

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

Present: Ann Kelly Bolten (Committee Chair); Jon Medalia (Committee); Kabir Kumar (Council Liaison);  
Matt Trollinger (Town Manager)

Absent: Meredith Wade (Committee)

1:00 p.m. Chair Bolten called the meeting to order.

The Town Manager shared an updated draft budget for the committee to review.

The Committee discussed revenue figures, and confirmed that the working budget's formulas should continue to be used for property taxes based on Mr. Medalia's email correspondence with Montgomery County officials the previous year.

The Committee discussed inflation. The Town Manager updated the draft budget so inflation tracks with 1-5 year T-bill rates.

The Committee discussed pool renovation costs, and recommended that the Town Manager develop a table breaking down costs.

The Committee reviewed remaining capital projects and committee requests. The Committee recommended by unanimous consent that the Town Manager remove items for which there is no master plan, so that better numbers can be evaluated in the future. The Committee discussed its role in evaluating committee requests. The Committee members agreed that the committee is not responsible for evaluating and approving committee requests, but where there may be conflicts with established processes, they may recommend that the Town Manager not include them based on timing of the project as opposed to its merit.

The Committee requested that the Town Manager include Committee requests in the budget document and a separate tab of Town Manager recommendations.

The Committee voted by unanimous consent to hold a third budget meeting on Friday, March 3 to review additional edits that the Town Manager might make, to review February income numbers, and to review any additional items that need discussion.

2:30 p.m. Meeting Adjourned.