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Meeting Minutes Budget Committee

*Jalen Anderson (1st AL) Chairman,
Sean E. Smith (6th), Megan L. Marshall (3rd AL),
Venessa Huskey (2nd)*

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

1:30 PM

K.C. Legislative Assembly Area
Kansas City, Missouri

Leg Anderson Calls Budget Committee to order at 1:32 P.M.

Legislators Anderson Smtih, Franklin, Marshall present

Absent Abarca, Huskey, Peyton, McGee, Lauer

Legislators discuss resolutions put forward

Also worry funding of the health department

Smith 21764 and asks Clifford about municipal infrastructure projects and county infrastructure projects

Other jurisdictions received CARES funds including Blue Springs Independence, KCMO, and ? Grandview ?

Marshall asks Smith about Unincorporated areas? Smith says they are included in municipalities.

Marshal asks about affordable housing piece. Sean says offer to orgs who can leverage other funds.

Leg Anderson mentions the work that the team did last year was helpful

Smith talks about the expediency in which we need to appropriate then obligate these funds

Anderson discusses funding for the JACO health department and Our Healthy Jackson County

Smith - Health department is in debt 2.5 million . Can UH sue the county?

Funding Truman teardown. Schulte: within last month 1908 original building, water damage, mold, asbestos. Kitchen & Laundry don't have alternatives. \$2.5-3 million fix.

40- 50 million new facility UH

Anderson: Another way to address UH issue but we have to have honest discussion about budget of health department

Marshall's amendment: hybrid of 21764 and Sean and DaRon's

Re infrastructure: 36 mil which would include everything including UH, courts, ADA, and 1300 Washington

foreclosure prevention: 6 million

Mental health: 3 million with added suggestion including public health dept

np capital improvement 3 million

Senior/vet home repairs 1 mil

utility assistance 1 mil

art revitalization 1 mil

small business loan 400k

Community survey not in Marshall's amendment

Senior facility improvements not carried over

Childcare facility improvement not carried over

Affordable housing 4 mil

Smith discusses the differences, biggest being infrastructure. Smith is concerned with legs who want to put more into community/municipalities, being more than 50% of the remaining arpa funds.

Smith discusses legislation before us obligating funds for construction manager.

Smith advises the reduction to the community projects and municipalities is not wise

UH is 2.3, Health Department obligation is 3.5 mil, debt is 2.5

Smith and Clifford go over his numbers for infrastructure, Marshall confirms

Smith and Marshall negotiate numbers, but Smith says that the further they get from the resolution they put forward we will not have the votes.

Anderson gives chair to Franklin and discusses issues with Smith, losing votes etc.

Anderson takes chair

Anderson inquires of Clifford as to where County Exec is in this process

Top 5 priorities:

Marshall: County Infrastructure, municipal and Unincorporated JaCo

infrastructure especially unicorp, mental health/public health (health department) foreclosure relief, affordable housing

Smith: Infrastructure, (projects listed, ada access etc) municipal infrastructure, foreclosure prevention, arts (live music venues etc)

Franklin: Infrastructure, I just want to get something out there

Smith asks questions about funding and stats of the county health department. Discussion ensues.

Bridget Schaffer of JaCo Public Health Department gives testimony, second lowest funded health department in MO 21/per resident.

Anderson asks about our health department covering Independence residents, Schaffer confirms.

Discussion about the health challenges of eastern JaCo and partnerships the health department is making to address those challenges.

Marshall asks Schaffer about the deficit and the ability to provide basic services. Outreach suffers; they can't expand the clinic, mental health providers, interpreter services, health equity, cultural competency, etc.

Marshall: What areas would be impacted the most by one time funding? Community engagement to employ affordable housing strategies and mental and behavioral health and help us align our strategies to create long-term community impact to work with community partners.

Marshall emphasizes how important this information and why funding the health department is so important.

Smith: Pulled up the 2023 budget. 23 or 27 million in health fund, we've allocated that to inner city UH health, I hear we want to allocate more to the health department. doesn't understand how housing and health intersect, thinks we could get closer to the \$90, ME funded through Health fund,

Anderson's 5 priorities: Infrastructure, unincorporated infrastructure, health department/mental health/women's health/OHJC, small business, community organizations.

Smith asks Schulte about process of Sr tax application,

Adjourn 3:34 PM

Present 3 - Jalen Anderson, Sean E. Smith and Megan L. Marshall

Absent 1 - Venessa Huskey

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Discuss pending resolutions/amendments.

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Legislative engagement surrounding top five priorities.

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Discuss next steps.