

May 15, 2020 Budget Workshop Meeting chat

00:52:56 Christina Turner: 42 at this point.

00:55:44 Jim Sergi: who is speaking?

00:56:00 Christina Turner: Kathleen King, Healthier Kids Foundation

01:09:07 Michelle Bigelow: Question from Facebook: Tam Bui Since we are on the subject of \$\$\$. I notice that our water bill here in MH is almost twice as much as my family in San Jose. Any particular reason?

01:09:48 Rich Constantine: I need a haircut

01:11:52 Harjot Sangha: The City of Morgan Hill bill include services was Water and Wastewater. I believe San Jose bills for water only bimonthly and wastewater is on property tax bills.

01:20:47 John McKay: the General Fund Major Tax Revenue comparison is very sobering.

01:23:01 Michelle Bigelow: Comment from Facebook: Miguel Cabrera The shortsighted vision of the MH Residents not voting for Measure A. has really really hampered additional revenue for the City of MH.

01:23:26 Anthony Eulo: Water rates in Morgan Hill are substantially lower than in San Jose. Please contact me if you would like to compare bills so we can better understand the concern.

01:24:07 John McKay: We must work together as a community to deal with issues impacting the entire community

01:25:18 Jim Sergi: hotel is on line downtown?

01:27:51 Jim Sergi: commercial taxes will drop

01:28:50 Jim Sergi: larry stone will agree on this lost of value is very high

01:32:03 Jim Sergi: bank will not loan now it is a mess

01:33:24 Jim Sergi: good news on the hotel downtown thank you

01:42:17 John McKay: We are in uncharted territory. The dramatic loss of business so quickly, the unknown future of how the coronavirus might continue to impact us, how long the federal government can continue to provide stimulus, how many businesses we actually lose in MH, etc... the potential is there to rebound quickly but I believe we must plan on the conservative side as is indicated in current budget proposal, yes, using great recession experience. How we behave now and going forward as a community will have an impact on revenues and services the city can provide and at what levels we provide. Never before has it been more important for the entire community to support this community.

01:45:26 Jim Sergi: no pool this summer is the killer of the ymca you are right

01:46:29 Jim Sergi: vistmorgan hill is going to help?

01:47:42 Anthony Eulo: Steve Levy - can you elaborate a bit on what you had in mind? I'm unsure if you mean the private sector donating to support needed services, the private sector operating for-profit businesses to provide a service, or something else entirely.

01:48:29 Sean Voss: Did the CRC and Aquatic Center operate pre- covid-19 at a net profit?

01:50:23 Sean Voss: For Donald Larkin, in relation to fund 206 and in line with Councilman Spring's question about new revenues, what are the regulations around how much you can charge for various permits, and is there an SLA on turn-around for permit decisions

01:50:23 Jim Sergi: good nes

01:50:39 Jim Sergi: news can you vote on our stuff

01:50:43 Michelle Bigelow: question from Facebook: Tam Bui not really a good question but can we at least try to convince Costco to open a store in MH. That would be great for Sales Tax.

01:51:04 Chris Ghione: Recreation as a whole for the City operated at 90% cost recovery. CRC and Aquatics operations, excluding free services at the Senior Center, would run at complete cost recovery.

01:51:05 Jim Sergi: who did rich replace

01:52:07 Anthony Eulo: A councilmember from Los Gatos was the past representative.

01:53:03 Rich Constantine: Rob Rennie from Los Gatos

01:53:46 Michelle Bigelow: For all of our attendees, please feel free to type any questions you have in the chat box. You can also raise your hand and the Mayor will call you to speak during public comment

01:57:45 Anthony Eulo: In response to the permit revenue charges question, the City can only charge the cost of staff time as a direct cost, that it takes to process the permit

01:59:52 Leslie Little: In response to the question regarding the rules for establishing permit fees, the City is limited to charging for direct costs related to the actual time that it takes to process a permit. Fees and charges are highly regulated by the State

02:10:39 Jim Sergi: I thought it draws down on the fund you put into for unemployment?

02:34:15 Jim Sergi: ++

02:42:57 Jim Sergi: looks like a new fee base

02:43:46 Jim Sergi: just drain the pools and fill with dirt thank you California

02:57:38 Jim Sergi: to much liability for the chamber .

03:07:59 Jim Sergi: how many on this stie as of now ?

03:14:29 Michelle Bigelow: Jim, I think you are asking how many attendees do we have? if yes, there are 65 people particpating

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03:19:04 Maureen Tobin: We have reached 568 on our Facebook page

03:22:29 Jody McRoberts: I attend Summer Fun in the Park. It's a good event, but I think it's low-priority. So I totally understand if it can't continue for a while.

03:22:40 Michelle Bigelow: question from facebook: Juan Miguel Could the Cannabis tax help offset costs of community programs? Has there been talk about leveraging this available revenue source?

03:25:43 Anthony Eulo: Isn't the answer: Any new tax measure could be used to support community programs if it is supported by the voters. There are not current plans to present a ballot measure to the community.

03:31:16 Jody McRoberts: How much does the Citizens Police Academy cost? (Perhaps it's difficult to estimate.)

03:36:34 Jim Sergi: use the 2 new backhoes for police work?

03:48:03 Harjot Sangha: Citizens Police Academy training is about \$8,000.

03:58:29 Michelle Bigelow: comment from facebook: Juan Miguel Thank you for your answer. I remember the meeting and outcome in the fall. I just think that, given the severity of the cuts proposed to the budget, and the new normal we will experience due to COVID, the city ought to consider every revenue option, and reconsider their vote if necessary.

03:59:22 Sean Voss: City Manager should be recognized and praised for taking personal and management COLA cuts for the betterment of the city and citizens.

04:01:33 Rich Constantine: Agreed!!

04:01:51 Yvonne Martinez Beltran: Yes, great leadership, a team player indeed. Thank you to both Christina and our City Attorney Don Larkin

04:15:31 Joe Baranowski: Sorry if this was covered I had to drop off for a bit. Can

04:16:01 Joe Baranowski: Can u give ex of 'strategic inits' planning expense?

04:16:16 Joe Baranowski: Same for "special projects"

04:23:01 Joe Baranowski: The fiscal 2019 year end accounting statement showed total Dev Services expenses last fiscal year was ~\$7.9M. The projected cost reductions show today was \$1M in each of next 2 fiscal years. By math that would represent ~13%, is that the right way to look at the projected cost reductions as percentage?

05:15:57 Kathy Sullivan: On behalf of the Morgan Hill Historical Society, I want to convey our appreciation for the very difficult budget reductions made by City Staff and Council's difficult decisions ahead in approving the budget. Retaining some funding for City Partners ensures ongoing services that support essentials for quality of life for Morgan Hill residents. Many of these services involve dedicated volunteers that save City budget dollars. Working together, we all contribute in reducing the pain our community is feeling.

05:22:38 Monica Delgado: Rick, I believe the \$3.7 million dollar difference you're referencing not seeing in Phase I, is the revenue loss in Fund 206 and Other Funds.

05:36:58 Monica Delgado: The \$17 million revenue loss is on all major revenue sources, whereas the graph with the orange line you're referring to is only the General Fund.

05:59:56 Rakesh Chabra: I also support opening Cannabis stores and generating sales tax revenues for Morgan Hill...

