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## **SB-2 Study Committee Meeting Minutes For: September 24, 2025**

Attendees:

Colin Beasley Ashley Seybold  
Debbie Stanley Lynn Lewis  
Laura Davis

The meeting started at 10:05 AM

The committee met with Lynn Lewis, Finance Director. We discussed the SB2 form of government as it relates to the finance function. We discussed the timeline for putting together the budget, including the default budget, all required about a month earlier than the current form of government and needing to be presented at the budget Public Hearing and deliberative session. Lynn represented that she doesn't believe adopting the SB2 form of government would change her job materially and affirmed that the recent automation may help in managing the default budget scenario.

The committee then approved the meeting minutes for September 17th.

Regarding the action items, Colin reviewed the availability of the Budget Committee chair (Charlie Kelsey) for a meeting and the Committee affirmed their calendars could be aligned with that availability; Colin will follow up with Charlie to schedule the meeting. Colin also reviewed his discussion with Bebe regarding the timing for and approach to the presentation to the Select Board. Bebe suggested the committee's presentation be posted in advance of the presentation (likely the second meeting of October), and the committee can then discuss its findings with the Select Board/ community, all of whom can be more informed and prepared for questions, given the document's availability prior to the meeting.

The committee then reviewed a draft of the presentation.

The meeting ended at 11:15 AM.

Action Items:

Action Items from July 16 Meeting:

Colin to monitor the Budget Committee calendar and schedule an interview with the elected Budget Committee Chair. OPEN with change: Colin to contact the Budget Committee chair and the Finance Director to attend a committee meeting. CLOSED

Action Items from September 17th Meeting:

Colin to reach out to Bebe to discuss the approach for the Select Board readout. CLOSED