

MONDAY

JULY 28, 2020

The Governing Body of the City of Pratt met in a Recessed Budget Work Session day #2 in the Commission Room located in City Hall.

PRESENT:	Gary Schmidt	Mayor
	Doug Meyer	Commissioner
	Don Peters	Commissioner
	Jason Leslie	Commissioner
	Zach Deeds	Commissioner

ALSO PRESENT:	Bruce Pinkall	City Manager
	Regina Probst	City Attorney
	Diana Garten	Finance Director

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The recessed meeting was called to order by Mayor Schmidt. The Mayor stated that all Commissioners were present.

**BUSINESS:**

**BUDGET WORK SESSION-DAY 2:**

The Commission, City Manager and Finance Director met at 8:30 a.m. for the second day of the budget work session. The Commission continued discussions with department superintendents until everyone had had a chance to visit with them about their individual budgets for 2021.

**HEALTH INSURANCE:**

City Manager Pinkall explained to the Commissioners that he had learned a lot about insurance in the last couple of months and Blue Cross Blue Shield, Professional Insurance Consultants and Gallagher had all visited with us and turned in bids. Mr. Pinkall stated that Blue Cross had given us the only fully funded bid and the others had been self-funded bids. Mr. Pinkall commented that Blue Cross had given the City several options and, due to having to use the City's reserves a few years back, we could not get the increase down any more than what we were looking at today. Mr. Pinkall stated that he recommended Option 4 that would be an increase of 14.99% over our rates from 2019/2020. Mr. Pinkall commented that there were few changes in this option from what we currently had. Mr. Pinkall added that Finance Director Garten had put a 15% increase in the 2021 budget in anticipation of the type of year that we knew that we had had. Mayor Schmidt suggested getting with the employees and explaining any changes that were being made or reminding them of what we offer them for health insurance. Mr. Pinkall stated that we would do that. After a little more discussion, Commissioner Leslie made a motion to approve Option 4 from Blue Cross Blue Shield with a 14.99% increase as presented by City Manager Pinkall. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Deeds and carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

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Mayor Schmidt made a motion to enter into executive session for non-elective personnel at 3:30 p.m. for twenty minutes and to return at 3:50 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Meyer and carried unanimously.

Mayor Schmidt made a motion to return from execution session at 3:50 p.m. with nothing to report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Deeds and carried unanimously.

**BUDGET PUBLICATION:**

It was with the consensus of the Commission to publish the proposed budget that would include the minor change to the Police department budget of the increase in the dues for Huber and Associates annual licenses by \$7,000 and to also make the changes to the business donations.

**ADJOURN:**

Upon proper motion, the meeting was adjourned.

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Gary Schmidt, Mayor



ATTEST:

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LUANN KRAMER, City Clerk