

MIAMI COUNTY COUNCIL
25 N BROADWAY
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BUDGET HEARINGS – DAY 1

President Duckwall called the 1ST day of the 2010 budget hearings to order. A prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

Ralph Duckwall, President of the Council, announced that the County would not be giving any raises.

HEALTH

The first budget to be reviewed was the Health Department. Dr. Farag explained that they moved litigation from 215/216 to 215/215. Council President, Ralph Duckwall, asked the Council to consider raising the Health Officer from \$7,500 to \$9,000.

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to accept the budget on 1st reading as amended. Councilman Wiles 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

Ken Scott, Health Environmental, asked the Council for a \$4,000 increase to take the part-time position to full time. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve the budget on 1st reading with no adjustments to salaries. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

Dr. Farag asked the Council to leave the Health Maintenance Fund untouched in case of a swine flu outbreak in the fall.

Councilwoman Shirley Mull made a motion to maintain the appropriation for the Health Grant on 1st reading to \$20,000. Councilman Wiles 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

HIGHWAY

PHASE 1

Highway did not ask for any raises. Councilman Wiles made a motion to accept as presented on 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

PHASE 2

No increase in salaries requested. Councilman McAuliffe made a motion to accept as presented on 1st reading. Councilman Wiles 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

PHASE 3

No increase in salaries requested. Councilwoman Mull moves to accept as presented on 1st reading. Councilman McAuliffe 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

L R & S

Sam Waltz, Highway Supervisor, cut \$85,000 from supplies. Councilwoman Mull made a motion to accept as amended on 1st reading. Councilman Wiles 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

CUM BRIDGE

The Cum Bridge budget increased from \$444,343 to \$ \$690,230 because some salaries have been transferred to Cum Bridge. The salaries were not increased just moved. Motion to accept on 1st reading was made by Councilwoman Mull and 2nd by Councilman Kendall. Motion passed 7-0.

EMA – COUNTY GENERAL

Mike Peconga, EMA Director asked for an increase in salaries due to the fact that his office does almost all of the grants for the County which involves a lot of extra work. Councilman Hunt made a motion to hold salaries and pass \$109,048 on 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

EXTENTION OFFICE – COUNTY GENERAL

Gary Horner told the Council that he understood the County's position and if they kept the budget the same they would survive but asked the Council not to cut his budget. Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve last year's rate of \$170,700 on 1st reading. Councilman Wiles 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

SOIL & WATER – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve at the 2009 level on 1st reading. Councilman Kendall 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0. Councilman Hunt said he has taken alot of heat over the fact that the office manager did not get 1st deputy pay last year and amended the motion to make her position a 1st Deputy and give her the \$1000 raise that was given to 1st Deputies last year which makes her salary \$26, 006. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

SOIL & WATER GRANT

The budget was submitted for \$15,000 with the stipulation that we receive the grant money. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve on 1st reading and Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

LOCAL COORDINATING COUNCIL

After some discussion Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve the budget at \$30,000 for the 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

WEIGHTS & MEASURES

The Weights & Measure budget was submitted as the same as 2009. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve as submitted for 1st reading. Councilman McAuliffe 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

CORONER – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve at last years totals for 1st reading. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

MUSEUM – COUNTY GENERAL

Salaries will be held at the 2009 level. Councilwoman Mull moved to approve on 1st reading \$113,709. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

SHERIFF – COUNTY GENERAL

The will be no increase in salaries (matrix will be in place). Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve the budget a \$1,135,750 on 1st reading. Councilman Kendall 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

JAIL – COUNTY GENERAL

After some discussion on Public Safety money, it was decided personal services would remain in the budget and the rest would be taken out of the Public Safety money. Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve the amount of \$842,970 on 1st reading. Councilman Kendall 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

Councilman Kendall made a motion to approve the rest of the Jail budget, \$651,553 out of the Public Safety money. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

COUNTY CORRECTIONS

Councilman McAuliffe made a motion to keep at the 2009 level of \$24,500. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

9-1-1 LANDLINE (395)

Council President Ralph Duckwall explained that with the exception of the 9-1-1 Director, who will be raised to \$42,000, all salaries will remain at the 2009 level. Part time has increased \$500 and overtime was lowered \$1000. Extra money has been asked for in the training line. Councilman Hunt moved to approve the budget at \$399,458 for the 1st reading and Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

9-1-1 WIRELESS (396)

Councilman Hunt made a motion to accept the budget at \$162,500 for the 1st reading and Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

9-1-1 LOCAL MATCH (397)

Councilman Hunt moved to approve the budget at \$7,500 for the 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT – COUNTY GENERAL

Deborah Walker, Clerk of Circuit Court, said the majority of the increase came from an increase in contracts. Council President Ralph Duckwall asked her if it was possible to take the contracts from the fund she has taken them from before and she thought that she could. Councilman Wiles made a motion to keep at the 2009 level of \$196,646 (2009 level) for the 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

CLERK OF SUPERIOR 1 & 2 – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilman Wiles made a motion to approve \$161,946 for the 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

CLERK ELECTION – COUNTY GENERAL

There was a large increase in this budget due to the fact there was no election in 2009 but there will be an election in 2010. The Council asked Mrs. Walker to provide numbers in that budget from 2008 (the last election) so they could have something to compare to. Mrs. Walker did provide that and explained that the State does not help anymore and she has to take care of everything. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve at \$123,495 for the 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

CLERK REGISTRATION – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve at the 2009 amount for the 1st reading and Councilman McAuliffe 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

AUDITOR – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve the Auditor's budget at \$170,030 for the 1st reading. Councilman Wiles 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

TREASURER – COUNTY GENERAL

Rebecca Morris, Treasurer, explained that she contracted the tax bills out to Boyce and is hoping there is no increase in that area. Mrs. Morris asked why with the additional needs of some offices, the Council was choosing to raise the pay of the 9-1-1 Director to \$42,000. Ralph Duckwall, Council President, said that the 9-1-1 Board guaranteed her that amount and it doesn't matter that she (the Treasurer) doesn't think it is right and still questions it. Councilwoman Mull motioned to approve the budget at \$124,832 for the 1st reading. Councilman Donaldson 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

RECORDER – COUNTY GENERAL

Brenda Weaver, Recorder, asked for a third position (2nd Deputy) for her office. Mrs. Weaver informed the Council that there are only certain things she can pay for out of the Perpetuation fund and the County Attorney gave her a written opinion of what these things are. She is doing a scanning project in her office to get documents on line and has implemented a Fraud Alert program. Councilman Wiles made a motion to approve the 01 part of the budget at \$68,466 and the rest to be funded out of Perpetuation Fund for 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0. Mrs. Weaver added that she agreed with what the Treasurer said and continued that there is no incentive for staff to do more.

COUNTY SURVEYOR – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilman Hunt moved to approve the budget at \$89,601 for the 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 6-1 abstain (McAuliffe)

DRAINAGE – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to keep at the 2009 budgeted amount and Councilman Donaldson 2nd the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

COUNTY ASSESSOR – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve \$99,732 on 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

REASSESSMENT

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to hold at 2009 level (\$232,704) for the 1st reading. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 7-0.

PROSECUTOR – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilman Wiles made a motion to approve the budget \$77,872 for the 1st reading and Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion. Motion passed 6-0. (Councilman Kendall left)

4-D – COUNTY GENERAL

Brent Davis explained that part of this budget is reimbursable from State government. Councilman Wiles made a motion to approve \$137,574 on 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 6-0.

PROSECUTOR – DEFERRAL

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve the budget at \$196,756 (same as 2009) for the 1st reading. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 6-0.

VOCA GRANT

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to retain at the 2009 level of \$47,939 for the 1st reading and Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

CIRCUIT COURT – COUNTY GENERAL

Juror per diem and lodging and meals for jurors were removed from this budget because we have a jury fee fund. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve the budget at \$144,940 for 1st reading. Councilman Wiles 2nd the motion and it passed 5-0. (Councilwoman Mull had stepped out of the room.).

SUPERIOR COURT 1 – COUNTY GENERAL

Juror per diem and lodging and meals for jurors were removed from this budget because we have a jury fee fund. Councilman McAuliffe made a motion to approve the budget at \$148,836 for 1st reading. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 6-0.

SUPERIOR COURT 11 – COUNTY GENERAL

Juror per diem and lodging and meals for jurors were removed from this budget because we have a jury fee fund. Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve the budget at \$121,592 for 1st reading. Councilwoman Mull 2nd the motion and it passed 6-0.

PROBATION – COUNTY GENERAL

Council President Ralph Duckwall asked Susan Rice how she could use some of the money in her other funds to help out the County General Fund. Ms. Rice said she has some items budgeted out of her other funds and she didn't know how she could help other than that. Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve the budget at \$242,721 for 1st hearing. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 6-0.

JUVENILE PROBATION

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to leave at last years amount of \$16,187 and Councilman Donaldson 2nd the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

ADULT PROBATION

No raises and budget as presented on 1st reading was the motion made by Councilman Wiles and 2nd by Councilman Donaldson. Motion passed 6-0.

DRUG & ALCOHOL

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to accept this budget on 1st reading at \$91,609. Councilman McAuliff 2nd the motion and it passed 6-0.

COURTHOUSE – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilman McAuliff made a motion to accept the budget at \$414,498 for 1st reading and Councilman Donaldson 2nd the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

PUBLIC DEFENDER – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilman Wiles made a motion to pass at the 09 amount on 1st reading. Councilman Donaldson 2nd the motion and it passed 6-0.

SUPPLEMENTAL PUBLIC DEFENDER

The only addition to this budget is back scanning of old document. Council President Ralph Duckwall asked if that is something the Recorder could help with. Mr. Michaud did not think so. The Recorder is outsourcing hers. Councilwoman Mull moved to accept the budget for the 1st reading and Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – COUNTY GENERAL

Councilman Hunt made a motion to approve the amount of \$3,311,271 on 1st reading. Councilman McAuliff 2nd the motion and it passed 5-1 (Donaldson ney)

CUM COURTHOUSE

Councilwoman Mull made a motion to approve \$542,000 on 1st reading. Councilman Hunt 2nd the motion and it passed 6-0.

RECESS UNTIL 8:15 WED JULY 29th

Respectfully submitted

Jane Lilley, Auditor