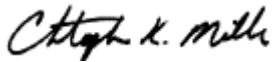


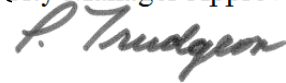
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date: 06/17/13
Item No.: 14.a

Department Approval



City Manager Approval



Item Description: Consider Setting Additional Council Meetings for the Purpose of Discussing the 2014 Budget

BACKGROUND

At the June 10, 2013 City Council meeting, the Council agreed to set additional City Council meetings for the purposes of discussing the 2014 Budget. More specifically, the Council expressed a desire to create a forum that would allow individual City Departments to identify operational issues that will impact the 2014 Budget, while also promoting an interactive exchange between the Council and Staff regarding those issues.

The Council is asked to consider establishing 3 separate meetings during the weeks of:

- ❖ June 24th (excluding the June 25th Public Works Commission meeting date)
- ❖ July 8th (excluding July 8th Council meeting & July 10th Planning Commission meeting)
- ❖ July 15th (excluding July 15th Council meeting)

Conceivably, the Council could elect to use the July 8th and/or the July 15th regularly scheduled Council meetings for purposes of primarily discussing the budget rather than scheduling a separate meeting. Conducting a 2-hour budget discussion on these nights would still allow ample time for a consent agenda and light discussion on other topics.

Following these special budget meetings, it is hoped that the Council can provide final budget direction at the July 22nd City Council meeting. City Staff would then spend the next few weeks drafting the City Manager Recommended Budget with the intent on presenting that Recommendation at the August 12th or 19th meeting.

POLICY OBJECTIVE

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Council consider adding these meetings for the purposes of discussion the 2014 Budget.

30 **REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION**

31 Motion to establish additional City Council meetings for the purposes of discussing the 2014 Budget.

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Attachments: A: Not applicable.