

**FAYETTEVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
BUDGET WORK SESSION MINUTES**

**MAY 13, 2009**

**5:00 P.M.**

**LAFAYETTE ROOM**

Present: Mayor Anthony G. Chavonne

Council Members Keith A. Bates, Sr. (District 1); Charles E. Evans (District 2); Robert A. Massey, Jr. (District 3); Darrell J. Haire (District 4); Bobby Hurst (District 5); William J. L. Crisp (District 6); Valencia A. Applewhite (District 7)(arrived 5:05 p.m.); Theodore W. Mohn (District 8)(arrived 5:20 p.m.); Wesley A. Meredith (District 9)(arrived 5:15 p.m.)

Others Present: Dale E. Iman, City Manager

Jeffrey Powell, Assistant City Manager

Doug Hewett, Assistant City Manager

Karen M. McDonald, City Attorney

Lisa Smith, Chief Financial Officer

Tracey Broyles, Budget and Evaluation Manager

Ron Macaluso, Transit Director

Rosann Christian, Transit Assistant Director

Tony Means, Transit Operations Superintendent

Bobby Teague, Engineering and Infrastructure Director

Jeffrey P. Brown, City Engineer

Greg Caison, Stormwater Division Manager

Rusty Thompson, City Traffic Engineer

Jackie Tuckey, Communications Manager/Public Information Officer

Elizabeth Fetting, KFH Consultant

Candice H. White, City Clerk

Press

Mayor Chavonne called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Dale E. Iman, City Manager, recalled the budget message as delivered to Council at their May 4, 2009 meeting, budget goals contained therein and service enhancements in the areas of transit, fire and police as included in the FY 2009-2010 budget. Mr. Iman noted that although Fayetteville had been spared some of the effects of the economic recession, declines or stagnation in several revenue sources, which supported operational budgets of the City, were expected. Mr. Iman outlined the format for upcoming budget meetings and introduced Elizabeth Fetting, consultant with the KFH Group.

Ms. Fetting reviewed highlights of the Transit Development Plan (TDP) to include objectives, existing transit services, transit needs analysis and themes that emerged during the analysis, and system-wide operational and capital service alternatives. Ms. Fetting then reviewed tentative short-term, mid-term and long-term recommendations and bases for the same. Ron Macaluso, Transit Director, and Ms. Fetting responded to questions. Discussion ensued regarding route changes and route frequencies relative to demographic data, and route level alternatives and short-term recommendations. Mr. Iman clarified the processes involved with service enhancements and the TDP, and their relationship to the development of the FY 2009-2010 budget.

Discussion continued regarding future meetings for discussion of the TDP recommendations. Consensus of Council was for the transit recommendations as contained in the FY 2009-2010 budget to be brought forward for public hearing at the May 26, 2009 meeting and to move forward with the TDP process to include an opportunity for citizen input.

Jeffrey Powell, Assistant City Manager, reviewed current stormwater fees and a fee usage, impacts to the program due to the county's withdrawal and changes to accommodate the same. Mr. Powell and Greg Caison, Stormwater Division Manager, responded to questions. Mr. Powell continued with a review of revenue reduction impacts; proposed changes

to the Stormwater Management Ordinance, Articles I-III, which would be available for public hearing at the May 26, 2009 meeting; and proposed changes to the Stormwater Advisory Board. Mr. Powell stated there would be no increase in current fees and continuation of the interlocal agreement with the County would be required for billing and collection purposes. Mayor Chavonne outlined the next steps in the budget process and spoke to future opportunities for Council questions and answers.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.