

MINUTES
FINANCE COMMITTEE- REGULAR MEETING NO 1.
CITY OF ST. CLOUD, FLORIDA- CITY HALL
1300 NINTH ST., ST. CLOUD, FL 34769
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS-BUILDING A, 3rd FLOOR
Tuesday, July 22, 2019
6:00 PM

I. Chairman Rinehart called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

II. Roll Call:

Chairman	-	Rinehart
Vice Chair	-	Gonzalez
Member	-	Girdner
Member	-	Darnell
Member	-	Brown

Staff Attending:

Bill Sturgeon, City Manager
Wendy Collazo, Finance Director
Dawn Murray, Budget-Revenue & Billing Administrator
Donna Cooley-Comptroller
Claudia Klockars, Executive Administrative Assistant

III. Current Business

Chairman Rinehart introduced Jay Glover from PFM Financial Advisors who presented a refunding program to those present.

Member Girdner asked if there was some type of prepayment penalty in regards to the program presented.

Mr. Glover responded there is no prepayment penalty.

Member Girdner questioned Jay Glover about possibly paying this debt utilizing the program within the next 60 to 90 days.

Mr. Glover responded that money would be put into an escrow account which would mature at a later date and that would be when the bonds would be paid off.

Member Girdner asked what the term would be on the bonds.

Mr. Glover responded they would match the existing term.

Member Brown asked if that was the latest the contract would have to be signed.

Mr. Glover responded there is no contract that would need to be signed. The City Council would receive a bond resolution that would approve the financing and delegate to the City Manager and

the other officials to close the financing.

Member Darnell stated if the rates would be lowering over the next year, why is there a rush to agree to the program at hand.

Mr. Glover stated it takes time for the documents to be prepared and there is nothing that requires for the City to accept the proposition now, it just gives PFM the flexibility to start as they see fit.

Chairman Rinehart asked for Ms. Collazo's opinion on this matter.

Ms. Collazo stated she recommends it is the best option for the City due to the rates decreasing.

Chairman Rinehart asked for a recommendation from the Committee.

Member Darnell asked if the committee had to recommend something at this moment.

Ms. Collazo stated to keep in mind this is just a recommendation just to start the process not to finalize; City Council does have to authorize the process first.

Chairman Rinehart asked if the subject could be revisited at the next Finance Committee meeting.

Member Girdner recommended the City go ahead and move forward with the refunding opportunity for the Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds.

Chairman Rinehart called for a second motion, Vice Chairman Gonzalez responded aye.

Chairman Rinehart asked if all in favor, to which all replied, aye, passed (5-0).

Ms. Collazo stated she would deliver the third quarter audit reports, reporting through June 30, 2019. She would review it and await any questions or comments. The purpose of the report was to highlight the City performance and Ms. Collazo provided a summary of the report.

Member Girdner asked if the OUC inter local also was a billing lag.

Ms. Collazo responded it is more of a matter of obtaining our receivables and seeing where we are at with them.

Member Girdner asked why the building fund was only at 46.2 compared to the budget.

Ms. Collazo responded that certain things have not been booked in and it is not a precise snapshot of the budget. She will try and obtain a better projection.

Member Darnell inquired about the sanitation fund studies that are supposed to be done and if the studies will be in the budget presentation in the future.

City Manager Sturgeon stated there was a solid waste study done and the numbers look better in 2018.

Mrs. Cooley presented the quarter to date numbers and asked if anyone had any questions about what was discussed.

Chairman Rinehart stated to be prepared for next committee meeting which will discuss the budget. The date for the meeting is October 29 which will be the fourth quarter meeting.

Member Brown asked if they will get an update from Jay Glover's presentation.

Member Rinehart stated if someone can please make a log of that to make sure it is discussed.

Member Brown asked about the equity debt ratio and if there are any concerns.

Ms. Collazo stated she does not have any concerns with it at this time and the debt has on the contrary been reduced.

Member Girdner stated her question is similar as to what is the City's goal when it comes to paying off debt. Ms. Collazo stated streamlining debt is one of the main projects in mind.

Chairman Rinehart adjourned the regular meeting and stated the budget workshop meeting will reconvene at 7:10pm.

VI. Chairman, Board Members Comments

There were no comments at this time.

VII. Audience Comments

There were no comments at this time.

X. Adjournment 6:58pm

Date Approved

David Rinehart
Chairman