City of Newark Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 28, 2025 at 6:00 pm

1. Call to order and announce quorum is present.

Mayor Cardwell called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm and announced a quorum was present. Those present were Mayor Crystal Cardwell, Mayor Pro Tem Chris Raines, Councilmember Melanie Payne, Councilmember Richard Sidebottom, Councilmember Jen Hill, Councilmember Nathanial Butler, City Secretary Jenni Moore, Code Enforcement Officer Devon Kennedy, City Admin staff Brittany Mayhue and City Admin staff Michelle Peterson.

2. 2024-2025 Budget Workshop.

City Secretary Moore presented the need for the change to the tax rate and supporting information to the council.

3. Roll call vote on the proposed 2025 tax rate for the City's maintenance and operations budget and debt service budget.

Mayor Pro Tem Raines made a motion to accept the tax rate for 2025-2026. The Maintenance and Operation rate of \$0.247026 and the interest and sinking debt service rate of \$0.352974, for a total proposed rate of \$0.600000 on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed value of all taxable property. Councilmember Hill second the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Place 1 Nathanial Butler - For

Councilmember Place 2 Jennifer Hill - For

Councilmember Place 3 Richard Sidebottom - For

Councilmember Place 4 Melanie Payne – For

Mayor Pro Tem - For

All approved the motion passed.

4. Adjourn.

Mayor Cardwell adjourned the meeting at 6:18 pm.

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APPROVED:

Crystal Cardwell, Mayor

Jenni Moore, City Secretary

Date

