

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL BUDGET RETREAT
JULY 15, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gloria Mendoza called the Council Budget Retreat to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were: Mayor Mendoza and Councilmembers David Diaz, Mike Everett, Diana Jennings Bill Moore, Javier Rodriguez and Joan Souders.

Councilmember Gay Brewer arrived at 6:40 p.m.

Staff present were: City Administrator/Public Works Director Cus Arteaga, City Treasurer Matt Cordray, Fire Chief Pat Mason, Parks & Recreation Director Gretchen Chronis, Library Director Elizabeth Jahnke, Police Chief Kal Fuller and City Clerk Anita Palacios.

3. 2020 BUDGET RETREAT GOALS

The following list of 2019 budget retreat goals and accomplishments was distributed:

Councilmember Everett

- Obtain financial participation from the School District, Port District, industries and the public at-large towards the purchase of street trees for Tree City USA designation (The School District purchased street trees for Wine Country Road. Teddy Bear Daycare purchases trees on an annual basis for the City's Arbor Day Tree Plantings.)
- Ban plastic straws and cups (An ordinance was drafted and presented to Council on May 14, 2019. A motion approving the ordinance failed.)
- Development of a Grandview ambulance service (Council approved an Ambulance Service Agreement with the City of Sunnyside on January 22, 2019. The agreement is pending approval by the City of Sunnyside.)
- Construction of a digital sign at the City's east entrance (City Clerk has been in contact with CEIS signs. CEIS signs is interested in constructing another sign on the east entrance pending potential advertisers.)
- Expand economic development efforts (Council entered into an agreement with NaviRetail on September 25, 2018. Mayor Mendoza and City Administrator Arteaga attended the Las Vegas Retail Recruitment Convention in May 2019 along with NaviRetail. City/NaviRetail/Port/YCDA representatives are continuing to meet with developers and property owners.)
- Hire an additional police officer to reduce overtime (Testing for the police officer position is scheduled for July 2019.)
- Excessive force training for police officers (All officers completed training in March 2019 through the Washington Cities Insurance Authority.)
- Staff prepare report on projects that have been completed in the year (Annual project reports are included in the annual budget message.)

Councilmember Mendoza

- Downtown outdoor seating for restaurants (Ordinance drafted and presented to Council at June 11, 2019 COW meeting. Moved to June 25, 2019 regular meeting for consideration.)
- Downtown outdoor stage for performing arts with participation from the School District
- Grandview Rolls “Meals, Deals and Wheels” community event
- Downtown Christmas Tree lighting event
- Development of assisted living facilities (Grandview Assisted Living {former Hillcrest Nursing Home} and The Orchards {former Orchard House} are in the process of being remodeled and reopened.)
- Promote Country Park use and events (The following uses and events were scheduled during 2018/2019/2020:

2018 Community Center Usages & Rentals

January 6: Private Rental (church activities)
January 27: Special Event (GHS senior project)
February 10: Usage (GSD Drama Club)
February 20: Usage (Historical Society)
February 24: Private Rental (baby shower and dance)
March 3: America Legion Crab Feed
March 10: Private Rental (church activities)
March 14: American Legion Blood Drive
April 21: Private Rental (Life Options Walk for Life)
May 9: American Legion Blood Drive
May 27: Private Rental (family reunion)
June 2: Private Rental (graduation party)
June 13: Private Rental (Lower Valley Concert Assoc. gathering)
August 4: Private Rental (wedding)
August 15: American Legion Blood Drive
August 21: Grandview Fire Department Banquet
September 9: Private Usage (American Legion event)
October 20: Private Rental (birthday party)
October 24: American Legion Blood Drive
November 10: American Legion Brunch
November 14: Grandview School District Banquet
December 26: American Legion Blood Drive

2018 Country Park Usages & Rentals

March 31: Community Easter Egg Hunt
March 31: High School Rodeo
April 1: Private Rental Amphitheater (church service)
April 11: Arbor Day Celebration
April 14: Fair – Livestock Weigh-ins & Tags
May 24: Private Usage (Mom & Tot activities)
June 2: Fair – Sheep Way-ins
June 30-31: Pacific Northwest Tejano Music Association Car Show & Fair
August 8: Fair Opening Day
August 9: Fair – Concert
August 10: Fair – Diaper Derby & Rodeo

August 11: Fair – Rodeo & Car Show
September 8: Private Rental (National Guard picnic)
October 5-7: No Rhyme or Reason Country Flea Market
April: Cal Ripken Baseball Usages/Ballfields
May: Cal Ripken Baseball Usages/Ballfields
June: Cal Ripken Baseball Usages/Ballfields
July: Cal Ripken Baseball Usages/Ballfields

2019 Country Park Usages & Rentals

April 5-7: The Society for Creative Anachronism Baroness War
April 12-14: No Rhyme or Reason Country Flea Market
June 29-30: Pacific Northwest Tejano Music Association Car Show & Fair
August: Fair & Rodeo
October 4-6: No Rhyme or Reason Country Flea Market

2020 Country Park Usages & Rentals (reserved in advance)

April 3-5: The Society for Creative Anachronism Baroness War
April 17-19: No Rhyme or Reason Country Flea Market
May 15-17: The Society for Creative Anachronism Crown Tournament
June: Pacific Northwest Tejano Music Association Car Show & Fair
August: Fair & Rodeo
October 2-4: No Rhyme or Reason Country Flea Market

Councilmember Moore

- Work with businesses and residences along Wine Country Road to clean-up (In progress.)
- Continue sealcoating program (Annual sealcoat program presented during annual preliminary budget.)
- Budget for the annual economic development convention (Mayor Mendoza and City Administrator Arteaga attended the Las Vegas Retail Recruitment Convention in May 2019 along with NaviRetail.)
- Budget for future City Administrator and Public Works Director positions (Employment contract with City Administrator/Public Works Director Cus Arteaga in effect until 2021.)
- Continue to communicate and work as a team on future City projects (Rose Garden work party held in April 2019 and Day of Service held in May 2019. The Day of Service cost the City approximately \$8,000 in expenses not previously budgeted.)

Councilmember Souders

- Reinstate the presentation of the Beautification Awards at Council meetings (Referred to Beautification Commission.)
- Create City Council liaison position for high school student
- Budget for retail recruiter (Council entered into an agreement with NaviRetail on September 25, 2018.)
- Budget for future City Administrator and Public Works Director positions (Employment contract with City Administrator/Public Works Director Cus Arteaga in effect until 2021.)
- Budget for additional pool improvements and development of dog park (In progress.)
- Development of higher income residences (In progress. Staff continues to meet with developers.)
- Development of senior housing (Staff was working with The Orchards on proposed senior housing development behind assisted living facility. Quail Run Manufactured Home Park

- annexation approved by Council at June 11, 2019 meeting.)
- Ban the use of plastic bags (An ordinance was drafted and presented to Council on May 14, 2019. A motion approving the ordinance failed.)
- Work with lenders on foreclosure/vacant housing (In progress. Nuisance properties are referred to Code Enforcement Officer.)

Councilmember Rodriguez

- Budget for street tree sidewalk improvements (trip hazards) (Secured funding from WA State Transportation Improvement Board Complete Streets program to remove and install new sidewalk panels.)
- Budget for additional police officer (Testing for the police officer position is scheduled for July 2019.)
- Budget for Council chairs (New chairs purchased in February 2019.)
- Reinstate 3-on-3 basketball tournament (The City works in conjunction with Grandview AAU Basketball and Extra Mile Student Center to hold 3-on-3 basketball tournaments.)
- Clean up the east entrance automotive businesses (In progress.)
- Reinstate employee appreciation picnic

Mayor Childress

- Contract with economic development promotion retailer (Buxton Group & Navi Retailer) (Council entered into an agreement with NaviRetail on September 25, 2018.)
- Ambulance service presentation (Council approved an Ambulance Service Agreement with the City of Sunnyside on January 22, 2019. The agreement is pending approval by the City of Sunnyside.)
- Artificial trees for downtown
- Tiny housing developments

Following review, Mayor Mendoza requested that each councilmember provide their goals for the 2020 budget process:

Councilmember Jennings

- Expand library hours
- Expand code enforcement services
- Plant trees along east entrance to obscure buses
- Re-instate the Employee Appreciation Picnic

Councilmember Rodriguez

- Improve street tree plantings in sidewalks to eliminate trip hazards
- Improve business appearances along east entrance
- Explore new asphalt treatments to extend longevity of road surface

Councilmember Souders

- Keep finances in solid position
- Continue to work on economic development
- Work with downtown business owners to improve buildings, facades and awnings or condemn building
- Construct swimming pool splash pad
- Support City departments

- Meet with Port District, School Board, Legislators, etc.
- Re-instate flag salute leaders at Council meetings
- Re-instate presentation of beautification awards at Council meetings
- Install digital sign at City Hall

Councilmember Moore

- Continue with economic development efforts and budget for NaviRetail
- Continue to budget for annual economic development convention
- Continue to work with businesses and residences along Wine Country Road to cleanup

Councilmember Everett

- Create new means to communicate with public
- Continue economic development efforts
- Implement tree program and landscaping standards for businesses
- Create economic development committee consisting of Mayor, City Administrator and one Councilmember
- Continue with economic development contract with Navi Retail
- Expand code enforcement
- Improve positive contact with public/youth by police/fire personnel
- Implement long term Grandview ambulance services
- Review snow removal efforts and budget
- Support Library
- Expand pool and park usage
- Prioritize sewer trunk main replacement project

Councilmember Diaz

- Improve communication with public
- Meet with School District, Port District, Legislators, etc.
- Continue park improvements
- Improve community involvement
- Additional community events downtown and at Country Park
- Continue street improvements
- Budget additional snow removal
- Implement swimming pool improvements
- Continue to support Police Department
- Improve animal control services
- Continue beautification programs
- Alleviate neighborhood eyesores
- Remove abandoned cars
- City Hall business hours (closed during lunch hour)

Councilmember Brewer

- Limit spending and increase reserve funds
- Promote community involvement in projects
- Continue street resurfacing program
- Plant grass along Stassen Way/Dykstra Park to eliminate dust
- Budget funds to purchase property for new Police Department

Mayor Mendoza

- Obtain donations for the police/fire personnel to promote positive contact with youth
- Continue economic development efforts
- Continue “Safe City” efforts
- Develop new housing opportunities
- Showcase the community, shopping opportunities, schools, leisure activities and parks
- Develop marketing package/strategy (\$25,000)

4. ADJOURNMENT

The retreat adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Gloria Mendoza

Anita Palacios, City Clerk