South Tahoe provides answers to budget questions

On Sept. 29, *Lake Tahoe News* ran a story about the South Lake Tahoe budget for fiscal year 2010-11, which started Oct. 1. In that story a list of questions was posed to city staff. They went unanswered.



However, the city's Finance Department provided answers to the questions on Oct. 8. Click on answers to read what the city has to say.

LTN will analyze the answers in the coming weeks as well as the more complete budget documents that were provided by the city. Those documents were only secured after much back-andforth about what a public document is and when the public ought to be able to view said document.

LTN is striving to provide transparency about where local tax dollars go, the budget process, the reliance the city has on grants, as well as bring awareness to the difficulty there is in getting straight, timely answers from some city departments.

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