

**Financial Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2020**

Board Members Present	Board Member(s) Absent	Staff Present	Guest(s) Present
Ksana Oglesby (Chair)	Steve Beckley	Steve Boyd	Brian Mantz
Christian Henny		Yvette Gustad	
Ted Edmonds		Jenn Ooton	
Munro Wilcox		Matt Langhorst	
Annette Franta		Warren Hays	
Kathryn Trauger		Mike Hoffman	
Dan Sullivan			
Mike McCallum			
Erik Kushto			
Paula Stepp (Council)			
Charlie Willman (Council)			
Jonathan Godes (Council)			

- Chair Ksana Oglesby opened the meeting at 7:30.
- No public comment.
- Kathryn moved, Ted seconded approval of minutes from August 26, 2020. Passed unanimously.
- ERP update included pushing back the implementation of utility billing and having made progress on the Power BI reporting.
- August sales tax numbers are going to be hurt as a result of the fires. Staff believes the month will come in around 10% below last year. That would put us approximately 11.25% below 2019 through September. Staff is forecasting tax to come in flat to down about 5%. A flat last quarter would put the City down 7.3% for the full 2020.
- Bryan Mantz from GovRates presented a preview of the presentation Council will hear on Water/Wastewater rates on October 15th. The Board considered several scenarios, all of which included substantial rate increases. The primary point of discussion was whether to right size rates in one change sometime in 2021, vs. phasing the increases in over a 2 to 4-year period. Mantz recommended a one-time change to minimize cost-of-capital, reduce construction costs by not incurring inflation increases, and to establish a higher borrowing capacity resulting from better cash flow to service the debt. Kathryn moved and Erik seconded a motion to issue a Council recommendation to increase rates as proposed by our consultant. Passed unanimously. Bryan Mantz was invited to the Oct 1 Council meeting.

Next regular FAB meeting is scheduled for October 28th at 7:30 am via Zoom