



City of
HAWTHORNE
Florida

Minutes
CITY COMMISSION BUDGET WORKSHOP
Wednesday, September 6, 2023
5:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER- Mayor Randall

1. Invocation- skipped
2. Pledge of Allegiance- skipped

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved to approve the agenda.

Motion- Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson Second- Commissioner Howard

Mayor Randall	Yes
Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson	Yes
Commissioner Howard	Yes
Commissioner Martin	Yes
Commissioner Cue	Yes

Vote 5-0

C. AGENDA ITEM(S)

1. Proposed Budget FY 2023-2024

The City Commission discussed the previous changes made to the budget.

The City Commission discussed the probability of increasing the commissioner's salary. After discussion the City Commission agreed to increase each commissioner's salary by \$150 per month.

The City Commission discussed decreasing staff cost of living increase. After discussion the City Commission agreed to decrease the staff cost of living from 5% to 2% with the option of getting a merit raise later if the funds are available. The City Commission would make a budget amendment.

The City Commission discussed the City Manager 5% increase being in the budget. After discussion the City Commission agreed that City Manager Martin would not receive a cost-of-living increase with the staff, but the funds would remain in the budget if the City Commission decided to give him an increase after his evaluation.

The City Commission suggested staff create a budget line item for Epic IT (Computer Support) under Contract Services.

The City Commission suggested separation of Parks & Recreation to add Lindsey Phillips Park, Hawthorne Athletic Park, and Museum.

The City Manager stated staff will provide quarterly reports in the next fiscal year.

The City Commission discussed the due to and due from accounts.

The City Commission asked for a separate sheet showing the surplus in each account.

The City Commission discussed the 3% increase in the Sanitation Fund for Residential and Commercial sales and asked the City Clerk to contact other clerks regarding garbage rates for residential and commercial.

D. CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

E. ADJOURN @ 7:33PM

These minutes are submitted for approval.

Lakesha H. McGruder, MMC
City Clerk

Jacquelyn Randall, Mayor