



ALBANY CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA

Monday, February 24, 2020

4:00 p.m. Work Session
Council Chambers, City Hall

333 Broadalbin Street SW

- 4:00 p.m. Call to order and roll call
- 4:05 p.m. Business from the public
- 4:10 p.m. Resolution calling for election for public safety operating levy – Sean Kidd. [Pages 2-3]
Action Requested: Information, discussion.
- 4:20 p.m. Public works project cost updates – Staci Belcastro. [Verbal]
Action Requested: Information.
- 4:30 p.m. Maple Lawn Preschool update – Kim Lyddane. [Pages 4]
Action Requested: Information.
- 4:45 p.m. Application for COPS hiring grant – Marcia Harnden. [Pages 5-6]
Action Requested: Information.
- 5:00 p.m. ADC amendments project update – Jeff Blaine. [Verbal]
Action Requested: Information, discussion.
- 5:20 p.m. Business from the council
- 5:30 p.m. City manager report
- 5:45 p.m. Adjournment

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF ALBANY, LINN AND BENTON COUNTIES, OREGON, CALLING FOR AN ELECTION TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY THE QUESTION OF RENEWING A LEVY AT \$1.15 PER \$1,000.00 OF ASSESSED VALUE FOR AMBULANCE, FIRE, AND POLICE OPERATIONS BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 FOR FIVE YEARS.

WHEREAS, the budget committee of the City of Albany found that revenues were needed to enhance essential services provided for everyone's use and protection beginning in Fiscal Year 2003-2004 and recommended that a five-year public safety operating levy be submitted to the legal voters of the City of Albany; and

WHEREAS, the Albany City Council supports the value of continuing to provide quality services to Albany citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL:

Section 1. Date of Election. A levy election with the question set forth in Section 2 of this resolution shall be submitted in the manner prescribed herein to the legal voters residing within the City of Albany, on the 19th day of May 2020.

Section 2. Form of Question. Shall Albany continue \$1.15 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value for ambulance, fire, police operations for five more years beginning 2021-2022? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Section 3. Project Description. The City will use tax revenue from this measure to continue funding for firefighter/emergency medical technicians, deputy fire marshal and emergency services positions, for police officers, police clerks, community service officers, and telecommunications and crime analyst positions, together with related equipment and training. Taxes will also continue to be used to pay operating costs for the fire and police departments. The levy continues the rate previously approved by voters in 2016.

Section 4. Hours of Election. The election shall be conducted by mail.

Section 5. Notice of Election. Notice of the levy election shall be given by the county clerks and city elections officer, as provided in the general election laws of the State of Oregon and the Charter of the City of Albany.

Section 6. Ballot Form. The city attorney has reviewed a notice of levy election and ballot title in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 26th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Exhibit “A”

CAPTION

Renewal of the Ambulance, Fire, and Police Local Option Tax

QUESTION

Shall Albany continue \$1.15 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value for ambulance, fire, police operations for five more years beginning 2021-2022? This measure renews current local option taxes.

SUMMARY

The City will use tax revenue from this measure to continue funding for firefighter/emergency medical technicians, deputy fire marshal and emergency services positions, for police officers, police clerks, community service officers, and telecommunications and crime analyst positions, together with related equipment and training. Taxes will also continue to be used to pay operating costs for the fire and police departments. The levy continues the rate previously approved by voters in 2016.

The proposed rate will raise approximately \$4,400,456.00 in 2021-2022; \$4,532,470.00 in 2022-2023; \$4,668,444.00 in 2023-2024; \$4,808,497.00 in 2024-2025; and \$4,952,752.00 in 2025-2026, for a total of \$23,362,619.00.

The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessors at the time of estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate.



MEMO

TO: Albany City Council

VIA: Peter Troedsson, City Manager

FROM: Kim Lyddane, Parks & Recreation Director

DATE: February 13, 2020, for the February 24, 2020, City Council Work Session

SUBJECT: Maple Lawn Preschool Transition Update

Action Requested

Information only.

Discussion

Earlier this month, I met with Superintendent Melissa Goff and Assistant Superintendent Lisa Harlan from Greater Albany Public Schools (GAPS) to discuss Maple Lawn Preschool. GAPS is interested in funding the preschool, at no cost to the City, while they develop and implement their broader early childhood service model. Maple Lawn would exist essentially “as is” with no major changes to the program format. Staff would remain City of Albany employees but with some guidance/oversight from the school district. Funding from GAPS will cover all staff salary and benefits, materials, services, utilities, and City support services. GAPS would like to enter into an agreement for three to five years with the City as they transition. An intergovernmental agreement is in development and will be brought to both the school board and city council in the upcoming weeks. The funding for early childhood programs, like Maple Lawn, is made possible through the Student Success Act passed during the 2019 Oregon legislative session.

Budget Impact

Maple Lawn Preschool will run, at no expense to the City, with funds from GAPS. All expenses and revenue for the program will be tracked in a separate GL account from traditional Parks & Recreation programs to ensure that no city funds go toward operation of the program.

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MEMO



TO: Albany City Council

VIA: Peter Troedsson, City Manager

FROM: Marcia Harnden, Police Chief

DATE: February 18, 2020, for the February 24, 2020, City Council Work Session

SUBJECT: U.S. Department of Justice Fiscal Year 2020 COPS Hiring Program Application

Relates to Strategic Plan theme: A Safe City

Action Requested:

Staff recommends Council approval to apply for a U.S. Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Program grant to hire three sworn officers.

Discussion:

The U.S. Department of Justice Fiscal Year 2020 COPS Hiring Program is an open solicitation that provides funding for hiring new police officers for a three-year period. This program is intended to create and preserve jobs and increase public safety through community policing efforts. The funding will cover 75 percent of salaries and benefits, up to \$125,000 per position, for newly hired full-time police officers for the three-year grant period. Approximately \$400 million in funding is available nationwide through the COPS Hiring Program.

The program requires a 25 percent funding match of the costs and a commitment to retain the positions for 12 months after the three years of federal funding has ended. Grantees must maintain staffing at the level that existed at the time of award as well as the COPS-funded positions. The application period for this grant ends March 11, 2020.

The Albany Police Department will use this funding, if awarded, to hire three police officers. This will help mitigate the negative effects of freezing three police officer positions during the current budget cycle as well as to help lessen the impact of possible budget reductions in FY2021-2023.

Budget Impact:

If awarded, the city match will be met through the Police Department’s operating budget.

Estimated Costs and Grant Funding for Three Police Officers					
	Year 1 FY2020-21	Year 2 FY2021-22	Year 3 FY2022-23	Total for Three Years	Year 4 FY2023-24
Total Costs	\$360,600	\$385,800	\$412,800	\$1,159,200	\$441,900
Max. Grant Funding	\$270,450	\$289,350	\$309,600	\$869,400	
City Contribution	\$90,150	\$96,450	\$103,200	\$289,800	\$441,900

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Attachment





RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS TO HIRE THREE SWORN OFFICERS THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) HIRING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice COPS Hiring Program provides funding for hiring new police officers for a three-year period; and

WHEREAS, the program is intended to create and preserve jobs and increase public safety through community policing efforts; and

WHEREAS, the program will fund 75 percent of salaries and benefits for three years with a maximum of \$125,000 per officer; and

WHEREAS, the program requires a 25 percent match and continued funding for a period of 12 months after the grant period ends; and

WHEREAS, the application period for this grant ends March 11, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Albany City Council authorizes the Police Department to apply for the funding of three new police officer positions from the U.S. Department of Justice Fiscal Year 2020 COPS Hiring Program.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 26TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk