

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

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Mayor Paul Helenberg called the pre-budget workshop of the Castle Rock City Council to order at 3:21 PM.

a. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Helenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

b. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Art Lee, Lee Kessler, Earl Queen, and Ellen Rose.

Staff present: Police Chief Charlie Worley, Public Works Director Dave Vorse, Public Works Senior Operator Tyler Stone, and Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro.

## 2. WORKSHOP

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a. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss items that may be included in the 2024 budget.

Discussion may include maintenance projects, capital projects, wages, consideration of increase in utility rates, revenue projections and proposed expenditure items.

Mayor Helenberg, Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro, Police Chief Charlie Worley, Public Works Director Dave Vorse, Councilmembers Lee Kessler, Art Lee, and Earl Queen discussed the drop in revenues.

Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro stated she could send the entire fund revenue report to council so they could see each line item individually.

Dave Vorse asked those in attendance if there were any items such as projects, personnel, etc. they would like to see incorporated into the budget.

Councilmember Art Lee stated he would like to see upgraded timers on the lights on the trail.

Dave Vorse stated a grant may be able to be obtained for projects such as the lights on the trail and other maintenance projects through a Local Park Maintenance Grant.

Councilmember Lee Kessler requested to add or replace the 'No Overnight Parking or Camping' signs at Lion's Pride Park.

Councilmember Art Lee requested consideration of a water feature park/spray park.

Councilmember Ellen Rose requested "City of Smiles" signs and cameras at the Reservoir by Carpenter Road.

Councilmember Earl Queen requested better crosswalk observance. Councilmember Lee Kessler suggested looking into how much it would cost to install the push buttons with the flashing lights at the crosswalks. Mayor Helenberg and Art Lee requested painting the additional curbing along Huntignton Avenue in front of Fibre Federal and along Front Avenue by the Creation Center.

Councilmember Lee Kessler requested to add another officer to the force and also requested additional information on tax limitations for funding police officers.

Councilmember Ellen Rose requested looking into help for the Visitor Center.

Police Chief Charlie Worley is expecting to see a proposal regarding the Humane Society sometime in September.

Mayor Helenberg requested looking into replacing the City Hall building sign with a larger sign and possibly remodeling/updating the City Hall foyer.

Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro requested looking into revamping or resurfacing the stairs inside City Hall.

Police Chief Charlie Worley would like to look into additional space for the Police Department.

### **3. ADJOURNMENT**

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There being no further business, Mayor Helenberg adjourned the meeting at 4:37 PM.

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Mayor Paul Helenberg

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Clerk-Treasurer Carie Cuttonaro