

RESOLUTION NO. 369

WHEREAS, the City budget is of vital importance to the prosperity and efficiency of the City; and

WHEREAS, the budget implements the City's goals and objectives; and

WHEREAS, the budget incorporates the City's priorities for meeting competing needs; and

WHEREAS, City Council should participate in setting goals and priorities at the beginning of the annual budget process; and

WHEREAS, the general public should have the opportunity to recommend goals and priorities and to suggest program changes early in the budget process; and

WHEREAS, the budget process as it now operates confines general public comment and City Council action to the end of the budget process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that City Council establish an Ad Hoc Budget Procedures Advisory Committee to accomplish the following purposes:

- 1). Review the entire City budget process;
- 2). Recommend changes to allow City Council to advise the City Manager on its goals and priorities early in the budget process;
- 3). Recommend changes to allow citizen involvement early in the budget process;
- 4). Make recommendations on whether there is a need for a permanent advisory committee on the budget, and if so, what its role and structure should be.
- 5). Make other recommendations on the budget process which it may decide are needed and appropriate.

The Ad Hoc Budget Procedures Advisory Committee shall consist of five citizen members, appointed by City Council for a term of six months. The Mayor shall appoint a convener, and the Committee elect its own officers and adopt its own rules. The Committee shall be invited to send members to any budget meetings held by City Council during its term of office. The City Manager and his budget staff shall make available to the Committee any necessary information on the budget process, and provide any necessary staff support. The Committee shall make its recommendations to City Council before the end of its term.

Adopted February 11, 1975



Helen Vickers, City Clerk and
Clerk of Council