

Board of Commissioners – Annual Budgetary Planning Retreat (FY20-22)

March 25, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Town Hall Annex Meeting Room – 105 E. Corbin Street

1. Open, Introductions, & Ground Rules
2. Strategy Map Review - Include environmental scan in a SWOT format to determine how external/internal variables will affect the town board's decision-making over the next five years.
3. Board's FY20-22 Budget/Finance Strategy & Principles
 - a. Questions/discussion from manager's FY20-22 overview on March 11
 - b. What's our focus (core services and/or what other priorities)?
 - c. Financial strategy issues: fund balance, rates, credit worthiness
 - d. Balancing investment priorities (e.g., capital facilities v. equipment/tools v. personnel)
 - e. Future expenses: how to use funds freed up by FY23-24 park/facility debt retirements, how/when to phase in capital and FTE needs?

BREAK

4. FY20-22 Continuation Budgets
 - a. What current services can we reduce or stop providing?
 - b. Questions, concerns, additional information desired regarding current operations and services?
5. Unfunded requests: discuss and provide direction on draft implementation concept
 - a. New positions
 - b. \$15 minimum wage implementation
 - c. Capital and facilities

DINNER - 6:00 to 6:30

6. Rates discussions and direction
7. How to limit adding mid-year priorities/tasks to minimize distractions and diversions, so staff can focus on top priorities? Adherence to the "1-hour rule" or some variant used in local government is an option (i.e., any board request for information and/or participation in new initiative that will take more than one hour of staff time requires full board direction.
8. Succession Planning
9. Other & **BREAK**
10. Financial Integrity and Credibility (time permitting)
 - a. Documentary & discussion of board's role as financial watchdog
 - b. New LGC rules have created significantly increased workload on all departments
 - c. Staffing levels and redundancy in accounting
11. Review of the Day / Adjourn