

Observations on FY 2021 Proposed Budget and Updated Funding Strategy for the Meadows Project



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Proposed 2021 Budget — Incorporating COVID 19 Adjustments



KEY OBSERVATIONS

- The Town has developed a balanced budget that does not rely on Unassigned Fund Balances.
- Includes a one-time sale of property of \$600,000.
- Includes \$500,000 of cash funding of capital projects.
- Includes approximately \$1,500,000 in reduced revenue assumptions from a combination of Sales,
 Lodging and Meals taxes.
- Does not include/anticipate any funds from Federal and State stimulus programs.
- FY 2021 Budget includes the payment of debt service for both General Fund projects and the Meadows Project (approximately \$250,000).

Abingdon Debt Profile



KEY OBSERVATIONS

- Total Principal (excluding the Meadows Project) is approximately \$2.4 million and is all paid off within 10 Years (by FY 2028).
- Annual Debt Service in FY 2021 through 2024 is relatively flat at slightly over \$410,000 per year.
- Annual Debt Service in FY 2025/2026 and beyond decreases by roughly \$200,000 per year.
- The Town's debt level, absent the Meadows project, is considered very limited and rapidly retired.
- While interest rates on the Town's existing debt are under 3% (fixed rates), there still may be an
 opportunity to lower the interest rate(s) on some or all the outstanding debt.

The Meadows Project – An Update



KEY OBSERVATIONS

- The Development has continued to progress as anticipated per the development team.
- At completion, FY 2022, anticipated revenues are estimated to range from \$1.1 million to \$1.25 million annually.
- Total annual, maximum debt service (estimated) is approximately \$775,000. This contemplates the total borrowing increases by \$2.0 million.
- Existing debt service increase of roughly \$250,000 in FY 2021 is already incorporated in the amended, proposed FY 2021 Budget.
- Debt service for the Meadows Project is expected to increase another \$250,000 to \$500,000 in either FY 2022 or FY 2023. Debt service is expected to peak at \$775,000 in FY 2024.

The Meadows Project – An Update (Next Steps)



<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
Mid-May 2020	 Construction Bid Documents Ready.
On or About June 1, 2020	Construction Bid Advertised.
On or About July 15, 2020	 Construction Bids Received & Award.
On or About August 2020	 Construction Begins (Six Months to Completion).
Late Winter/Early Spring	 Sports Complex Completed.

■ Based on this schedule, Davenport Recommends funding be obtained by July 15, 2020.

The Meadows Project – An Update (Next Steps) Cont.



<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
April 20, 2020	 Davenport Presents Recommendation and Timetable.
Balance of April/May 2020	 Develop Key Documents, including Credit Rating Update/Meetings.
	 Consider a combined new money and refunding issue to take maximum advantage of economies of scale.
June 2020	 Complete necessary Documents and Meetings, including Public Hearing for increase related to Sports Complex.
Late June/ Early July	Sale Date for Bonds.
On or About July 15, 2020	 Close on the Financing.

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