



**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

August 12, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Set a Public Hearing for Proposed Budget

**SUBMITTED BY:** Vicki Rodriguez, Finance Director

**REFERENCE NO:**

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Set a Public Hearing for August 26, 2008 to allow citizens the opportunity to express their opinions concerning items of expenditure, giving their reasons for wishing to increase or decrease any items of expense. The Public Hearing will be held at 7pm in the Council Chambers located in City Hall.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

- \* Postpone; would alter the time frame for adoption of the budget.

**SUMMARY OF SUBJECT:**

City Charter, Article VII. Finance, Section 4.

“At the Council meeting at which time the budget is submitted, the Council shall, in conformance with the requirements of law, name the date and place of public hearing and shall cause to be published the time and place thereof. At this hearing, interested citizens may express their opinions concerning items of expenditure, giving their reasons for wishing to increase or decrease any items of expense.”

Local government code, paragraph 102.006.

- (a) The governing body of a municipality shall hold a public hearing on the proposed budget. Any taxpayer of the municipality may attend and may participate in the hearing.
- (b) The governing body shall set the hearing for a date occurring after the 15<sup>th</sup> day after the date the proposed budget is filed with municipal clerk but before the date the governing body makes its tax levy.
- (c) The governing body shall provide for public notice of the date, time and location of the hearing.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Revenue Sources:

Expenditure Accounts:

Budgeted Fiscal Year(s):        2008-2009

Estimated Expenditure:

Over/Under Projection By:

Other Comments:

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

**APPROVED BY:**

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City Manager's Office

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City Secretary's Office