Minutes of Budget Workshop held August 5, 2002

Budget Workshop with the following present: Mayor Horace Fincher; Aldermen Charles Bushart, Gerry Elias, Juan Garcia; City Secretary Josie Campa; Aldermen Mark Bowen and Erik Dahler were absent.

Visitors: Kathy Adams, Sylvia Carrizales.

Mayor Fincher and City Secretary Josie Campa reviewed the proposed budgets for the water, gas and sewer funds for next year with Council.

The City Secretary explained that the proposed budgets include a 5% salary increase for titled employees and 10% increase for the rest of the employees. She also told Council that the budgets presented do not show any increases in utility rates, but that Council may want to consider increasing water rates to cover the added expense of aquifer and water lease fees.

The City Secretary also told Council that medical insurance for employees is going up $31.60 per month per employee, and asked if they would like to hear a presentation about other insurance plans. After discussion, it was agreed if the funds can take the increase on the medical insurance, then the present plan can be continued.

Budget workshop was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Mayor

City Secretary