

Mayor and Council

Overview

The City Council is the governing body of the City of La Vista. The Mayor and City Council are elected by the residents of the City. All local ordinances and budget appropriations are approved by this body. The City Council also conducts public hearings as required by law, providing the public an opportunity to express their opinion. The City Council requests information on various topics from the City Administrator and staff.

FY16 Highlights:

- Creation of the Mayor's Youth Council.
- Attendance and participation at events such as Santa's Sleigh Ride and the Holiday Tree Lighting as well as the annual Salute to Summer festival and Halloween Safe Night.
- Expansion of the Holiday Lights program.
- Continued partnership with the La Vista Community Foundation to recognize the Veterans of our Community.
- Selected as the 2016 Hall of Fame Community Booster by the Papillion – La Vista Schools Foundation Board of Directors.
- Provided leadership and direction regarding multiple developments and growth within the city.

FY17 & FY18 Objectives:

- Service Project for Mayor's Youth Council
- Provide direction and leadership relative to the ongoing efforts to complete redevelopment projects along the 84th Street corridor in conjunction with the Vision 84 plan
- Provide direction and leadership relative to the development of a new strategic plan

Summary

- **FTE's** NA
- **Budget** **FY17** \$231,537 **FY18** \$234,444
- **Funding Sources** General Fund

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		FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
		Actual	Budget	Adopted	Adopted
PERSONNEL SERVICES					
102	Salaries	45,474	45,360	80,000	80,000
104	FICA	3,617	3,470	6,258	6,258
Total Personnel Services		49,091	48,830	86,258	86,258
COMMODITIES					
201	Office Supplies	1,331	1,000	1,000	1,020
203	Food Supplies	-	250	250	255
Total Commodities		1,331	1,250	1,250	1,275
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES					
301	Postage	680	650	713	727
302	Tele/Cell/Pager	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,102
307	Car Allowance	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,836
308	Legal Advertising	4,943	7,500	7,500	7,650
309	Printing	3,056	2,623	3,326	3,393
310	Dues and Subscriptions	78,545	43,217	45,217	46,121
311	Travel	8,624	9,505	9,505	9,695
313	Training	3,735	12,963	12,963	13,223
314	Other Contractual Services	15,311	26,000	26,000	26,520
320	Professional Services-Auditing	-	-	-	-
321	Professional Services-Legal	11,058	26,000	26,000	26,520
Total Contractual Services		128,832	131,338	134,104	136,787
OTHER CHARGES					
505	Other	4,888	9,925	9,925	10,124
Total Other Charges		4,888	9,925	9,925	10,124
Total Mayor and Council		184,142	191,343	231,537	234,444

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The Mayor and City Council Budget consist of operating expenses related to the Mayor and the City Council of the City of La Vista.

Budget Line Item

- 102 Part Time Salaries**
Salaries for the Mayor and City Council are included in this line item. After completing a market analysis of other local jurisdictions it was determined that an adjustment in salary for the Mayor and City Council was needed. The Mayor's salary was increased to \$16,000 and City Council salaries were increased to \$8,000.
- 104 FICA**
This is a mandatory withholding match that is a fixed percentage of salaries.
- 201 Office Supplies**
Funding at the same level as last year.
- 203 Food Supplies**
Funding at the same level as last year for food supplies.
- 301 Postage**
Funding at the same level as last year for postage.
- 302 Telephone**
This line item funds a phone allowance for the Mayor.
- 307 Car Allowance**
This line item funds a car allowance for the Mayor.
- 308 Legal Ads**
This line item funds notices for City Council meetings and the publication of minutes and ordinances are funded in this line item.
- 309 Printing**
This line item funds a portion of the printing of the City Wise newsletter. An increase from the previous year due to the increase cost of printing.
- 310 Dues/Subscriptions**
Funding for the City's membership in the National League of Cities, the League of Nebraska Municipalities and the Sarpy County Chamber is included in this line item, as well as one ICSC membership. An increase of \$2,000 is included for the League of Nebraska Municipalities annual dues increase.

311 Travel Expenses

This line item funds all authorized trips and the expenses related to meals, lodging, transportation and miscellaneous incidental costs. Includes sending two elected officials to the National League of Cities Congress in Pittsburg, PA., the Mayor to NLC Leadership Training in Pittsburg PA., two elected officials to the League of Nebraska Municipalities Annual Conference and for all elected officials to attend further in-house training and various dinners such as MAPA, SCEDC, etc. Also included is funding for team building activities associated with the annual Strategic Planning session.

313 Training

This line item includes all training courses and seminar costs associated with two elected officials attending the National League of Cities Congress Pittsburg PA, the Mayor attending NLC Leadership Training in Pittsburg PA and the two elected officials attending the League of Nebraska Municipalities Mid-Winter Conference, two elected officials to attend the League of Nebraska Municipalities Annual Conference, the annual Strategic Planning session, and in-house training for all elected officials.

314 Other Contractual Services

This line item includes funding for telephone maintenance as well as lobbyist services, consulting needs associated with legislative initiatives, and the City Administrator's Performance Evaluation. Also included is \$2,500.00 for the MAPA Heartland 2050 implementation.

321 Professional Services - Legal

No change from the previous year.

505 Other Charges

This line item funds election expenses and other miscellaneous expenses for receptions, meetings, special publication ads, strategic planning initiatives, and senior events. Funding was increased for the Mayor's Youth Council for group facilitation and service projects.