

Mayor's Message - Budget Process

By Mayor Bob Woodruff

- The council utilizes a zero based budget approach with a three year historical perspective, that is each department must reaffirm their needs each year. We do have a 3 year period within which to determine consistent needs, this also takes into account the aberrational events which may impact a particular year
- At this point we are dealing with operational costs – not capital – which is defined as items with at least a five (5) year life expectancy
- Our CFO, Mike Marceau and Business Administrator, John Bussiculo met with all department heads to address their operational needs – this short circuits the process- ultimately we are presented with the departments requests and the recommendation from our finance team, CFO and BA
- “Outside the cap” we anticipate being under 2% on our operational costs/expenses
- Any citizen with a question can pick up a copy of the operational budget from Town Hall or pull up a copy online.