

**CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
SPECIAL SESSION**

The Dubuque City Council met in special session at 6:00 p.m. February 8, 2018 in the Historic Federal Building, 350 W. 6th Street.

Present: Mayor Buol, Council Members Del Toro, Jones, Larson, Resnick, Rios; Shaw; City Manager Michael Van Milligen

Mayor Buol read the call and stated this is a special session of the City Council called for the purpose of discussing various City Departmental Fiscal Year 2019 budgets.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS
FISCAL YEAR 2019 DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET REVIEW**

Fiscal Year 2019 City departmental budgets were presented by staff from the following departments:

1. **Carnegie-Stout Public Library:** Susan Henricks, Library Director. Following discussion, the City Council reached consensus on holding over Improvement Package 4 of 7 Author Visits in Adult Programming for further discussion to the February 28 final budget hearing.
2. **Planning Services:** Laura Carstens, Planning Services Manager. Following her presentation, Ms. Carstens stated that hard copies of the Dubuque 2032 Comprehensive Plan are available for \$20 from the department, on free CDs or downloaded for free from the City's webpage.
3. **Finance Department:** Jean Nachtman, Finance Director.
4. **Human Rights Department:** Kelly Larson, Human Rights Director. Responding to questions from the City Council, Ms. Larson offered to look at some alterations to the online citizen complaint form. City Manager Van Milligen stated that the Human Rights Department could be asked to provide input regarding proposed redevelopment of the North End Neighborhood and offered information on City-wide and partnering housing programs already available that address concerns about gentrification.
5. **Dubuque Regional Airport:** Robert Grierson Airport Manager. Mr. Grierson responded to questions from the City Council following his presentation.
Council Member Del Toro requested Improvement Package 1 of 1 for additional marketing funds be held for further discussion at the February 28, final budget hearing. The City Council discussed reaching consensus on adding an unrecommended budget request into the budget at the time it's presented versus identifying an item for further discussion to determine funding changes at the final public hearing. City Manager Van Milligen noted that the amount of property tax impact for each improvement packages is stated in the individual department's budget outlines to aid the Council in determining the amount of property tax impact if a corresponding funding cut isn't identified.
6. **Health Services:** Mary Rose Corrigan, Public Health Specialist. Ms. Corrigan responded to questions from the City Council following her presentation.

Following each presentation, Mayor Buol called for public input.

There being no further business, upon motion the City Council adjourn at 9:44 p.m.

/s/Kevin S. Firnstahl, CMC
City Clerk

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