

Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda Item Submittal

Item To Be Considered: FY 24/25 Draft Budget Discussion/Direction

Board Meeting Date: May 14, 2024

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Overview: After discussions at the May 7, 2024 special meeting, the Interim Town Manager and Finance Director

have made the following adjustments to the draft FY 24/25 Budget. The Interim Town Manager provided

a "net zero" option.

Funded highlights after discussions at the May 7, 2024 BOC meeting include:

2% COLA

New Personnel \$72,630 (Police Lieutenant & Police Officer (Grant Submitted)

NC Orbit Retirement: Increase .75 basis points

NCLM Property & Casualty 17.5% increase

NCLM Workers Comp 10% increase

NCLM Group Health Insurance increased 4%

Capital Outlay \$570,000-Funded using Loan Proceeds

Added:

2% Merit

Fire-Part-time-\$36,000

Bonus for Public Safety Personnel Required: Travel/Conference/Training

Major budget requests that were unfunded (to date):

Recreation Coordinator-FT: \$57,534 Recreation Assistant-PT: \$10,851

Dock Attendants-PT (2): April 1st – November 23rd) \$20,884 Firefighter II-FT: (3) January 2025-June 2025: \$105,852

Capital Reserve: \$225,000 (Fire), \$16,000 (Police), \$102,500 Parks & Recreation

The current draft is balanced with \$724,611 appropriation from fund balance for items requested by the Board of Commissioners at the April 23rd meeting.

- 1. Sidewalks-\$500,000
- 2. Christmas Lights-\$20,000
- 3. Town Hall Digital Sign-\$18,000
- 4. Pickleball Court-\$150,000

Added

New workstations-(24 workstations) compatible with Windows 11-\$36,611

Recommended Action: Authorize a public hearing for the FY24/25 Budget based on the Net-Zero approach. This version includes a 2% COLA and a 2% Merit raise, adds back \$36,000 to PT fire personnel, and provides an additional \$500 bonus to FT Public Safety personnel.

Action:			