



Resolution No.2010 – 012  
February 2, 2010

**RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:**

WHEREAS, the City Charter requires that each year in February, City Council provides the City Manager by resolution the budget priorities for the next fiscal year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with Section 5.02 of the City Charter, the following direction is hereby given:

That the City Manager shall present City council with a balanced Resources Allocation Plan for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 using the following organizational values, goals and action strategies:

**Organizational Values**

Three fundamental values continue to underlie our work together on behalf of the citizens of and visitors to the City of Ypsilanti.

- 1. *Open, transparent and accessible decision-making***  
We are committed to openness and transparency in our decision-making, doing whatever we can to ensure that information is available to the public in a timely fashion and in a manner that is easily understood, and providing opportunities for public engagement and participation in decision-making.
- 2. *Fiscal solvency and sustainability***  
We are committed to ensuring the long-term financial stability of the City. Our budget decisions must reflect a balance between short and long-term considerations, and we will work to reduce the costs of city services to the extent we can while maintaining effective city services and a sound infrastructure.
- 3. *Customer Friendly Service***  
We are committed to providing services to residents and visitors in a customer friendly fashion, ensuring that service processes are effective and understandable, being responsive to requests for service to the extent we can consistent with procedures and resources, and ensuring that people recognize the limits of our ability to respond.

## **Goals and Action Strategies for Fiscal Year 2010-2011**

Previously, Council has been provided a list of goals associated with action strategies. However, due to the City's precarious fiscal condition, there is one underlying goal:

### ***Reduce General Fund Expenses to Balance the General Fund Budget for Fiscal years 2010-2011 and 2011-2012***

The following action strategies have been established utilizing the information provided by City Council during the four goal setting sessions that occurred on November 9, 2009, December 7, 2009, January 11, 2010 and January 19, 2010:

#### **Action Strategies**

1. *Police Department reductions through various opportunities including but not limited to the following:*
  - Reduce police staffing by eliminating five officer positions effective 7/1/10
  - Eliminate the vacant Road Lieutenant position
  - Staff Lawnet with two officers and fund City's financial commitment using drug forfeiture funds
  - Contract with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office and Huron Valley Ambulance to provide Police and Fire Dispatch services
  
2. *Fire Department reductions through various opportunities including but not limited to the following:*
  - Reduce Fire Fighter staffing by eliminating 3 to 6 firefighters effective 7/1/10
  
3. *Public Works reductions through various opportunities, including, but not limited to the following:*
  - Reduce Public Building Maintenance Budget by \$50,000
  
4. *Administration reductions through various opportunities, including, but not limited to the following:*
  - Implement 5% wage reduction effective 3/1/10 for all non-union employees by requiring thirteen (13) annual furlough days where City Hall would be closed.
  - Reduce City Council compensation by 5% and overall City Council budget by \$13,334, effective 1/1/10 and maintain reduction
  - Continue to fund a portion of one-half of utility costs for the Parkridge Community Center, Rutherford Pool and Senior Center by using money taken from the General Fund Balance
  - Eliminate two part-time Finance Department generalist positions effective 7/1/10
  - Require the Downtown Development Authority to pay the City for services provided to the Authority's District

OFFERED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ Council Member Robb

SUPPORTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ Council Member Bodary

YES: 7                      NO: 0                      ABSENT: 0                      VOTE: Carried

I do hereby certify that the above resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution 2010-012 as passed by the Ypsilanti City Council, at their Meeting held on February 2, 2010.

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Frances McMullan, City Clerk