

**City of Ypsilanti
Council Budget Study Session
Tuesday, May 11, 2004
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Farmer called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers, One South Huron Street, Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Present: Mayor Farmer, Council Member LaRue, Council Member Nickels,
Council Member Richardson and Council Member Gawlas.

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Swanson and Council Member Schulze

Council Member Gawlas motioned to excuse the absence of Council Member Schulze and Mayor Pro-Tem Swanson; Council Member Richardson supported.

Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Absent: Swanson, Schulze Vote: Unanimous

INVOCATION

Barry LaRue dedicated the moment of silence in memory of former Council Member Daniel Hoffman.

Mayor Pro-Tem Swanson arrived at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"I pledge allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Tyrone Wilson representing RAID and the National Action Network expressed his concern with the discussion on the budget.

PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

A. Overall Review

City Manager, Edward Koryzno said the State of Michigan Revenue Estimating Conference in Lansing will be held May, 18, 2004. He stated at the conference he would receive further information regarding the upcoming State Fiscal Year Budget to present before Council.

B. City Clerk's Office

Interim City Clerk, Cherry Lawson stated the accomplishments for the 2003 and 2004 Fiscal Year. She stated former City Clerk, Robert Slone and herself selected some of the Councils Goals that were most appropriate to the Clerk's Office. Interim Clerk Lawson listed the proposed amounts for the City Clerk's Office, Council and Election Budget.

C. Ypsilanti Police Department

Police Chief, George Baser presented the Police Departments 2004/2005 Fiscal Year Budget. He introduced his Administrative Assistant, Dawn Dykema and Captain Matt Harshberger and requested Council not to make any further cuts to the Police Department Budget. He presented a list of accomplishment with the Citizens Police Academy, COPAC and volunteer services. Basar said during the 2004/2005 Fiscal Year we will no longer hold the Middle School Police Academy due to lack of funding. Overall the Budget presented this year is the same as last year except for an increase in over-time to accommodate the increase in staff salaries. He also stated the Capital Budget had no money allocated although there will be some Capital Purchases which will be covered by the Drug Forfeiture Fund or PECP Fund.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 9:06 p.m.