

2017 Budget - Questions for clarification, flagged items and post-budget follow up items

Council is asked to reserve questions until each presentation is completed.

After each presentation the Mayor will call for items in the order listed below:

No
Council
vote
required

1) Questions for clarification

- When direct clarification is required and a response can be provided immediately by administration
- Does not require further information from administration or future Council discussion
- If question is not adequately answered and/or requires information to be brought back, or further discussion, it proceeds to flagged item process (below)

COUNCIL
VOTE
required

2) Flagged Items – Information requests and future discussion

- If an issue raised by a Council member is deemed critical for budget approval
- The Mayor will call for a vote on whether the issue should be flagged for follow up during the budget process. If the item receives the majority of votes, the item will be flagged and will come back to Council during the budget process.
- Items may be flagged to:
 - o Bring back for additional Council discussion
 - o Require further information from administration
- All flagged items will be brought forward for Council discussion and direction prior to budget approval (flagged item discussions are currently scheduled for Nov. 28 & Dec. 1, if required)

COUNCIL
VOTE
required on
subsequent
motions

3) Follow-up items post-budget approval

- When information is non-critical to budget approval and the focus is on enhanced understanding
- Information can be received by Council after budget approval (by February 21, 2017)
- Voting on subsequent motions for follow up items will occur at the end of budget presentations

At the end of each presentation, administration will reconfirm flagged items, questions of clarification or post-budget follow-up items and keep record.

Council will be provided with necessary information critical for budget approval and administration responses are focused on most critical information required by Council.