

Process, Procedures & Technology Task Force –

This recommends a Task Force be formed by City Council to accelerate needed improvements to our accounting and finance systems, processes and procedures to achieve enhanced reporting in a more timely manner. Key to this initiative is better system integration that streamlines the current operation with better coordination.

With simplified and faster financial reporting, Council can facilitate better management oversight and decision making. The intent is to attain a superior level of efficiency and effectiveness in city government that benefits from improved monitoring, control and communication.

Task Force Composition –

3 – City Council members

2 – Finance Commissioners

City Treasurer

City Attorney

Background –

The Finance Commission has spent the past three years examining virtually every aspect of our city's financial health and operations. In virtually every area we have scrutinized it is abundantly clear we need an overhaul. At the core of our operation is issues of timely and/or incomplete reporting, lack of management supervision, missing coordination between departments, 'silos' of departments operating unique reporting systems, absence of accountability by department heads.

Strategic Implication –

We are a city of roughly 196,000 residents covering 27 square miles that somehow requires over 1,000 full-time personnel to run it. General Fund is now at \$300 million with All Other Funds boosting annual expenditures to nearly half a billion dollars! Our Unfunded Pension Liability ensures we cannot sustain the current model.

While the Finance Commission has been vigilant in highlighting revenue-producing opportunities, our critical issue is bloated expense.

The opportunity afforded us is to re-imagine, restructure and reorganize city government with the goal of optimal efficiency and effectiveness that is sustainable.