

DISCUSSION ON FY 2020-21 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

(NOTE: This budget is the last column on the right in the fiscal year 2021/2022 Budget Spreadsheet)

EMERGENCY POWER. The Council is being asked to approve \$80,000 to be used for purchasing a natural gas generator with an automatic transfer switch for the Utility Shop (about \$10,000), where the SCADA Control Center is located. That way, if we have another event like last winter, our system controls won't be disrupted and our staff will have a functional facility to work out of. And funds for wiring our well sites with manual transfer switches and quick-connects so that we can pull in with a trailer mounted generator and operate those facilities. We also have an opportunity to buy another generator from the state surplus system.

GOLF COURSE LIFT STATION. Should the Council decide to include funds in the FY 2021-22 Budget for a lift station to serve the 18+ acre golf course tract and, potentially, other development in that area, \$50,000 is being included in this budget amendment to give the Council the option of authorizing eHT to begin engineering that project to expedite the project (otherwise, eHT wouldn't be able to begin the engineering work until October).

HOUSEKEEPING. Other amendments are more of housekeeping matters than anything else. The revenue rows in both the General Fund and Utility Fund have been amended to reflect this year's actual performance. \$334,387 in ARP funds will be hitting our UF budget. That will more than offset lower than expected utility revenues. Water revenues are always dependent on the weather. The wetter and cooler summer has been good for residents, but not so good for our utility coffers. Changes during the year to the City's on-call policy and overtime scheduling created a need for amendments to cover those expenses. The electric budget for the water utility is being reduced, again due to lower water sales attributable to the weather.

The budget for the Grand Avenue Lift Station is being amended to include the change order that the Council recently approved. The Code Enforcement budget has been amended to reflect the extended use of contract labor for inspection and plan review services as we sought a Building Official. Additionally, funds have been added to allow the hiring of the new full time animal control/code enforcement employee now so that Animal Control Officer Wilson doesn't have to carry that load alone until October 1st.

CVB CHANGES. The CVB budget has been amended to reflect the transfer of those operations over to the County. The total revenue and total expenditures for that fund are being increased due to receipt of more revenue than expected and our need to transfer all of those funds to the County. Otherwise, we would have booked the extra revenue into the CVB reserves and limited our spending to the amount in the adopted budget. Any amendment adding revenue to the budget has to be styled as an emergency budget amendment and must involve unforeseen circumstances.