## FY 2016 Rules of Engagement for Add/Delete Process

- 1) Eliminate the add/delete spreadsheet that is produced by OMB.
- A <u>City Council Budget Proposal</u> form will be required in order to add or delete anything from the City Manager's Proposed Budget. The form will require the following prior to Council consideration:
  - Additional information related to how the change advances the Council's goals/priorities.
  - ii) Additional information related to how this change impacts the performance of that program, service or goal.
  - iii) A majority (4 of 7) of Council's support for the proposal.
- The completed <u>City Council Budget Proposal</u> form must be returned to the Office of Management & Budget (OMB), with each of the steps from #2 above completed, at least 14 days prior to the adoption of the budget [for FY 2016, April 23].
- 4) A combined list of all <u>City Council Budget Proposals</u> that meet the criteria in #2, any technical adjustments from OMB, and any City Manager recommended changes, will be provided and discussed at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Meeting in April [for FY 2016, April 28].
- 5) Council will work with OMB to refine/develop funding figures based on the proposals submitted, to be completed 7 days prior to budget adoption [for FY 2016, April 30].
- 6) Completed Council Budget Proposals, with funding, will be circulated to Council and the public the Friday prior to budget adoption [for FY 2016, May 1].
- City Council will be required to keep the budget in balance once all decisions are made.
  Although a specific funding offset is not required for a proposal to be considered (if that

proposal adds funds to the budget), Council will be required to either increase tax/fee rates or make cuts to other programs in order to maintain a balanced budget.

- Final decisions will be made 72 hours prior to budget adoption and discussed at a Special City Council work session [for FY 2016, May 4].
- Final decisions will be made available to the public 48 hours prior to budget adoption [for FY 2016, May 5]
- 10) Budget Adoption will occur on May 7 with all <u>City Council Budget Proposals</u>, those approved and those not approved, made public upon adoption of the budget.

Add-Delete Calendar for FY 2016	
City Council Budget Proposal forms due to OMB	April 23
Preliminary Add-Delete List Publicly Discussed	April 28 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Legislative Meeting in April)
OMB Validates City Council Budget Proposal Figures	April 23-April 30
Final City Council Budget Proposals Publicly Circulated	May 1
Final Add-Delete List Publicly Discussed	May 4 (Special Meeting)
Final City Council Budget Decisions Published	May 5
Budget Adoption	May 7 (Special Meeting)