

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING- FY 2013/14 BUDGET PRIORITIES
STAFF PRESENTER: JEAN GILL, BUDGET AND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS MANAGER
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

AGENDA ACTION: NO ACTION REQUESTED

ISSUE(S)

A public hearing to allow citizens the opportunity to provide input on the development of 2013/14 budget priorities.

BACKGROUND

The City Charter, Section 28(a), provides that the City Council hold a public hearing each year for the purpose of soliciting oral and written comments on budget priorities for the next fiscal year. This hearing has been noticed and scheduled in order to receive public input and to comply with the requirements of the Charter. The budget year to be addressed at this hearing is the 2013/14 fiscal year.

ANALYSIS

1. A public hearing notice to solicit public input on budget priorities for next fiscal year (FY 2013/14) was published in the Press Democrat on January 22, 2013 and again on February 5, 2013.
2. In addition to the public notice, advertisements were placed in the Empire Section of the Press Democrat on the same dates as the public hearing notice notifying the public of this hearing.
3. Public input is important to City staff as we begin preparing the FY 2013/14 budget. In addition to this public hearing there are several other ways the public can get involved with the budget process. Comments and suggestions can be entered on the City's website at srcity.org. There is a comment form located in the Finance Department site, which can be accessed by going to the Finance Department homepage, then choosing the Budget and Financial Planning link, then choosing the Public Involvement link. The comment form is on the bottom of the Public Involvement page.

4. Comments and suggestions can also be directed to the City Clerk and the Budget Team at the following addresses:

Attn: City Clerk
City Hall
100 Santa Rosa Ave.
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Attn: Budget Team
Finance Department
90 Santa Rosa Ave.
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

RECOMMENDATION

The City Council should consider written and oral comments presented at the public hearing for future budget deliberations. No action is necessary.

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Attachments: None