

City of Darien
Minutes of the Administrative/Finance Committee of the Whole
Budget Meeting
February 19, 2025

The Meeting was called to order by Chairwoman/Aldерwoman Sullivan at 6:00 pm. Other council members in attendance included Mayor Joseph Marchese, Alderpersons Tom Belczak, Ralph Stompanato, Eric Gustafson, Ted Schauer, Gerry Leganski, City Administrator Bryon Vana, Assistant to City Administrator Lisa Klemm, Director of Municipal Services Dan Gombac, Director DBA/Community Events April Padalik and Treasurer Mike Coren

1 FYE 4-30-26 Budget Review

Alderwoman Sullivan began by providing an overview of the FYE 4-30-26 budget review process. Prior to reviewing the department expense budgets, Administrator Vana advised he would keep a list of the ongoing changes and modification from the budget meetings and distribute those after the budget review has been finished. The discussion included DBA/Community Events, Community Development, Street Division, and Capital Projects budgets. Administrator Vana stated that any necessary follow up to tonight's meeting will be reviewed at the February 26, 2025 budget meeting. Administrator Vana advised that he and Mayor Marchese are recommending no increase to last year's property tax levy extension. Vana advised no action is necessary this evening but the council would need to approve a tax levy abatement ordinance in order to reduce the tax levy that was approved in November of 2024.

Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 9:50pm

Mayor

City Clerk