

**WEST RICHLAND CITY COUNCIL  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2008  
7:00 P.M.**

1. **Call To Order** – Mayor Jackson called the workshop to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call** – Mayor Dale Jackson and Mayor Pro Tem Buel were present. Council Members Gail Brown, Tony Benegas, Ken Dobbin, Merle Johnson and Julie Jones were also present. Staff members present were Community Development Director Bob Leedy, Finance Director Howard Roberts, Public Works Director Roscoe Slade, City Administrator Dave Weiser and City Clerk Julie Richardson.

Absent: Councilmember Mark Hanneman.

3. **Public Works Department Budget Presentation** – Public Works Director Slade overviewed goals and operational changes and needs for 2009 and answered questions.

He distributed an updated FY 2009 proposed budget expenditure summary for the 101-Street Fund and pointed out that it was cut by \$18,300.

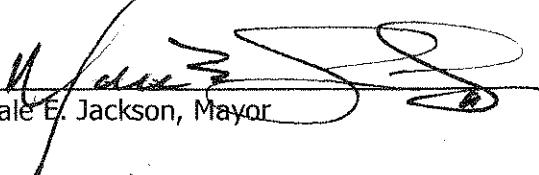
Council and staff discussed the following:

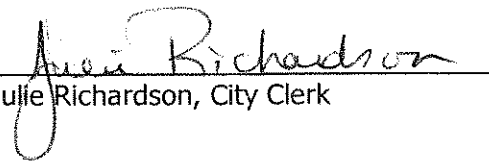
- Deficit in the street fund
- Overlay and chip seal program for 2009
- How to bring more money into the city to maintain level of services
- 1% cap on property taxes
- Possible revenue sources: Levy Lid Lift, sales tax revenue
- Cost of living increase

Finance Director Roberts said a correction will be made to the proposed budget to reflect the proceeds from the Belmont property sale are in the beginning balance of the 401 fund. He also announced the following:

- November 3 Council Meeting – Mayor's proposed preliminary budget, revenue presentation and Ad Valorem tax ordinance
- Budget at or before the first meeting in December

5. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

  
Dale E. Jackson, Mayor

  
Julie Richardson, City Clerk