

CITY OF NORTH SALT LAKE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING-BUDGET
MARCH 6, 2021

FINAL

Mayor Arave called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Len Arave
Council Member Lisa Watts Baskin
Council Member Natalie Gordon
Council Member Brian Horrocks
Council Member Ryan Mumford
Council Member Stan Porter

STAFF PRESENT: Ken Leetham, City Manager; Paul Ottoson, City Engineer; David Frandsen, Public Works Director; Janice Larsen, Finance Director; Craig Black, Police Chief; Dane Stone, South Davis Metro Fire Chief; Tyler Abegglen, Golf Course General Manager; Sherrie Pace, Community Development Director; Linda Horrocks, City Recorder; Andrea Bradford, Minutes Secretary.

OTHERS PRESENT: Via Zoom: Derek Israelsen, Mindi Israelsen, Carlos Navarro, SLCFF, and another woman (did not sign in).

1. WELCOME

Ken Leetham thanked staff for their efforts in preparing the budget, particularly Janice Larsen. He said the budget was one step in a transition for the City and how rare it was to find a City so committed and motivated to its own wellbeing. Mr. Leetham said others had noticed this as well such as Wasatch Front Regional Council who highlighted that the City was doing things the right way regarding land use and affordable housing challenges. He said the City's financial position was excellent which would be demonstrated today, and the current financial condition would continue to support the changes the City Council wished to make that would continue to improve the quality of life for residents of North Salt Lake.

2. DISCUSSION OF FISCAL YEAR 2022 PROPOSED BUDGET & CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Ken Leetham reported on a new approach to reviewing the proposed budget by fund including governmental and enterprise funds. He said there would not be an emphasis on funds that did not have any changes, growth or staffing changes; rather, the meeting would go over all proposals to increase staffing, equipment, and changes to the City's general operations. Mr. Leetham showed a graph detailing the City's population growth of 23,738 residents in 2021 with an increase over

the next four years. He said at build-out the total would be approximately 27,000 to 30,000 depending on annexation.

Ken Leetham presented a graph that compared the number of permits issued from 2014 to 2021. Permits for 2021 included 60 single family lots, 35 townhomes, 171 multifamily rentals, 300 other permits, 5 new commercial buildings, and 60 commercial remodel/signs for a total valuation of \$70,000,000.

Janice Larsen reported on the General Fund, which was the chief operating fund. She said the budgeted and projected amounts were very close due to a midyear budget adjustment that was completed the previous month. She explained that the recommended budget for fiscal year (FY) 2022 showed very little increase in property tax in the General Fund because even though there was a lot of growth most of the funds would show as revenue in the Redevelopment Agency. Sales tax revenue continued to come in higher than expected with staff estimating a 4% increase for next year. There would be a decrease in the intergovernmental revenues due to CARES Act Funds in 2020, which would not be continued in the upcoming year. The biggest change would be in the Road Tax with transportation and C Road monies.

Ms. Larsen then spoke on expenditures and the most significant increases over last year's budget. This included a 1.5% cost of living adjustment (COLA) and step increases for staff that were built into the budget. This percentage was based off recommendations by the Bureau of Labor and Statistics, Utah Retirement Systems (URS) and Zions Bank, and she said there were approximately ten employees who were at the top of their range and would not receive a step increase. She said insurance rates from the provider would arrive at the end of the month, so she estimated a 10% increase. There was an increase in the Police Department with the addition of one officer and a 10% increase for the South Davis Metro Fire District.

Janice Larsen explained that the \$1.3 million in other financing sources/uses for the current year was excess fund balance, which was moved to the Capital Fund for future projects. The other significant transfers were \$998,000 restricted transportation tax for road projects as well as \$800,000 in unrestricted cash for other road funds per the City Council. She also explained that in the administrative expenses that the projected was over the budget as staff was expecting FEMA to reimburse the costs related to the windstorm event.

Council Member Mumford asked about fines and forfeiture and if there was a lot of asset forfeiture in the City, and how the numbers were projected. Janice Larsen replied that this was court fines and since they had only been able to hold court virtually due to the pandemic the amount had dropped significantly in 2020.

Chief Black commented that this was a hot topic in the State but said the City did not do any asset forfeiture. He said if there was a case with substantial funds that were illegally acquired it

would be turned over to Davis Metro Narcotics or to a federal task force. The City would not be the beneficiary of those assets.

Janice Larsen reported on the available cash in the General Fund and said this was available for the City Council to use in funds such as Roads, Parks, etc. She said if you tracked the General Fund expenditures compared to the budget it was generally always under by 2%, which was typical.

Council Member Baskin asked if this meant the City was 2% under what was needed or 2% over. Janice Larsen replied that the actual expenditures were 2% less.

Janice Larsen said it was safe to say that the City Council had around \$900,000 that they could chose to spend on projects without using fund balance.

Council Member Baskin questioned the budget line item, which said “due from other funds” related to the golf course. Janice Larsen responded that in previous years in the golf fund there was negative cash, so funds were borrowed from the Capital Fund to cover that negative balance. She said the reason why this was a due to/due from and not a transfer was because of the contract with the previous landowner/developer stating that they would receive a portion of any golf course income or the City would have to pay back the debt. Staff tracked the losses so when the golf course did make an income it could be offset with that.

Janice Larsen reported on the Capital Projects Fund and said there were not any budget items or expenditures, but in the current year there was the transfer in of the excess balance from the General Fund. This would also include the estimate of where the cash balance would be for the coming fiscal year. This transfer in would be \$100,000 from the Police Facilities Fund.

Mayor Arave clarified that the ending balance for the Capital Projects Fund was projected to be \$5,508,800 for FY 2021 and that \$3 million of that was for the golf course. Janice Larsen replied that the available cash in the Capital Projects Fund was approximately \$2.9 million.

Janice Larsen said the Housing Fund was very straightforward with the required 10% transfer from the Redevelopment Agencies per the tax increment.

Mayor Arave asked about the plans for the funds received from the Redevelopment Agencies. Ken Leetham said that the City did need to create a plan for the use of these funds. He said there were some legislative bills that recently passed which expanded the tools for local government to participate in affordable housing. Mr. Leetham suggested that the City Council and staff come up with a plan this year for those funds.

Council Member Baskin asked if the State Legislature or the Federal Government required that the City set aside 10% of those funds. Ken Leetham replied that the City set aside 10% when

they created the Community Development project areas (CDA) for Redwood Road and Highway 89 as well as Orbit, which had not yet been triggered. He said these funds were accumulating but were restricted in their use. He said the legislature recently expanded the tools and the purposes for those funds.

Council Member Mumford asked about unrestricted and restricted cash in the Housing Fund. Janice Larsen responded that these unrestricted funds were for the building façade grant revenue.

Council Member Mumford also asked about the homeowner repair program and if these funds could also be used for that? Ken Leetham replied affirmatively and said this was one of the uses the Council could consider.

Janice Larsen reported on the Public Safety Fund and said the police impact fee revenue that was being collected was used to repay the police portion of the construction of City Hall.

Ken Leetham reported on the Park Development Fund and the major park initiatives including the expansion of Hatch Park and the City Hall properties, the Foxboro Wetlands Park, and the ongoing Parks Asset Replacement Plan. He said the estimated construction costs for the Wetlands Park was \$3.2 million and Hatch Park was \$3.7 million. Mr. Leetham estimated it would take \$750,000 to acquire the remaining three parcels for the Hatch Park expansion and \$3 million for the construction of the park. He said there was a Hatch Park redesign committee who was working on the proposed design, but he was unsure how much the park estimate would actually be. The committee supported a new building such as a library, senior center, etc. Mr. Leetham said staff had identified available funding for the park including impact fees for Hatch Park and Redwood Road CDA funds for the Wetlands Park. This cash would allow the City to bond for \$5,525,000 over ten years at 4% with an estimated payment of \$565,000.

Ken Leetham showed the breakdown of the revenue for the Park Development Fund starting in 2021 through 2031. This included the available tax increment revenue from Redwood Road, the 55% debt payment, and the ending cash. He also reviewed the revenues available, the park impact fee revenue, and the RAP Tax revenue for Hatch Park in the Park Development Fund.

Council Member Mumford commented that the Redwood Road CDA ended in 2027. He asked what the estimated growth would be in the General Fund for 2028 and beyond. Ken Leetham commented that the City should currently be receiving 60% of the property tax generated from all the new growth in the CDA and 40% as TIF revenue. He said staff could try to calculate the amount.

Council Member Horrocks asked about the RAP tax and when this expired. Ken Leetham replied that it was every ten years and the RAP tax funds were being allocated to Hatch Park as the Wetlands Park was being funded by the Redwood Road CDA.

Council Member Horrocks asked about the 10% being set aside for the housing repair fund and asked if those funds could be used to purchase properties at Hatch Park. He suggested that the City could purchase homes in other parts of the City, renovate them, and do a 1031 exchange. Ken Leetham replied that this was a possibility. He said the legislature just clarified that local government could purchase property, act as a developer, and build, renovate and provide units.

Ken Leetham said the US 89 CDA TIF could also be used for the Hatch Park expansion. He said this was not reflected in the schedule as there were projects in the Town Center that the TIF could be used for but that this could be another source of revenue if necessary.

Mayor Arave asked if \$3 million dollars was too much to pay to improve the Wetlands Park. He felt that the park could be significantly improved for less. He also said there were other areas in the City that needed to be addressed including Hatch Park, Tunnel Springs expansion, and the landslide area. Ken Leetham replied that these areas would be included in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. He said the plan for the Wetlands Park could be revised and the City could reduce the funds expended.

Council Member Horrocks asked if the City could apply for federal funding to use on the Wetlands Park construction. Ken Leetham replied that staff had been unsuccessful in finding federal funds for the park.

Council Member Baskin spoke on public spending and asked who was paying for patient hospital stays due to COVID. Ken Leetham responded that as far as he knew patients were responsible for those costs.

Derek Israelsen (via Zoom) asked about potential bike parks for the City. Mayor Arave said that a bike park could be considered for the area above the landslide.

Council Member Porter asked what type of bike park Mr. Israelsen would be interested in. Derek Israelsen replied that he was the Woods Cross cycling coach and spoke on how riders were more easily injured on trails. He thought that a bike park or a pump track would be more conducive to skills training and safer for bike riders.

Ken Leetham replied that there were a couple of options for Derek Israelsen to participate with this request including the Parks and Arts Committee as well as feedback from the public for an amendment to the Parks and Recreation General Plan.

Council Members Porter and Mumford were in agreement that the area above the landslide would be a great location for a pump track and could be constructed affordably.

Council Member Mumford said that he also felt the Wetlands Park could also be completed for less than \$3 million and would still be an amazing park. He wanted to discuss beautification along Eagleridge Drive, the potential for a pump track, and other parks at a future meeting.

Derek Israelsen commented that the team and their families would be willing to provide community service, trail building, etc.

Mayor Arave asked if Mr. Israelsen was familiar with the property and had expertise in designing the track. Mr. Israelsen replied that he had contacts with experience and would reach out to them.

Ken Leetham reported on cash balances and the ongoing reinvestment in existing parks. Staff recommended \$250,000 per year for reinvestment in the parks. He said this year staff recommended \$440,000 to repair and replace aging park facilities with \$250,000 for reinvestment in subsequent years from the Park Capital Project Fund.

David Frandsen commented on the Parks reinvestment plan and said there would need to be some flexibility and adjustments every year. He gave the example of some repairs at Palmquist Park and an unexpected cost estimate of \$250,000 for dirt work. He said the repairs and replacement would be based off actual use and wear and tear rather than industry standards.

Mayor Arave asked about Fund 32 with the RAP Tax receipts and payments. He asked if there should be a separate fund for parks related to repairs/replacement. Janice Larsen replied that it would make sense to include it in the Parks Capital Project Fund.

Mayor Arave clarified that impact fees would go to the Parks Capital Projects Fund but could only be used on certain parks; however, park repairs and replacement could be paid for with RAP Tax funds. Janice Larsen replied that while it was complicated, she kept track via a schedule of how the money was spent which was easier for her than setting up a new fund.

Council Member Baskin spoke on the parks that were nearing replacement and said that she never realized the value of pocket parks. She said that while they were generally an afterthought that they were worth the investment.

Council Member Mumford said the City was close to making a decision on aging equipment and playgrounds at Mathis and Palmquist parks and felt that they should be invested in now.

Mayor Arave asked what was included in the \$440,000 for 2022 related to park repairs and expenditures. David Frandsen clarified that this plan focused on replacing what was already existing in the parks per industry standards.

Council Member Mumford said that the plan showed the breakdown for playgrounds with Stonehenge, Mathis, Palmquist, Oldam, Caleb, Buckingham, Boston, Cambria parks with an estimated cost of \$30,000 to \$75,000 for the play structure replacement for 2022. Ken Leetham commented that the plan for 2022 also included resurfacing of the tennis courts and other items for the \$440,000 proposed for 2022 versus the \$250,000 proposed for subsequent years.

Council Member Mumford and David Frandsen both spoke on flexibility and how some parks could last another year without replacement, such as Boston Park, and the funds could be put towards fixing other parks, including Palmquist. The Parks Trails Arts and Recreation Board had reviewed each park and given it a letter grade.

Ken Leetham said the investment of \$250,000 per year for park investment was a great starting point with a review of the parks yearly by staff and the Parks Committee with recommendations to the City Council.

There was a brief recess from 10:37 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.

Chief Dane Stone, South Davis Metro Fire (SDMF), reported that the budget for SDMF was setup through city assessments and property tax. He said the Davis County Sheriff's office would be discontinuing paramedic services and explained how each city paid a paramedic levy tax to the County. South Davis Metro Fire would then need to assess this tax and would pay back the County until 2022 when they ended the service. South Davis Metro Fire would then take on that fund. He said they currently had three paramedic units and would need to do a truth in taxation hearing to increase the funding through 2024. Chief Stone said staffing had increased by 30% with three on every truck and two on every ambulance.

Mayor Arave commented that staffing had not increased from 2005 to 2017. He said there was an increase in staffing in 2017 but the population had grown since then.

Chief Stone said that they were now meeting the National Fire Protection (NFPA) regulations for staffing with four firefighters on every engine and two on each ambulance but had occasions where they dropped down to minimum staffing. He commented that it was comforting to finally have appropriate staffing.

Mayor Arave stated that previously there were many part time employees and now there were only fulltime employees. Chief Stone replied that the part time staff filled in for vacation and sick leave, but the drawback was that part time staff had side jobs and could not keep up on certifications.

Chief Stone reported that they had combined with Salt Lake City to run all the new recruits through their fire academy. He said this arrangement was very beneficial as it was a 16 week course that resulted in great firefighters and was a cheaper option.

Chief Stone said that there was a need for daytime operational staff. The requested budget would include three new staff members including a logistics position over all stations and apparatus. He said there was over \$26 million in apparatus and buildings and currently they were being reactive instead of proactive. Chief Stone said there were 197 staff members that all required associated certifications and training. He said they were trying to obtain property, near the Holly Frontier refinery, to construct a training facility.

Council Member Mumford asked if Layton City and Davis County had training facilities. Chief Stone replied that Layton city had a facility but SDMF would have to pay to use it. He said Salt Lake City had a facility, but it was too far away to effectively utilize due to call volume.

Chief Stone said that funds had been set aside for a training facility, but it was difficult to find a property. He said that they had been working with Holly Frontier since 2007 and would continue to pursue this option. He said this facility would include a tank car from the railroad, refinery props, etc.

Council Member Porter asked if other refineries had been approached. Chief Stone replied that the other refineries were willing to help financially but he was hesitant to being in-debt to them. He said Holly Frontier had the most property but at this point he would be interested in around five acres in any industrial area.

Mayor Arave commented that the City was forecasting a 10% increase in the assessment to SDMF and asked if this seemed accurate. Ken Leetham replied that the City estimated 10% because the administrative committee would not recommend more than that.

Mayor Arave asked what the property tax increase might be. Chief Stone responded that the current property tax was 3.317% and was estimating 3.43%.

Ken Leetham commented that the District was short for the upcoming fiscal year approximately \$2.6 million with the two sources of revenue as member assessments and a property tax increase.

Chief Stone spoke on other items in the budget including a market salary adjustment, the three daytime staff positions, an ambulance, a brush truck, and staff vehicles, plus the need to build capital to replace three, 25-year-old reserve engines.

Council Member Mumford asked about the biggest challenges in the next 2-5 years. Chief Stone replied that he would like to do a strategic plan but felt the training center, the potential for a new fire station to meet the population growth, and the need for another ambulance and fire station expansion if there was an annexation.

Mayor Arave asked if there was a concern with personnel issues once North Davis County began hiring. Chief Stone said some of the Davis County Sheriff's Department paramedics would move

to other fire departments. He explained that SDMF did not require State certification fire 1 and 2 because all the recruits went through Salt Lake City's program and had more training. He said just because someone was a paramedic did not mean they would also want to be a firefighter but explained that they sent their recruits through paramedic school as well. Chief Stone said that the pay through SDMF was competitive as well.

Council Member Baskin asked about the levels of training to become an EMT versus a paramedic. Chief Stone replied that everyone in the fire department was an advanced EMT and had received advanced life support training. The paramedics went through an additional ten month training.

Mayor Arave asked about dispatch calls. Chief Stone responded that there was a discussion about the consolidation of dispatch. He said Clearfield would probably be eliminated and Bountiful would move to the same system that other cities were using which would be a good thing.

Chief Stone said another budget item was the station alert system, which was antiquated and would need to be replaced to work with the Spillman CAD dispatch system and would be roughly \$400,000 for all five stations.

Ken Leetham reported on the Road Development Fund and spoke on the 2018 road condition report (LTAP) that Utah State had performed for the City. He said staff used this study to make decisions regarding repairs, improvements, and maintenance. Mr. Leetham showed a map of street preservation with all the expenditures from 2018 to 2021 with a total of \$813,000. The next map showed street reconstruction at a total of \$5,623,809 including \$1,744,589 in associated sidewalks and trails. He said the proposed budget for this year was \$2 million in road projects.

Ken Leetham said in FY 2021 that \$4.2 million was proposed for the Road Capital Fund with \$2 million in FY 2022. He detailed the transfers from the General Fund and explained that per the LTAP study that the City needed to spend at least \$2 million on Road Capital projects every year to maintain and repair roads in the City.

Mayor Arave commented that the study showed that the roads were in poor condition. He asked if the City was making progress and if the City was spending enough on street preservation and if money could be saved on street repair. Ken Leetham commented that the City could spend more than \$2 million but that was the recommendation. He said the City had doubled the amount spent on street sealing to \$400,000.

Paul Ottoson commented that the LTAP study recommended the City spend \$420,000 each year on street preservations.

Ken Leetham said that the City only spent \$200,000 in FY 2020 due to the uncertainty with COVID. He said the proposal was to double the amount spent on street preservations in FY 2021 to make up for this.

Council Member Mumford said \$4.2 million was budgeted for FY 2021 for road preservations and street projects. Paul Ottoson replied that some of the street projects were carried over from FY 2020.

Council Member Mumford said if the City only spent \$200,000 and should have spent \$400,000 in FY 2020 that there was a need to increase the funds spent in FY 2021. He suggested that the City spend \$650,000 to meet the obligation for road maintenance. Council Member Horrocks seconded this suggestion.

Ken Leetham said there was funding for this so staff would add \$650,000 for road preservation to the proposed budget.

Janice Larsen suggested, as there was fund balance available in FY 2020, that a budget adjustment could be done to allow for \$400,000 to be allotted for this year. Council Member Horrocks commented that if prices were good that it may even be worth bonding for.

Council Member Mumford was in favor of this as well. David Frandsen said that it would be helpful for him to know as his crew performed crack sealing.

Council Member Gordon asked if both FY 2020 and 2021 budget amounts for road preservations should be raised to \$420,000. Council Members Porter and Mumford were in favor of this.

Mayor Arave was in favor of spending even more and asked that staff advise them if this was necessary.

Council Member Mumford asked if the standards for road construction needed to be increased in the event of the possible annexation. Paul Ottoson said the roads were designed for a twenty-year lifespan. He said neighborhood roads were lasting longer but the collector roads, particularly in Foxboro with ground water, were having issues. Mr. Ottoson suggested that even the addition of a fabric would be helpful.

Council Member Horrocks said it would be nice if the taxing entity that created the Class C Road Funds paid for the repairs instead of using General Funds to subsidize it.

Council Member Baskin asked why this was not happening. Council Member Horrocks stated that taxes were not raised for 20 years, road costs went up, car mileage increased, plus the addition of electric and natural gas cars may have had an impact.

Mayor Arave felt that this was addressed in the fourth quarter cent sales tax and if this was allocated for maintenance. Ken Leetham replied that he would review this.

Council Member Gordon asked if the City decided to proceed with the ten-year bond for Hatch Park, if that would be part of this budget process. Ken Leetham replied that staff would bring the bond proposal back to the City Council even if it did not line up with the budget schedule.

Mayor Arave asked if the City decided to bond what the timeline would be and if it would need to be part of the upcoming election. Ken Leetham said that the City Council would first need to adopt a resolution stating they intended to bond and would then adopt the bond approvals. He explained that a general obligation bond, which had a lower interest rate, would need to be part of the election as it could raise property taxes, etc.

Council Member Mumford commented that the proposal was not for a general obligation bond as it would be against a revenue stream, which meant it would not be part of the upcoming election.

There was a brief recess from 12:03 p.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Ken Leetham reported on Enterprise Funds and started with the Water Fund. He said there were not really any changes or rate increases proposed for the Water or Secondary Water Funds. Mr. Leetham said there was a five-year schedule proposed for water projects.

Council Member Baskin asked how much funding was dedicated to the Master Water study. Ken Leetham replied that it was approximately \$230,000 in the current year. He said an amendment would come to the City Council for approval.

Council Member Horrocks questioned when the Tanglewood Loop project would occur. Paul Ottoson replied that the Eaglewood Loop project was out for bid, which included the street reconstruction and water line project that would occur in the upcoming summer. He said that the Eaglewood Phase 13 project was expected to commence in summer as well.

Council Member Porter asked about Sugar Plum Lane and the gated community that was started and abandoned. Paul Ottoson replied that he was unsure why no development was occurring.

Ken Leetham reported on the Storm Water Fund with no proposed rate changes. He said the water study would provide some direction. Mr. Leetham then reported on the Solid Waste Fund and said there was a need for a rate increase. He said the expenses rose dramatically in the last two years as Wasatch Integrated Waste increased their prices. Ace Recycling and Disposal also increased their cost and the City needed approximately \$300,000 in that fund to break even. The increased proposal was to raise the garbage can rate to \$4.50 per month and to raise the recycling cans rate \$1.00 per month.

Mayor Arave asked for clarification because when Wasatch Integrated Waste raised their pricing \$2 per can, the City also raised its pricing.

Council Member Mumford asked for a breakdown of the contracted services with Ace Disposal particularly if the City was proposing a 4% rate increase. Janice Larsen explained that a rate increase was needed last year too but the City declined to raise rates due to COVID. It was determined that staff would review the rate increase and provide the Council with additional information about a proposed increase.

Ken Leetham then reported on the Golf Enterprise Fund. He said Tyler Abegglen had been with the City almost a full season now and was proposing some necessary equipment purchases in the amount of \$104,250.

Tyler Abegglen showed images of the existing and the proposed equipment. He said the Bernhard Express Reel Sharpener was used for sharpening the mowers for the greens. The existing equipment was purchased in 1996 and was labor intensive to repair. The proposed equipment was a Bernhard Express Dual 4250 Reel Sharpener for \$49,500 and a Bernhard Anglemaster 4100 Bedknife Grinder for \$24,750. Mr. Abegglen explained the need for a Lynx 64 Station Irrigation control, which had been damaged, at the cost of \$30,000. He said a full irrigation remodel would be necessary in several years.

Council Member Mumford asked how much a full irrigation system remodel would cost. Tyler Abegglen replied that it would be approximately \$3 million.

Tyler Abegglen spoke on the benefits of the new irrigation control and said it would result in water savings.

Council Member Mumford asked if the Golf Oversight Committee had already discussed these proposals. Tyler Abegglen replied that they had reviewed and recommended approval of these purchases.

Ken Leetham commented that the Golf Oversight Committee and staff had discussed renovating the clubhouse. He said that the proposal would be brought before the City Council.

Mayor Arave clarified that the \$104,000 was for irrigation control and sharpeners. Tyler Abegglen replied that this was correct. He explained that the next equipment purchase would be new mowers in two years as well as replacement of the golf carts. Mr. Abegglen suggested selling the current golf carts and looking at a lease option.

Mayor Arave asked if the golf course proposal could be separated into wants versus needs. He also questioned if the roof repairs had been done. Tyler Abegglen replied that a temporary repair had been done to the roof but there was a need for replacement.

Council Member Mumford asked about admissions and lesson fees. He said it was unusually high in 2020 and was not reflected in the proposal for 2021. Tyler Abegglen responded that it was due in part to COVID, so he was trying to estimate conservatively for 2021. He said revenue was not estimated to be down as much, and he had some requests to increase cart rates. Mr. Abegglen said it was unknown how popular golf would be going forward.

Mayor Arave asked if there was any interest in tournaments. Tyler Abegglen responded that 34 tournaments had been scheduled for 2021 and he hoped to get to 55. He also said there were several bookings for the event center as well.

Ken Leetham then reported on the Fleet Internal Service Fund with a recommendation for the replacement of two police vehicles for \$100,000, the purchase of one new vehicle for a new police officer position at \$50,000, and the replacement of five Public Works vehicles for \$177,000 for a total of \$327,500. He said staff could provide the City Council with the details of the vehicles to be replaced in an upcoming meeting.

David Frandsen commented that Public Works had not requested a new vehicle in the last two budget years.

Mayor Arave asked if the new police officer would be someone with experience. Chief Black replied that the budgeted amount was for a mid-level officer as they had great success finding lateral officers at mid-point.

Mayor Arave asked about turnover. Chief Black said that the pay scale adjustment last year helped with the high turnover. He said in the last couple of months one officer was let go from probation, one officer moved to another police department, and one officer retired.

Chief Black said he was working on an annual report and would like to have a work session with the City Council to review 2020.

Ken Leetham explained the budget timeline and said the City Council would review the tentative budget during the first meeting in May with a public hearing and would adopt the final budget by June 22nd.

Mayor Arave asked the City Council member to share their priorities.

Council Member Mumford recommended having a housing fund plan and discussion, a discussion about the Redwood Road CDA including the plan, revenues, and growth initiatives. He also asked to review the Highway 89 CDA and the Solid Waste Fund. He also said the 1100 North bridge was a priority. Other focuses included the Tunnel Springs expansion plan, the Highway 89 gravel pit/pond, the 75th anniversary of the City, and the Hatch Park redesign plan.

Council Member Gordon spoke on concerns with policing. She asked if there was a social worker team for domestic violence calls and expressed the need for a resource officer at Spectrum Academy. She then asked about plans for Liberty Fest for 2021.

Ken Leetham commented that Liberty Fest was in the budget and a meeting would be held to discuss this event.

Council Member Porter said he also wanted to see a plan for the Tunnel Springs Park expansion. He then asked for a small budgetary amount to update the history of the City and suggested the preparation of a book.

Council Member Horrocks commented that he was comfortable with the direction the City was going and the great job that staff performed. He felt it was critical to hold Liberty Fest this year.

Council Member Baskin requested the City's help with repairs to the fence at the Wood Museum in Bountiful. She also asked that staff look at the Deer Hollow reservoir for possible cracking and to determine if it needed to be repainted.

3. ADJOURN

Mayor Arave adjourned the meeting at 1:24 p.m.

The foregoing was approved by the City Council of the City of North Salt Lake on Tuesday April 6, 2021 by unanimous vote of all members present.



Linda Horrocks, City Recorder