

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION**

Monday, April 18, 2022

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Stewart, Councilmember Kovar, Councilmember Dyballa, Councilmember Kostiuik, Councilmember Smith, Councilmember Searcy

Absent: Councilmember Seamens

Also present: City Manager Fox, Deputy City Manager Clarke, Finance Director Cheung, Human Resources Director Smith, City Clerk Carpenter

The City Council convened at 7:30 PM in the Auditorium.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Huebner, Ward 3, opposed the proposed tax increase. He urged the Council and City Manager to serve the residents first and balance the City budget.

David Navari spoke in opposition to a tax rate increase. He urged the Mayor and Council to think about the community members that are facing financial hardships.

Pamela Megna was not in favor of the increased tax rate. She stated that the Mayor, Council and City Manager's primary goal should be to ensure fiscal responsibility

BUDGET WORK SESSION

1. Operating and Community Services Budget

Mr. Fox, Ms. Clarke, and departmental staff gave a presentation on the City operations and services proposed budget. (Presentation attached).

ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned for the evening at 8:24 p.m.