

**Minutes of Citizen Workshop
2014 Budget Summary and Issues
Wednesday, July 31, 2013 – 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers**

The workshop convened at 6:00 PM. City Manager George Forbes welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending and participating.

The Mayor and City Council Members in attendance, as follows:

Mayor Charlie Latham

Council Member Keith Doherty
Council Member Steve Hartkemeyer
Council Member Christine Hoffman

Council Member Tom Taylor
Council Member Phil Vogelsang
Council Member Jeanell Wilson

All City Department Directors were in attendance.

Purpose of Workshop

The purpose of the workshop was to review the City's financial condition going into the 2014 budget year.

Mr. Forbes gave a PowerPoint presentation (copy attached), beginning with a review of the City's Mission – Quality of Life, then on to a review of the General Fund. Mr. Forbes stated that the City of Jacksonville Beach is doing well, noting that the City's outstanding debt will be paid off in seven years. There are still challenges with increased health care and pension costs, and rising costs due to Federal and State regulations for electric, water, sewer, and stormwater.

At the conclusion of the presentation, Mr. Forbes explained the next session of the workshop would involve the attendees. Each table represented a work group of 4 to 5 people. Mr. Forbes explained that each group's assignment, for the next 30 minutes, was as follows:

- List 3 things learned from the presentation
- What do you and your family value most about the quality of life in Jacksonville Beach
- List 1 – 2 questions about the budget

There were three groups who made their presentations (*attached*), followed by some questions and a brief discussion. Mr. Forbes thanked everyone for participating. The workshop adjourned at 7:20 PM.

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Approved:

/s/William C. Latham

William C. Latham, Mayor

Date: August 19, 2013