

Budget Office Staffing

Finance Department

City Council August 23, 2016

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BACKGROUND

During the FY 2016-2018 Two-Year Budget process, the City Manager's Office adopted guiding principles to the City's financial and budget roadmap:

- Accuracy (detailed and timely documentation of the City's financial position on an ongoing basis);
- <u>Financial Responsibility</u> (assessing the City's financial needs and managing resources effectively and efficiently);
- 3. <u>Fiscal Discipline</u> (ensuring that spending during the year occurs within budget, and recognizing early warning signs);
- Management Action (swift response to any major financial imbalances, in revenues or expenditures compared to budget); and
- 5. <u>Transparency</u> (open and engaging communication with residents, businesses, City employees and unions).



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HISTORICAL BUDGET OFFICE STAFFING

- FY 2006-07: 6.5 FTE's
 - Management and Budget Director
 - Principal Analyst (2)
 - Senior Management Analyst
 - Management Analyst
 - Senior Office Specialist
 - Management Assistant (0.5)
- Revenue analysis included in Accounting Division (1 FTE)

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CURRENT BUDGET OFFICE STAFFING

- FY 2016-17: 3 FTE's
 - Budget and Revenue Manager (unfunded)
 - Principal Analyst (2)
- Revenue analysis included in Accounting Division (1 FTE)



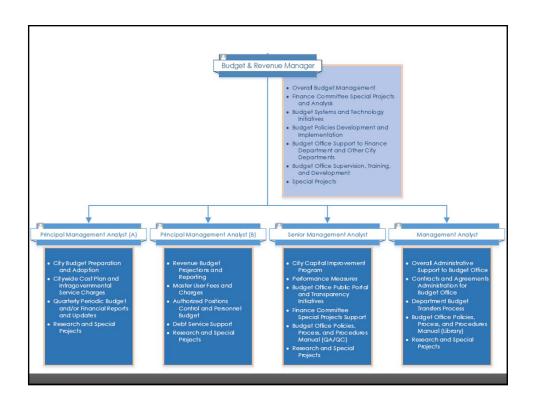
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PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDIT

- Matrix Consulting
 - Presented to City Council on July 26, 2016
 - Recommended minimum staffing in Budget Office of 5 funded FTE's
- 2 FTE's in Budget Office is inadequate to address the financial and budget priorities of the City, and to perform a complex set of functions typical for a good Budget Office.



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BUDGET OFFICE HIGHLIGHTS

- Includes revenue projections and analysis responsibilities
 - Accounting Division of the Finance Department to have more time dedicated to their core responsibilities
- Overall, this plan represents 2.5 less FTE's than have historically been allocated to the Budget Office
 - Provides excellent support to all levels of the organization
 - Contribute to enhancing transparency and understanding of financial information to the public



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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

- FY 2106-2018 Adopted Budget
 - \$500,000/year in Contingency Funding
- FY 2016-17: \$315,000
 - Positions not funded for full fiscal year
 - Existing vacancy (Principal Analyst)
- FY 2017-18: \$440,000



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FINANCE COMMITTEE

 On August 10, 2016, the Finance Committee unanimously approved staff's recommendation to add three staff members to the Budget Office



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RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council amend the Fiscal Year 2016-2018 Adopted Two-Year Budget Personnel Detail for the Finance Department (23), Fiscal Resources (231000), to add three full-time positions, comprised of one Budget and Revenue Manager (FIN10-8335), one Senior Management Analyst (FIN10-8450) and one Management Analyst (FIN10-8440), increasing the overall staffing in the division to five positions.



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