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So You Want to Be a Budget Committee Member!

Wonderful! Now, let's see what a budget committee member does!

The Budget Committee meets once or twice a year to hear the budget message from the budget officer. The message explains the budget for the upcoming year. The committee may ask questions, make recommendations or suggest changes to the presented budget. The budget committee approves the budget. However, if the committee cannot come to an agreement at that meeting a subsequent meeting will be held. Once approved, the budget is then submitted to the Lyons City Council for final adoption at their June meeting. You may attend the June council meeting if you desire to do so however your attendance is not required. This process is required by Oregon law. Your participation helps the City of Lyons achieve this requirement.

The committee is made up of ten members. Five members are the elected City Council members, including the Mayor. The other five members are citizens of Lyons, appointed by the City Council to three year terms.

To be eligible to serve as a Budget Committee Member you must meet these requirements:

- Live within the city limits of the City of Lyons
- Be a registered voter for the City of Lyons (as registered with the elections office)
- Not be an employee of the City

The committee meeting is normally held in May, on a Tuesday evening, at 6:30pm, at Lyons City Hall.

There is opportunity to learn more about the budget process through online information, handouts, or the annual budget workshop held by the Oregon Department of Revenue. Some resources are included in this packet to assist your learning.

We appreciate your interest and hope that you will join us!