

City of Portland Finance Committee Minutes - May 9, 2018

Attendees: Chair Nick Mavodones (NM), Committee Members Justin Costa (JC) and Ethan Strimling (ES), City Councilors Duson, Thibodeau, Cook and Ray. School Board Members Trevorrow, Davis, Vendil, Balfantz and Atkinson, Members of City and School Staff, Media and Public

Meeting Called to Order

Brief presentation from Portland Public School (PPS) Staff on Q&A Received at 4-26-18 Meeting including additional Q&A from Councilors  
Presentation of follow up Q&A from City Finance Director including additional Q&A from Councilors

Motion to approve PPS budget as presented made by ES, Seconded by JC, discussion begins.

Amendment to PPS budget to reduce overall appropriation to \$110,578,716 from JC, seconded by NM - Passes 2-1 (ES opposed)

Motion to table PPS budget made by ES, seconded by JC, passes 3-0

Motion to take up FY19 City Manager Recommended budget: ES 1st, JC 2nd - discussion

**Amendments to the main motion**

- That the Building Permit Fee increase to 1.75%, instead of the recommended 1.5% increasing revenues by \$400,000 in the Inspections & Permitting Department, account 100-25- 02; Motion made by ES, seconded by JC - Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)
- That Business Licensing Fees be increased 10%, increasing revenues by \$120,000 in the Permitting and Inspections Department, account 100-25-04; Motion made by ES, seconded by NM - Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)
- That the payment for Supplemental Services from Portland Downtown be increased by \$200,000, increasing revenues in the Public Works Department, account 100-31-16; Motion made by ES, seconded by NM - Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)
- That Youth League fees be eliminated, decreasing revenues by \$47,000 in the Parks while raising expenditures by \$9,000, for a gain of \$56,000 in Recreation and Facilities Department, account 100-33-13; Motion made by ES, seconded by JC Passes 3-0
- That the increase in Before and After School Fees be eliminated, decreasing revenues by 100,000 in the Parks, Recreation and Facilities Department, account 100-33- 14; Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)
- That the increase in summer camp fees be eliminated, decreasing revenues by 12,000 in the Parks, Recreation and Facilities Department, account 100-33- 14; Passes 3-0
- That the fees for registering short term rental units be increase to \$500.00 for the 1st unit, \$1,000 for the 2nd unity; \$2,000 for the 3rd unit, \$3,000 for the 4th unit and \$5,000 for the 5th unit, increasing revenues by \$250,000 in the Permitting and Inspections Department account 100-25-03; Motion made by ES, seconded by JC Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)
- That dues for the Greater Portland Council of Governments be eliminated, reducing expenditure by \$67,850, in Memberships and Contributions, account 100-65-07; Motion made by ES, seconded by JC Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)
- That the expenditure for July 4th fireworks be eliminated, reducing that expenditure by \$35,000, in the Parks, Recreation and Facilities Department, account 100-33-10; Motion made by ES, seconded by JC Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)
- That implementation of wage increases in the wage study be reduced by \$100,000 and be made only to those making less than \$100,000, only in fiscal year 2019, in various departments; Motion made by NM, seconded by ES Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)
- That one new Office of Economic Opportunity Program Coordinator be added, increasing by \$63,686 the budget in the Executive Department, account 100-19- 20; Motion made by ES, seconded by JC Fails 1-2 (ES in favor)

Motion from JC to pass the FY19 City Manager Recommended budget as amended, ES seconds - Passes 3-0

Motion from ES to un-table the PPS budget, JC seconds - Passes 3-0

Motion from JC to pass the FY19 PPS budget as amended, NM seconds - Passes 2-1 (ES opposed)

Move to adjourn JC, seconded by ES. Passes 3-0