



**YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL  
STUDY SESSION  
October 1, 2019  
City Hall -- Council Chambers  
10 a.m. Council Budget Review -- MINUTES**

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1. Roll Call

Council: Mayor Kathy Coffey, presiding, Assistant Mayor Dulce Gutierrez, Council Members Kay Funk, Brad Hill, Carmen Mendez (present at 10:42 a.m.) and Jason White

Staff: Interim City Manager Cynthia Martinez, Director of Finance & Budget Steve Groom and City Clerk Sonya Claar Tee

Absent and excused: Council Member Cousens

2. Council Review of Proposed 2020 Budget - 1 of 4

Interim City Manager Martinez reported staff is rescheduling the October 8 and 10 budget study sessions and suggested October 16 and 17. There were no objections to those dates.

Steve Groom, Director of Finance & Budget, reviewed a PowerPoint on the proposed 2020 budget.

Assistant Mayor Gutierrez asked about the potential elimination of the Transportation Benefit District (TBD) and what efforts are being made to show the impact on the City if eliminated. Interim City Manager Martinez stated the City cannot advocate for a ballot measure; however, we can educate. She also noted the Association of Washington Cities and other groups are leading efforts advocating for the TBD. Ms. Gutierrez requested an update on completed and future TBD projects to include expenses. Additionally, she asked about positions being funded by the TBD. Interim Assistant City Manager Schafer noted there are two positions, which would be eliminated if the TBD goes away.

Assistant Mayor Gutierrez asked if there were any budget cut proposals. Director of Finance & Budget Groom noted they are not proposing any cuts at this time. Ms. Gutierrez requested a list of possible budget reductions for Council's review.

3. Public comment (allow 15 minutes)

None.

4. Adjournment

**MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Mendez seconded to adjourn to a City Council**

**special meeting today, October 1, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall.** The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

**CERTIFICATION**

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