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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tuesday, May 15, 2012

Council Chambers

PRESENT: Alds. Berdan, Birschel, Causier, Donegan, Ewerdt, McBride, Moldenhauer, Pantuso, Roznowski, Tilleson, Walz-Chojnacki, Wilke, Wilson – 13

EXCUSED: Alds. Hanson, Organ

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Ehley; J. Archambo, City Admin.; A. Kesner, City Atty.; B. Aldana, Asst. City Atty./Human Resources Dir.; A. Brown, Asst. to Admin.; Police Chief Weber; Police Capt. Sutter; Police Capt. Weiss; Police Lt. Leist; Fire Chief Ugaste; Asst. Fire Chief Erke; Asst. Fire Chief Case; Deputy Fire Chief Brent Lee; J. Ruggini, Finance Director; W. Porter, Public Works Dir.; N. Kreuser, Health Officer; M. Murphy, Library Dir.;

Ald. McBride as chair called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m.

Common Council orientation by the City Administrator and Department Directors

Mr. Archambo began with a basic civics lesson saying that municipal government is a complex and large organization with various committees and boards. Some of these are mandated by government and some created and appointed. From 1987 to 2012 the budget has grown. As the city has lost inter-governmental revenue taxes have had to be increased. There are many financial challenges including managing human capitol and creating lean management teams.

Mr. Archambo noted that there would be presentations by a number of department directors giving a brief synopsis of how each of their departments work. The Council members heard reports from the Comptroller's Office, the Police, Fire, Public Works, Health and Human Resources Departments as well as the Library.

Mr. Archambo hoped that this would give Council members an idea of the work different departments do through this general sampling of each departments' responsibilities.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Carla Ledesma, City Clerk
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