

City Councilor Gerly Adrien
September 2020

Assessors

- Why is the budget for the Assessors' Office increasing by 47% in what is, as far as I can tell from looking at the budgets for previous years, not a valuation year. Wasn't that done in FY2018?

Technology

- How are we going to improve technology this year for the city?

Planning

- What are the programs being offered and funding to assist residents with home improvements, landlords, home ownership assistance and tenants related issues?

Executive Office

- No funding requested for Grant Writer. Some of the notes on other things say they are partially funded by grants. How is Everett going to get the grants if there's no Grant Writer?
- Why is the position of Affordable Housing Coordinator going away? Who is going to assist with all the housing needs? The 600 is a good example of why we need someone trying to get **AFFORDABLE** housing in Everett.
- It is my understanding that another raise for the Mayor for FY2021 was voted in FY2019 and the notes in FY2021 say it's according to the City Charter. I couldn't find it there. Could someone please tell me the section and/or page number?
- What is the budget for the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion?
- Where is the budget to help with racism as a public health crisis?
- Why is there a car allowance for the Mayor when there aren't much public events? Is he attending to City Hall every day for the car allowance?
- Is there a way that the Constituent services office can provide more financial support to constituents in need for tickets, food, homelessness and job assistance?

Council on Aging

- \$47,500 for the Council on Aging, \$570,866 for Veterans. Why can't the City fund both effectively? After all, some of the veterans are Seniors.
- What are the programs and plans for this year for the Seniors?
- How can Everett serve its seniors if it doesn't do outreach?

DPW

- I don't understand what is going on in the DPW. Now that Mr. St. Louis has transferred to the Engineering Division and gotten a raise, is there a new Director who makes almost \$10,000 a year less?

Human Resources

- There are 457 employees in city hall currently per the list given last night. How many were there in FY 2019-2020? How much were reduced due to COVID-19 vs other reasons?
- Are we going to provide technical training for employees this year especially with the growth of using computers?
- Is there a budget for training? What type of training do the employees go through?
- Is there a way we can get a comparison of whose salary was cut/ demoted during this fiscal year?

CFO

- Why do we only give the amount we give to the schools? For a gateway city, we are funding less than other cities per student.

Police

- Have you reviewed Councilor Gerly Adrien's recommendations and thought about funding more of an office to help with mental health related calls, homelessness calls and others that are non-criminal?
- Could you explain the reasons for the officers to receive different stipends for different reasons? For example, if they have a gun they get an extra stipend?

Fire

- Is there hazmat training? Is there hose training being done? If so, how often?
- What is the process of purchasing protective gear to the employees? Currently, how old are the protective gear?
- Is there a plan to hire more fire fighters? Do we have enough currently?

City Clerk / City Council

- Please name all the funding sources the City Clerk is receiving in terms of his paychecks, stipends.