

SALT LAKE CITY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

2020 BUDGET AMENDMENTS HEARING AND 2020 CERTIFIED TAX RATE HEARING (2021 PROPOSED BUDGET) 18 June 2020

Presiding: La Vone Liddle, Chair 2020

Time: 6:06 PM

Place: 2215 North 2200 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Trustees Present: La Vone Liddle, Chair (Attended Remotely)
Neil Vickers, Ph.D., Vice-Chair (Attended Remotely)
Carlton Christensen (Attended Remotely)
Van Turner (Attended Remotely)
Dr. Dagmar Vitek (Attended Remotely)

Others Present: Ary Faraji, Ph.D., Executive Director
Gregory White, Ph. D., Assistant Director
Aleta Fairbanks, CPA, CFO

1. Roll Call:

Posting and advertising of this meeting was done in compliance with Utah's Open Meetings Act and State budget requirements. Trustee Liddle called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m., and no conflicts of interest were declared.

2. Public Comment:

There were no public comments.

3. 2020 Budget Amendments Hearing:

CFO Fairbanks explained the reasoning behind all of the proposed line-item amendments to the 2020 Budgets and asked for questions. The Board was satisfied with the explanations and felt the modifications were justified.

4. 2020 Certified Tax Rate Hearing:

The Utah State Tax Commission had technical issues this year, and the 2020 Certified Tax Rate of 0.000122, providing \$3,684,128, was just barely finalized. It is .000011 lower than 2019's Certified Tax Rate of .000133, which provided \$3,621,250. This is only a \$62,878 gain from new growth, which is approximately a 1.7% increase and considerably lower than Utah's current inflation rate. Executive Director Faraji called the County Treasurer's and Auditor's Office to ask someone to research our numbers and to make sure they are correct. He was told that the problem could possibly be that the Inland Port may be taking some of our money, but they will look at our data again. He should have additional information next month. The small increase in revenue each year through the certified tax rate inherently forces the District to undergo Truth in Taxation and raise taxes every few years in order to keep up with inflation and the increasing costs related to maintaining the same level of service to the community.

CFO Fairbanks reviewed the proposed 2021 Budget with the Board, provided several documents supporting her budget projections, and discussed the reasoning behind the anticipated increases/decreases. After the proposed budget was presented, Trustee Christensen queried about conducting a feasibility study during 2021 to obtain some estimated costs for the helicopter site and development of the back property. The other Trustees agreed that obtaining this information would be a good move environmentally and operationally, so it should be added to the 2021 Budget.

5. Adjournment:

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:11 p.m. when Trustee Vitek made a motion to close the 2020 Budget Amendments and Certified Tax Rate Hearing and to adjourn. Trustee Christensen seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.



Ary Faraji, Executive Director

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