



ALBANY CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Monday, October 10, 2022

Work Session

Council Chambers, City Hall

Approved: November 9, 2022

Call to Order

Mayor Alex Johnson II called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilors present: Mayor Alex Johnson II and Councilors Dick Olsen, Matilda Novak, Stacey Bartholomew, Ray Kopczynski, and Marilyn Smith

Councilors absent: Bessie Johnson (excused).

Business from the Public

Tom Cordier spoke about the Portable Toilets ordinance, expressing concern that the language of the proposed ordinance is unclear.

Review of Financial Policies

4:07 p.m.

Finance Director Jeanna Yeager gave an overview of the three policies under review and noted there were very few changes to any of them. Garrett Cudahey from Government Portfolio Advisors spoke about the city's investment policy, Darrin Godfrey and Mike Godfrey from HUB International shared a draft report* about the city's risk management policy, and Yeager spoke about the city's financial policy.

Responding to questions from Councilor Matilda Novak, Yeager detailed how employee leave time and post-retirement benefits are budgeted. Yeager and City Manager Peter Troedsson answered questions about programs where the city partners with other agencies and shares operational costs, programs that have been cut, legislative advocacy, and the city's home rule charter.

Yeager said the item will return for council approval at the October 12, 2022, regular meeting.

AMC Amendments to Address Portable Toilets

4:42 p.m.

Public Works Director Chris Bailey reviewed the history of the item. Novak said she would like to remove the screening requirements. Johnson II agreed. Councilor Stacey Bartholomew said she had seen some screens that have worked well. The item will return for council approval at a future meeting.

Update on Community Rating System and Floodplain Management Activities

4:57 p.m.

Planner II Allison Crow presented a slideshow*, updating the council on the community rating system and floodplain management activities.

Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan

5:01 p.m.

Emergency Manager/Safety Officer Chuck Perino handed out an executive summary* of the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, detailed the plan, and said the plan is required. Perino responded to a question from Johnson II, noting that the role of city councilors in an emergency is helping to get information out to residents, and information back to the emergency operations center.

Responding to a request from Novak, Perino said he would be willing to come back and share more about the emergency systems in place.

Business from the Council

5:13 p.m.

Responding to a request from Novak, Troedsson said staff will check in with Pacific Power to evaluate the vehicle charging station at the JCPenny property.

Responding to a question from Councilor Dick Olsen about correcting the time at the train station clock tower, Bailey said the clock tower is not a Public Works issue, but rather a matter for Parks/Facilities Maintenance. Bailey said she will notify them of the issue.

City Manager Report

5:19 p.m.

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Gabe Shepherd
Deputy City Clerk

Peter Troedsson
City Manager

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