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Subject: Re: Finance Commission Meeting- Item 6

I suggest this topic be pulled and then agendad for a full FC session as a **workshop** so there can be a more robust review, including comparative data from surrounding municipalities and indexed with the indices used for both efficiencies and police response times, arrest rates, etc. Further, there should be a review of what services can be contracted out to reduce costs and or improve effectiveness.

Thank you.
Lee

On Jun 11, 2021, at 18:28, Lee Fagot <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Jak,

Thanks for pointing out these very significant trends that will severely impact our Town going forward. These are Important data points that need further discussion amongst the FC and then to the full Council so the correct and complete understanding of this trend and the implications are considered before making any critical decisions going forward.
Lee Fagot

On Jun 11, 2021, at 11:00, jvannada@losgatos.ca.gov [REDACTED] wrote:

There are several things I would like for the Finance Commission to look into when reviewing Mr. White's analysis of Safety Costs. This is not a complaint about police services but rather a comment or two on management's control of costs.

1. The Sheriff's costs from 2015 to 2020 increased a net \$1.6 M dollars, or 35%.
Los Gatos, on the other hand, increased \$8.9 M, or 97.3%
2. In 2015, the Los Gatos Safety Pension Unfunded Liability was \$17.8 M.
In 2020, the Los Gatos Safety Pension Unfunded Liability was \$ 27.4 M, a 56% increase **despite** a significant ADP payment.
3. Saratoga's Safety Unfunded Pension Liability was \$ 0 for both periods.
4. I think that Mr. White's analysis of Capital Costs, Workmans Comp, General Liability Impact, the Town's Administrative Expenses as they relate to Safety, etc. etc. all need to be more thoroughly understood by the Council and the citizens. Are we spending our dollars wisely?

5. The high costs of safety may also be a result of high service demands by management. Those too need to be reviewed.

6. Los Gatos's costs have risen at a bizarrely high rate since 2015. We need to better understand the costs as we have not seen any positive changes to our cash outlay from 2015 to 2020

The cities are similar in size (if we exclude Monte Sereno). The mix of business is different - and perhaps we should not expect to achieve the extraordinarily low policing costs incurred by Saratoga - but is management controlling the costs and are the residents getting what they are paying for?