

2022 Budget Tour Information
MAY 19, 2022 Special City Council Meeting – Budget Tour

Members Present:

Jantzer, Olson, Pitner, Podrygula, Sipma

Members Absent:

Evans, Ross

The City Council Budget Tour began at 3:01 pm at City Hall, PD Training Room B.

Lance Meyer, City Engineer, presented on the Traffic and Engineering Department budgets. He started his presentation with showing his staff and organizational chart. He mentioned that the top priorities for his department matched the priorities of the community survey which are the maintenance of streets and sidewalks, along with traffic flow.

The Traffic Department needs a new vehicle for the 2023 budget. The Traffic Department is also working on projects such as the Advanced Traffic Management System, LED Light Conversion, Traffic Signal Replacement, and in 2023 would like to do a Long-Range Transportation Plan.

Alderswoman Evans arrived to the meeting at 3:47 pm.

As for the Engineering Department they are also needing a new vehicle. They are looking to add a new position, an Engineering Technician, for Right-of-Way Management. Lance discussed an infrastructure program and mentioned the department would recommend a study be done in 2024. Lance also discussed the Pavement Management Plan his department has been working on and the funding needed.

Alderman Podrygula and Pitner left the meeting at 4:05 pm.

The bus tour took the attendees to around town to show them the different road conditions and PCI's for the roads at the different locations. They discussed the different processes to repair the roads and the difference in the concrete roads and asphalt roads. The tour then went to the new City Hall in downtown Minot. They showed the council all three floors of the building. The bus tour was completed at 5:35 pm.

The council had a working dinner that began at 5:50 pm. Harold Stewart presented on the City Manager budget along with the City's budget as a whole. He discussed the PIO Department wanting to add another full-time employee and money in the equipment and training expense line items. Harold talked about the community survey and how the City of Minot should look at doing another in the Fall of 2023. He mentioned discussion items for the next legislative biennium and how the City of Minot should look at the recruitment and retention of employees.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

ATTEST: Mikayla McWilliams
Mikayla McWilliams, City Clerk

APPROVED: Shaun Sipma
Shaun Sipma, Mayor