



CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION DRAFT MINUTES

Monday, October 18, 2021

Held Electronically

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Mayor Akins called the Study Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

Councilors' Hyatt, DuQuenne, Graham, Jensen Moran and Seffinger were present.

1. Public Input (15 minutes, maximum)

None.

2. Look Ahead

Council discussed the Look Ahead.

3. General Fund Supported Services

a. Administration & SOU Survey Budget
City Manager Pro Tem Gary Milliman gave a Staff report.

Council discussed Legal Staff and cost.

Council discussed Grant opportunities and requested that Staff look into the requirements.

Council discussed how expenses are charged.

Council discussed contracting positions and suggested Staff bring back the breakdown of cost savings. Council also suggested bringing back a spreadsheet of funding sources for these line items.

SOU Survey Budget

Milliman gave a brief Staff report.

Council discussed the survey questions and how to distribute.

Council spoke to the importance of the students being involved.

b. Community Development

Hyatt/Graham moved to extend the Study Session to allow for Community Development Director to complete his presentation and allow for Council to ask follow up questions. Discussion: None. Voice Vote: Graham, Hyatt, Moran, Jensen and DuQuenne: YES. Seffinger: NO. Motion passed 5-1.

Community Development Director Bill Molnar presented Staff with a PowerPoint.

Items discussed:

- Housing Program
- Affordable Housing Projects.
- Long Range Planning
- Long Range Drivers
- Projects – Current and Next Biennium Long Range Planning.
- Current Planning – Process for making Land Use Decisions.
- Land Use Approvals.
- Annual Units by Type Charts.
- Land Use Approvals
 - Ashland School District.
- City Commissions
- Legislative Example
- Looking Ahead

Council discussed budget, permit activity, staffing resources and timelines.

4. Adjournment

The Study Session was adjourned at 7:46 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:

City Recorder:

Melissa Huhtala

Attest:

Mayor Akins

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