

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
July 16, 2024**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in a Budget Workshop on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 4:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas. The elected officials present included Mayor, Connie Koopmann, Alderwoman, Kathy Kleiber, Aldermen, Frank Wick III, Roger Moellenberndt, and Clarence Ahlschlager. City Staff present were City Administrator, Tami Walker, Projects Manager, Glenn Polasek, Police Chief, Troy Brenek, Accounts Payable/Municipal Court Clerk, Julie Cernosek, and City Secretary, Mason Florus.

Visitors included Drew Whittington with Government Capital, and Iván Velasquez.

Mayor Koopmann called role.

Mrs. Walker began the workshop by inviting Drew Whittington of Government Capital to address Council.

Mr. Whittington said his company can provide financing options so cities can acquire assets or fund projects such as the Civic Center, City Hall Remodel, and Babylon Sewer plant expansion.

Mr. Whittington disbursed handouts and explained seven different funding options that Government Capital can assist the City with.

Mrs. Walker asked Council if they wished to consider hiring Mr. Whittington as a Municipal Advisor at the next Council Meeting. There was a general consensus that Mrs. Walker add that as an agenda item for the first meeting in August.

Mrs. Walker announced to Council that Chuck Brown Ford reached out if the City would be interested in a used truck. It's a 2024 3/4ton with a little over 3,000 miles for \$65,663.80. Mrs. Walker stated that we have the money to purchase this year, we will take out the Operations Manager truck in the current budget but still leave the equipment in the budget for grill guard, lights, etc.

There was a general consensus from Council to purchase this truck this year. Mayor Koopmann, as the City's Chief Executive Officer, granted the City Administrator, Tami Walker, authority to purchase the truck.

Mrs. Walker handed out packets to Council that broke down budgeted salaries by departments.

Mrs. Walker also informed Council that if City Staff demos some of City Hall (mainly the exterior aluminum and the interior counters) there could be additional savings in the budget.

As of right now, the budget is at a \$2,757,837deficite. However, with the few changes made tonight, plus the opportunity to potentially finance the Civic Center, City Hall, and the College

Street Projects, a more accurate number will be produced during the August 6th Budget Workshop.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Kleiber, to adjourn the workshop at 6:17. The motion passed unanimously.