be included.

II. ANY OTHER ITEMS COUNCIL MAY WISH TO DISCUSS

None.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Buffaloe adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:12 p.m.