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Hiawatha Insights

2012 - 2013 Fiscal Year Budget - Finance Dept.

July 1, 2012 marks the beginning of a new fiscal year for the City of Hiawatha. The City's finances are divided into 6 categories/funds, which include, General Fund, Special Revenue Fund, Tax-Increment financing (TIF) Fund, Debt Service Fund, Capital Project Fund, and Enterprise Fund.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the City. It supports operations including Police, Fire, Ambulance, Library, Park and Recreation, Building, Mayor and Council, Clerk and Finance, City Hall, Legal Fees, and Election Expenses.

The Special Revenues Fund contains the proceeds from a specific source and are required by law to be accounted for separately and used for specific purpose. Included in the Special Revenue Fund are TIF revenues, Road Use Tax, Local Option Sales Tax, and Employee Benefits.

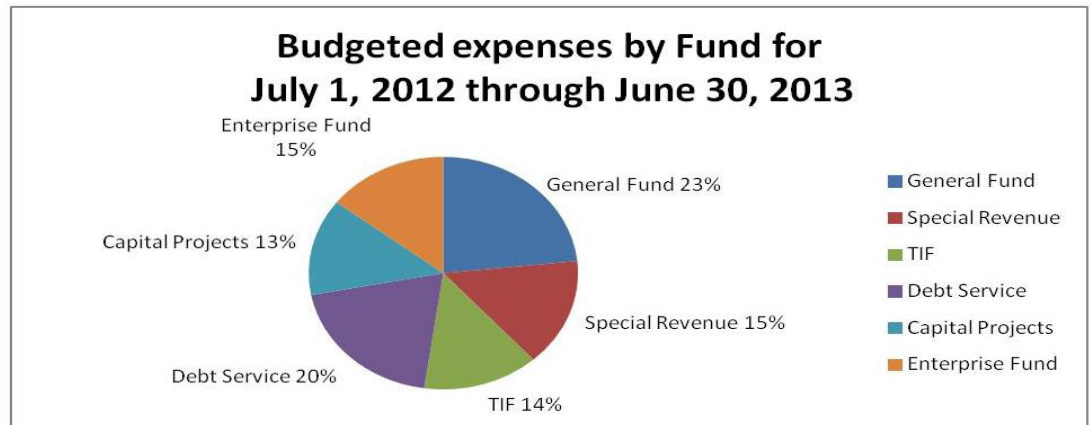
The TIF Fund is a special revenue fund that helps the City in achieving a variety of economic development goals, including job creation, growth in property values and protection of the local tax base. TIF can also be used to finance public improvements (such as streets, sewers, water, sidewalks, and other infrastructure).

The Debt Service Fund is dedicated for the payment of principal and interest on the City's long term debt. This is a special levy that the Council approved in the budget to pay for our debt payments in FY13.

Capital Projects Fund is used to account for the resources used in the acquisition and construction of large capital projects including, but not limited to, street construction, water and sewer main extensions or repairs, land, equipment or building acquisitions, and storm sewer installations or repairs.

The Enterprise Fund consists of the operations and maintenance of the City's utilities including water, sewer and storm sewer.

In the chart, I have illustrated the budget expenses by fund for the upcoming budget year of July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013. As you can see, the General Fund is the largest portion of the City's budget, 23% of the total budgeted expenses equaling \$3,411,234. Debt Service is the next largest, at 20% of the total or \$2,881,149, this includes the payments made for all of the City's debt. Special Revenue expenses are \$2,196,838 and Enterprise Fund expenses are \$2,129,401 and are both 15% of the total each. TIF expenses are expected to be \$2,035,233 which includes payments of principal and interest on the City's debt and the Development Agreements that are in place to aid in economic development. Anticipated expenses for the Capital Project Fund are budgeted for \$1,967,255. The total operating budget for the City in the upcoming fiscal year is \$14,621,110.



Coffee With Council Schedule

2012 Coffee With Council Schedule

PLACE	Date (Schedule is subject to change)	Time
Public Works Building	Tuesday, June 26, 2012	5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Clark Park	Tuesday, July 10, 2012	6:30 p.m. (During Parks Meeting)
Library	Tuesday, August 28, 2012	5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
City Hall / Community Development / PD / Water	Tuesday, September 25, 2012	5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Fire Department	Tuesday, October 30, 2012	5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Iron Plant	Tuesday, November 27, 2012	5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

If you would like to take a tour of any of the City facilities or talk with your Council, the public is always welcome to attend any and all of the above meetings.

Sustainable Lawn Care - Community Development Department

Go P-Free

Phosphorus-Free

Help prevent algal blooms and growth of unwanted aquatic vegetation in your streams and lakes.

- Unless you have newly seeded lawn, most soils in Iowa provide all of the phosphorus needed
- Understand the fertilizer label: NPK N=nitrogen; P=phosphorus; K=potassium
- Choose a fertilizer that is P-Free or contains "0" phosphorus
- Ask your commercial applicator to use only phosphorus-free fertilizer and have them sweep any excess from impervious surfaces such as driveways and sidewalks.



Notice to Water Customers

Effective July 1, 2012, the Hiawatha Water Board has increased water rates by the minimum rate of 2% and added a fixed Source Water Development and Water Storage Maintenance Program charge.

WATER RATES

The new water rates for the first 1000 gallons are as follows:

Minimum Charge:	Meter Size
\$ 6.64	5/8 inch, 3/4 inch
\$ 7.53	1 inch
\$ 9.74	1 1/2 inch
\$11.76	2 inch
\$15.67	3 inch
\$23.18	4 inch



The Commodity Charge has increased from \$3.67 to \$3.74 per 1000 gallons thereafter the first 1000 gallons.

Source Water Development and Water Storage Maintenance Program

The new service code pertaining to this charge will appear as MP on your water bill. These charges are based off of meter size and will be as follows:

Residential Water Rider rate includes every residence, apartment dwelling unit, and dwelling unit in a mobile home park:
 \$1.73 Per residential unit

Business, Commercial, & Industrial Rider rate per meter size:
 \$2.25 5/8x3/4 inch
 \$3.25 1 inch
 \$4.25 1 1/2 inch
 \$5.25 2 inch
 \$6.25 3 inch
 \$7.25 4 inch



If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact the Water Department during the hours of 8-5 Monday through Friday at 393-5556 option #4.

Hiawatha Fastest Growing Companies

At its annual Fastest Growing Companies event on May 22, 2012, the Corridor Business Journal (CBJ) awarded 25 companies for their revenue growth during the past three years.

The awards were presented at the Coralville Marriott. More information is available in the May 28 edition of the CBJ.

Of 25 companies awarded, five (5) companies call Hiawatha their home: Midwest Microwave Solutions, Mobile Demand, Crystal Group, Health Solutions and Compass Commercial Services.

Congratulations to each of these companies, their hard work and dedication to their profession has earned them this prestigious award with percentage growths that range from 131% to 421.4% in growth in a short period of time.



Solicitor's License Revised

An Ordinance Amending The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Hiawatha, Iowa, 1996, By Amending Chapter 122 Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants §122.02 Definitions (2.) "Solicitor" Placing Limits on Contests and Raffles.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIAWATHA, IOWA:

Section 1. Chapter 122 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Hiawatha, Iowa, 1996, is hereby amended and adopted as follows:

Section 122.02 DEFINITIONS.

2. "Solicitor" means any person who solicits or attempt to solicit from house to house or upon the public street any contribution, donation, raffle, contest or any order for goods, service, subscriptions or merchandise to be delivered at a future date.

Section 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 19th day of June, 2012.

Hiawatha 4th Annual Bike Rodeo

The Hiawatha Parks and Recreation Department hosted the 4th Annual Bike Rodeo on May 25, 2012 in Guthridge Park. The event was sponsored by the Iowa Trial Lawyers Association, Tom Riley Law Firm and Friends of Hiawatha Parks and Recreation. Participants were given a free helmet fitted correctly by the Hawkeye Bike Club. The Hiawatha and Marion Police Departments conducted bike safety riding tips and education on hand signals. They were able to demonstrate proper stopping procedures and how to use proper hand signals for turns.

After completing the bike stations, the children decorated their bikes for a bike parade around Guthridge Park. We were able to give out over 60 helmets to participants.

"Bicycles are associated with more childhood injuries than any other consumer product except the automobile." Bike helmets have been shown to reduce the risk of head injury. The donation of helmets and teaching of bicycle safety aids in preventing future bike injuries.



Introducing New Library Pages



Kylee Morrell

We are pleased to welcome two new staff members to the Hiawatha Public Library. Erin Zaputil and Kylee Morrell are our two new library pages.

In addition to her new position, Erin is also a paraeducator with the Cedar Rapids Community Schools. She currently resides in Cedar Rapids with her husband and their five children.

Kylee comes to us from the Marion Public Library, where she had worked since 2011. Originally from Wisconsin, she now resides in Springville and is looking forward to getting married in July.

Both are excited to be joining the staff at the library and are enjoying the opportunity to be involved with literacy and helping out our patrons.

We are excited to have them on staff!



Erin Zaputil

Council Action

June 6, 2012

Resolution 12-122 - Approve sewer waiver on second meter for 220 Willowwood Drive.

Resolution 12-123 - Approve sewer waiver on second meter for 224 Willowwood Drive.

Resolution 12-124 - Set public hearing date (June 19, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.) to consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 106 Resource Recovery and Refuse Disposal amending §106.05 Disposal Requirements.

Resolution 12-125 - Set public hearing date (June 19, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.) to consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 122 Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants amending §122.02 Definitions (2.) "Solicitor" adding language for further classification.

Resolution 12-126 - Set public hearing date (June 19, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.) to consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 69 Parking Regulations §69.08 No Parking Zones adding parking restrictions for both sides of Blairsferry Crossing from Miller Road to the east side of Ridgewood Drive.

Resolution 12-127 - Set public hearing date (June 19, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.) to consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 65 Stop or Yield Required §65.01 Stop Intersection (2.) Stop Intersection adding (AA.) Willowwood Drive. Vehicles traveling east on Willowwood Drive shall stop at S. Blairsferry Crossing.

Resolution 12-128 - Authorize the commissioning of City Hall by KJWW Engineering Consulting as recommended by City staff in an amount not to exceed \$16,700.00 in order to correct issues with heating/cooling system.

Resolution 12-129 - Amend 2010 Employee Policy Manual Section VIII Education Assistance setting a reimbursement maximum per calendar year.

Resolution 12-130 - Authorize relocation of overhead utility wires underground and removal of utility poles in connection with the Boyson Road and Robins Road Underground Utility Relocation Project.

Resolution 12-133 Accept work and fix amount to be assessed for Stamy Road from North of Kacena Road to Tower Terrace Road Pavement Extension Project without 10% default and deficiency charge.

Resolution 12-134 - Adopt and levy Final Schedule of Assessments and provide for payment thereof for Stamy Road from North of Kacena Road to Tower Terrace Road Pavement Extension Project.

Resolution 12-135 - Approve Employee Health, Dental, Life, Disability and Vision Benefits from July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013.

Resolution 12-136 - Authorize City Clerk to participate as an executive board member with the Iowa League of Cities with compensation and mileage reimbursement.

June 19, 2012

Ordinance 727 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 106 Resource Recovery and Refuse Disposal amending §106.05 Disposal Requirements.

Ordinance 728 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 122 Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants §122.02 Definitions (2.) "Solicitor".

Ordinance 730 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 65 Stop or Yield Required §65.01 Stop Intersections: (2) Stop Intersection Adding Item (AA.) Willowwood Drive.

Resolution 12-137 - Approve payment for purchase of miscellaneous equipment and detailing for the Fire Department 2012 4-Wheel Drive Chevrolet Tahoe Special Service Vehicle for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

Resolution 12-138 - Set LED standards within commercial/industrial development areas.

Resolution 12-139 - Authorize Price Industrial Electric Inc., Right of Way permission to bury Fiber Optics Cable for the Joint Communications Network / City of Cedar Rapids, Linn County and the Cedar Rapids Community School district.

Resolution 12-140 - Authorize City Attorney to proceed with negotiations for sale of particular property - 999 Boyson Road.

History Commission Remembers 30 Years of Burgers!

Yes, Hiawatha did have an "A & W" Root Beer Stand and Restaurant many years ago. The building is located at 100 N. Center Point Road. The building looks very different today, it's grey in color with apartments on the second floor, which overhang the lower level and provide office space.

Hiawatha Mayor George Bowler constructed the building and opened for business as the "Frontier Drive Inn" in April 1958. Later, it was the "A & W Root Beer" drive in for 14 years, before Vern and Ann Spenier bought the place.

The Speniers added a dining room and opened the "Dairy Burger" in 1977. They lived in the apartment above the restaurant. Vern Spenier passed away in 1985, and Ann tried running the business but no one wanted to work the kind of hours it took. She worked from 6:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. five days a week. Before that, they were open until 10:00 p.m. seven days a week. Sis Seiler was the cook and cake baker there for years prior to the Dairy Burger. Twenty five years total, starting at 18 years of age. A lot of young girls around Hiawatha had the opportunity to work at the restaurant in the dining area, or being "Car Hops".

When it was an A & W, it was a family place and "Baby Mugs" were free. The Papa Burger was .50 cents, Mama Burger was .35 cents and the Baby Burger was .15 cents.

In 1988, the Dairy Burger was sold and was converted into office space.

"It was tough to leave everyone, they each seemed like family. Everyone knew everyone and CARED about each other." Ann Spenier said, "Progress is coming and it's time for us to leave".



Hiawatha Dairy Burger owner Ann Spenier, left, and cook Sis Seiler fed a restaurant full of regulars for the last time Thursday.



JULY 2012



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	2	3 Council 7pm	4 City Hall Closed	5	6	7
8 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	9 Board of Adj. 7pm	10 Parks 6:30 pm Library 7pm	11 Council Airs 7pm Channel 18	12 Council Airs 10am Channel 18	13	14
15 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	16	17 Water 6:30 pm	18 Council 7pm	19	20	21
22 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	23	24	25 Council Airs 7pm Channel 18	26 Council Airs 10am Channel 18	27	28
29 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	30 P&Z 6 pm	31	Visit our website: www.hiawatha-iowa.com			



AUGUST 2012



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Visit our website: www.hiawatha-iowa.com			1 Council 7pm	2	3	4
5 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	6	7	8 Council Airs 7pm Channel 18	9 Council Airs 10am Channel 18	10	11
12 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	13 History 1:30 pm Board of Adj. 7pm	14 Parks 6:00 pm Library 7pm	15 Council 7pm	16	17	18
19 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	20	21 Water 6:30 pm	22 Council Airs 7pm Channel 18	23 Council Airs 10am Channel 18	24	25
26 Farmers Market 11-2 pm	27 P&Z 6 pm	28	29	30	31	

Walk Sequence

Postal Customer

Hiawatha, Iowa 52233

**DELIVER BY:
SATURDAY,
07/14/2012**

Overview of Tower Terrace Study Continued

Since last summer, the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) has been studying the Tower Terrace Interchange and I-380 area to determine what type of future transportation improvements are needed. They are conducting two separate, but concurrent and complimentary studies - an Interchange Justification Report (IJR) and an Environmental Assessment. Both studies are needed to determine what the future transportation needs of the area are and what impacts any proposed improvements may have. The Iowa DOT has previously conducted studies of this area, but conditions have changed and now improvements to the area may be needed. The previous studies have given the following recommendations:

I-380 Urban Corridor Feasibility Study - this study is ongoing and is addressing the feasibility of improvements to I-380 throughout the Cedar Rapids urban area.

Tower Terrace Road Corridor Management Plan (2010) - this study suggested corridor preservation and an upgrade of Tower Terrace Road to a 5-lane arterial with a speed limit of 35 or 40 mph in the vicinity of I-380.

I-380 Tower Terrace and Boyson Road Interchange Justification Report (2006) - this study approved improvements to the Boyson Road interchange, but determined a new interchange at Tower Terrace and I-380 was not warranted at the time.

The Iowa DOT has developed four interchange concepts for review. The interchange concepts are displayed below.

Concept 1 - Standard Diamond Interchange

The benefits to this interchange include:

- Most basic interchange configuration
- Most common interchange in Iowa.

Concept 2 - Single Loop Ramp Interchange

The benefits to this interchange include:

- Same as diamond interchange
- Includes dedicated loop ramp for high-volume turns
- In this case, the loop ramp replaces left turn lane and will handle high-volumes of westbound to southbound traffic
- The left turn loop ramp reduces conflict for left turns providing congestion relief and crash reduction

Concept 3 - Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)

The benefits to this interchange include:

- Accommodates higher left-turning movements both onto and off of I-380 thereby improving the efficiency of the interchange
- Reduces the total conflict points inherent to a traditional diamond interchange and increases safety
- Shortens the overall traffic signal cycle length reducing delays and increasing safety and capacity
- Reduces the construction cost and construction time by reducing the width of the bridge needed to accommodate left turns

Concept 4 - Single Point Urban Interchange (SPUI)

A SPUI has a single traffic signal at the center of the interchange to control turning movements. A SPUI can handle large volumes of traffic.

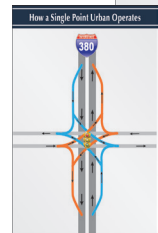
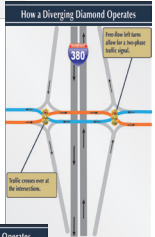
Benefits to this interchange include:

- Less right of way needed; ideal for urban areas
- More vehicles can make turns and clear the intersections during one cycle
- Allows long, gradual turns for larger vehicles

Factors in Developing Preferred Alternative

Each of the four concepts will be evaluated based on the following factors:

- *Ability to alleviate congestion interchanges
- *Ability to handle traffic at the proposed Tower Terrace interchange
- *Ability to handle future traffic at nearby intersections
- *Cost
- *Right of way impacts
- *Constructability
- *Impacts to the natural and built environment
- *Ability to support planned economic development



The City will continue to support the DOT's efforts and maintain our position on the need for the Tower Terrace Interchange. The Tower Terrace Interchange is instrumental to our City's future in economic development.

This information courtesy of the Iowa Department of Transportation.