

CITY OF MUSCATINE
CITY COUNCIL BUDGET REVIEW SESSION
City Hall Council Chambers – February 2, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Brad Bark called the meeting for the City Council’s budget review session for Thursday, February 2, 2022 to order at 6:30 p.m. Councilmembers present were Osborne, Lewis, Hopkins, Brockert, Froelich, Gordon and Jindrich

Muscatine Greater Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Rebecca Paulsen VP of Operations and Tourism shared a presentation on 2022 events and special programs planned and managed by the Chamber.

Council had questions regarding where the extra funding requested would be used in 2023. Ms. Paulsen stated that in part it would be used to recruit and discuss with other cruise lines possibilities of making Muscatine a stop on their itinerary.

Senior Resources

Megan Frances, Senior Resources, shared a presentation on Senior Resources and the programs they have including: Home Repair Program, Chore Program, Meals on Wheels, Adult Day Care Program and the Outreach Program. Ms. Frances shared how these programs are not only to help seniors but also a way of checking on these older residents for well being.

Muscatine Human Society

Chris McGinnis, Muscatine Humane Society, was present to share on update on services provided. Ms. McGinnis shared information on how the Muscatine Human Society has worked together with the City of Muscatine over the past year with multiple large quantities of rescue cats and dogs.

Ms. McGinnis updated City Council on the status of the improvements being made at the Humane Society and explained the need for more updating in the near future.

MCSA

Scott Dahlke from the MCSA was present to share the services provided by the Muscatine Center for Social Actions. Mr. Dahlke stated the program supported by the funding from the City is the “Homeless Prevention Program”. Mr. Dahlke stated that this program is designed to lead clients to self sufficiency navigating them to be successful in their own financial independence.

Finance Director Lueck stated she had received information regarding the changes to the states rollback and senate bill. Ms. Lueck stated the budget deadline would be extended to April 30, 2023 if passed.

City Administrator Webb stated with the delayed deadline, the budget meetings are being rescheduled and will be posted.

Councilmember Lewis moved the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: _____

Cinda Hilger, Administrative Secretary

Carol Webb, City Administrator

Dr. Brad Bark, Mayor