

CITY COUNCIL

STUDY SESSION

TUESDAY, February 3, 2015

ATTENDEES: Council members Sundstrom, Rose, Howard, Leggett, Montgomery and Boyle Barrett. Also in attendance were Mayor Johnson, City Administrator Schmidt and City Planner Thompson.

Mayor Pro Tem Boyle Barrett called the Study Session to order at 7:06 PM.

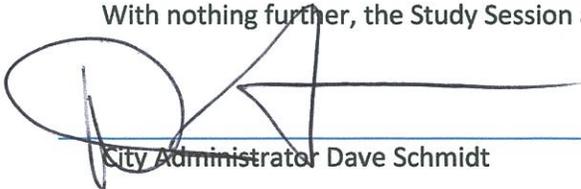
Mayor Pro Tem Boyle Barrett opened the meeting with City Planner Thompson giving a power point presentation on Comp Plan updates. Discussion followed the presentation with City Planner Thompson answering questions of the Council. City Planner Thompson concluded her presentation stating that the Planning Commission is working on all eight elements of the Comp Plan and will make all elements available to all Council members when finished, and before submitting it to the State by June 30, 2015.

City Administrator Schmidt discussed the allocations of the reserve funds, along with providing the Council with documentation explaining the allocations in detail. Council had a lengthy discussion and appeared to mostly agree on the distribution of the funds from the natural gas sale.

City Administrator Schmidt stated that the electric charging stations located in the north parking lot are connected and operating. Council needs to consider how much they want the charging station to charge each car; right now they are set to \$.50 per hour. Regarding the emergency with Cascade Water Alliance and the flume, we are in the process of negotiating the cost for repairs and there may be an action at next Tuesday's Council meeting. Also, the Cemetery Caretaker has resigned; he has accepted a position with the City of Sumner Cemetery. City Administrator Schmidt stated this is an opportunity to reevaluate the position and make some changes as to making this a part-time position rather than a split full-time position between Parks and the Public Works Department.

Mayor Pro Tem Boyle Barrett stated that at the Administration, Finance, and Public Safety meeting this morning they discussed the Council upgrading to communicating electronically. The committee is planning on setting up a meeting with IT & Communications Manager Loye to get her opinion on what would be best for the Council, either iPads, laptops, or tablets. This will make it easier for all Council members' records to be in one place and make it so that Council members' home computers aren't subject to search. City Council packets could also then be submitted electronically which would save time at City Hall with printing and preparing City Council packets. Council member Sundstrom stated that as long as we are moving forward with electronic communication, he would like IT & Communications Manager Loye to price out how much it would cost to have all Council meetings recorded digitally and possibly televised.

With nothing further, the Study Session adjourned at 9:02 PM.



City Administrator Dave Schmidt



Mayor Pat Johnson