

**TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**October 16, 2017**

**Council/Staff Budget Workshop**

Mayor C. Jiménez called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Clara Jiménez and Councilmembers J. Eligio Jiménez, Mark Oaks, Derald Ortloff, Gabriel Piñon, Blaine Thorington and Angelica Walle.

Staff Present: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), Finance Director/City Clerk Debbie Zabell (FD Zabell), Police Chief Curt Ruggles, Fire Chief Tim Smith, Community Development Director William Rathbone, Public Works Superintendent Rocky Wallace and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

Councilmember J. Jiménez arrived at the meeting at 5:42 p.m.

Councilmember Thorington arrived at 6:58 p.m. and left the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

**DEPARTMENT BUDGET REVIEWS**

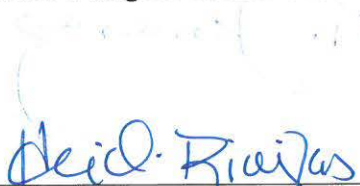
Each staff member gave a budget review for their respective departments to describe the various increases or decreases for each budget in the 2018 Preliminary Budget.

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Councilmember J. Jiménez noted that he is still receiving calls regarding potholes. PWS Wallace responded that the callers should be directed to Public Works with their concerns about potholes in order for those streets to be placed on the future street repair list. Councilmember Walle suggested having the 2018 Preliminary Budget available at the Council meeting for the public. FD Zabell responded that the budget is available for the public at the library and at City Hall, and will be posted on the City's website later this week. Councilmember Oaks expressed his appreciation for the management team and their work on the budget. Councilmember Ortloff noted his gratitude for the management team and their ability to stretch each budget dollar to maintain City services. Councilmember Piñon inquired on the progress of Police Explorers program. Chief Ruggles noted that it was still too early to tell in that there new police officers just returning from the Police Academy. Mayor C. Jiménez complimented management team on maintaining the level of City services on a tight budget.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

  
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HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC  
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK

  
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CLARA R. JIMÉNEZ, MAYOR