



City of Cottonwood Shores

3915 Cottonwood Drive
Marble Falls, Texas 78654
Tel: 512/693-3830

BUDGET MEETING

September 23, 1993

7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kathy Griffith at the City Hall located at 3915 Cottonwood Drive, Cottonwood Shores, Texas. All members of the City Council were present and confirmed by roll call.

The Mayor stated that the reason for the meeting was because the previous budget the Council had worked on was short on revenues. The Council would have to do some cuts somewhere. She advised the Council that the expenditure for Garbage had not been included in the previous budget. It was included in the revenues but not the expenditures. She also said she felt that the reason the City is in such a bind on this budget is they have been depending on the POA money and the City should have set that money aside.

There was some discussion of how much we charge for garbage service and how much we pay to BFI.

The Council had some discussion on how much we are spending on garbage and public service versus how much we are taking in.

Councilor Maugham said she was still confused on some of the allocations. She said she didn't understand why 30% of administrative salary should go to the water department. She said she felt the percentage allocations in consolidated expenses should be changed. Shirley's salary should be administrative and Sharon's salary should be under water. Shirley does not spend 30% of her time on water department. She also said she can't see where Sharon spends 15% of her time on garbage. Her salary should be split between the water and garbage department. Shirley's salary should be split between administrative and public service. That is where it is throwing the budget off. The suggestion was made to change the percentage allocations.

The Mayor said before they decide on the budget, the Council should consider the letter Sharon submitted to them. Councilor Maugham stated that they had to figure out to make up \$50,000.00 before we can even think about giving her another two hours.

There was discussion of the amount of \$6,500.00 for the matching funds to be included in this budget. The City Secretary advised that the amount was not included in last year's budget, and she thought it should be included in this year's budget.

Councilor Smyrl said we need to have more revenue in Public Services. We need to have money coming in from fines and forfeitures. We will get another judge if we don't get some action. Sharon Mullen advised that the Municipal Court was not court for the Council and did not generate revenue for the City. You can not make money off the court. They will come down on you really hard.

Councilor Smyrl asked Ken McBride if we could cut some of the schools for wastewater. Ken advised if they start construction on the sewer, then he and Bill should be in the licensing process.

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Councilor Smyrl stated that it looks like the sewer grant money we will be getting back will have to be used for the water grant money. At least \$6,500.00 of it. He then stated that we could kiss this new grant goodbye. Councilor Gawlik said he agreed, because the money was taken out of the General Fund and it needs to be put back.

The Council discussed where they could make more cuts in the budget. The Mayor said she felt the only place they were over was the \$6,500.00 for the matching funds. It is what is throwing us off because it was not in the budget before. If we take that away from what we are over, it leaves us \$763.00 short. Ken said if you take out the four schools and travel, that is \$1,400.00. The Mayor asked if that was just for wastewater schools. Ken said yes, four wastewater schools at \$75.00 a piece, is \$300.00. The amount for education in the Water Department would go down to \$550.00. The travel for schools would go down also. The amount for travel was \$1,100.00.

Councilor Gawlik asked if the amount we are going to be reimbursed from the sewer is included in this budget. The Mayor said it was included as revenue.

The Mayor advised that the amount for Garbage and Sales Tax was not included in the first budget. The budget also did not include the purchase of a computer either. After checking the previous budget the Council had prepared, they found there was a total amount of \$41,976.00 that was not included in that budget. Councilor Smyrl stated that the only difference he could see from the budget they were working from and the one we have now is \$20,735.00. Councilor Maugham said there were several things that were not included in the budget. The amount came to \$41,976.00. The Mayor said the problem is that the amount for the BFI contract was not included. If you take the garbage revenue and take away the garbage expenditure, the amount is \$6,614.00. Then you add the \$500.00 that she did not include on the first budget, that is just about the amount we are short. Councilor Smyrl said if we re-do the budget with the \$1,400.00 off of it, and reach in our pocket and get the \$6,500.00, we are going to be all right on it. The budget reflected that it was about \$7,300.00 short. The Mayor said that about \$6,600.00 of that is revenue off the garbage that wasn't calculated in there.

Councilor Maugham asked the City Secretary if she files a budget with the County Clerk's office that includes all line items. Shirley said she files every page of the budget. Councilor Maugham then asked what do they look at when they look at the budget. Do they look at the bottom line numbers? Shirley said every time she has filed a budget with the County Clerk's office, she has never heard anything back from them. The Mayor then advised the Council that we could turn in the budget the way it is right now and nothing will ever be said about it. Councilor Smyrl said we can't in good conscious do that.

Councilor Smyrl said that we shouldn't raise the garbage any more than what BFI is going to raise it to us.

Councilor Maugham said why can't we use the money in savings to pay the \$6,500.00 for the matching funds. Shirley said it could be shown on the budget as a debt transfer. She advised the Council that it was shown on last year's budget the same way. Councilor Smyrl said that they should have gone through the budget last year the same way. The Council approved a lot of stuff without digging deep enough.

Councilor Maugham stated that if by law we have to send Ken to school for the sewer and construction is not going to start for a while, why not cross that bridge when we come to it. We can always amend the budget if they have to go to school.

The Council was in agreement that with the new amounts included in the budget, and with the cuts of the four wastewater schools and travel, the budget would be satisfactory. They decided to show the \$6,500.00 as a debt transfer.

The Council set the date for approving the budget for September 30, 1993 immediately following the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

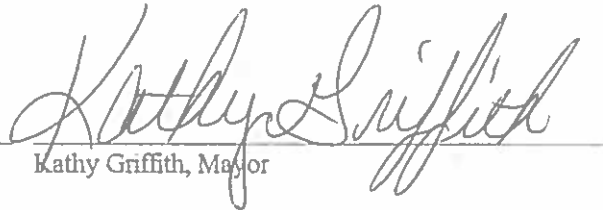
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Councilor Wilson made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Maugham seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m..

Respectfully,


Shirley Pitts, City Secretary


Kathy Griffith, Mayor



Cash Position of Funds
September 1 to September 30, 1993

	Checking	Hi-Fi	Int & Sinking	Total
Beginning Balance	3,843.44	26,162.95	2,285.30	32,291.69
Deposits	16,364.91	65.78	9.19	16,439.88
Transfers				
Disbursements	<14,647.57>			<14,647.57>
Adjustments	<18.08>			<18.08>
Ending Balance	5,542.70	26,228.73	2,294.49	34,065.92

Statement of Actual and Estimated Revenues
September 1 to September 30, 1993

Account	Month	Year to Date	Budget Estimate	Unreceived Balance
General Fund	1,004.57	59,809.93	\$55,854	<3,955.93>
Water Dept	11,753.12	90,982.17	\$84,000	<6,982.17>
Garbage Dept	3,482.19	40,337.93	\$39,734	<603.93>
Public Services Dept	200.00	1,616.50	\$2,800	1,183.50
TOTAL REVENUES	16,439.88	192,746.53	\$182,388	<10,358.53>

Statement of Actual and Estimated Expenses
September 1 to September 30, 1993

Account	Month	Year to Date	Budget Estimate	Unspent Balance
Administration Dept	2,124.89	28,861.08	\$26,474	<2,387.08>
Water Dept	8,377.43	89,799.93	\$78,719	<11,080.93>
Garbage Dept	3,113.64	40,151.99	\$38,286	<1,865.99>
Public Services Dept	1,031.61	22,164.22	\$31,132	8,967.78
TOTAL EXPENSES	14,647.57	180,977.22	\$174,611	<6,366.22>



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BUDGET MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

September 23, 1993

7:00 P.M.

CITY HALL

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AGENDA

1. Discussion and/or action on proposed Budget for 1993-94 fiscal year.

I certify that the above notice was posted on the bulletin board located at 3915 Cottonwood Drive, Cottonwood Shores, Texas this 20th day of September, 1993.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shirley Pitts".

Shirley Pitts
City Secretary/Clerk