



## **October Coffee with Council Makes Dollars & Sense Of City Budget Retreat**

*Casual, Open Format Allows Discussion Of Featured Topic or Any Question*

**STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-October 9, 2018**-Join Councilman Scott Ford and other available council members for Coffee with Council scheduled for Friday, October 12 from 7:30am to 9:00am.

The city charter requires the city manager to present a balanced budget to council for the coming year. As the city discussed its 2019 budget requirements, staff worked to address a significant gap in funding for current services enjoyed by residents. Out of those discussions, city staff presented the proposed 2019 Budget to council during an all-day budget retreat on October 2.

The October Coffee with Council session will focus on understanding the results of the city budget retreat and council's direction for the 2019 Budget, including items which are anticipated to be funded and those areas that are not. The 2019 Budget Ordinance is currently scheduled to go before City Council for its first reading on October 16; followed by a second reading on November 13.

Coffee with Council sessions are typically held the second Friday of each month in the Crawford Room of Centennial Hall (124 10<sup>th</sup> Street). The goal is to provide an opportunity for community members to meet with city council members in a relaxed atmosphere and discuss any issues of interest to them. Other cities and towns in Colorado have also adopted this approach in order to increase interaction between council and community members, and to promote greater transparency in city business.

No RSVP is necessary, community members are welcome to drop by to discuss any issues of interest to them. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided.

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