MINUTES DAYTON CITY COUNCIL WORK/SPECIAL SESSION January 18, 2022

PRESENT: Mayor Elizabeth Wytoski

ABSENT:

Councilor Rosalba Sandoval-Perez

Council President Daniel Holbrook

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Councilor Trini Marquez

Councilor Annette Frank Councilor Kitty Mackin

STAFF:

Rochelle Roaden, City Manager Patty Ringnalda, City Recorder

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wytoski called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Mayor Wytoski noted there was a quorum with Councilors Frank, Holbrook and Mackin present virtually. Mayor Wytoski noted the absence of Councilors Marquez and Sandoval-Perez.

C. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

No one was in attendance to comment.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Approval of Dayton's Building Operation Plan.

Rochelle Roaden, City Manager advised that, due to a change in Building Code rules, this process is a new requirement of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, Building Code Division and noted that the operation plan should have been named as Dayton's Building "Department" Operations Plan.

DANIEL HOLBROOK MOVED TO APPROVE THE CITY OF DAYTON'S BUILDING DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS PLAN AS WRITTEN. SECONDED BY ANNETTE FRANK. Motion carried with Frank, Holbrook, Mackin and Wytoski voting aye. Marquez and Sandoval-Perez absent.

2. Police Services Levy – Discussion.

Mayor Wytoski opened the discussion with a quick review of the failed police services levy in November 2021.

City Manager, Rochelle Roaden asked the Council for guidance regarding the proposed new levy and reviewed some options with the Council; 1) 2 year levy for the actual cost (\$2.30 per/\$1000 of assessed property value) for same amount of coverage that the City has now, or 2) 2, 4 or 6 year levy at the current rate of \$1.85 per/\$1000 of assessed value.

Councilor Holbrook supported going out for 6 years at the \$1.85.

Councilor Frank inquired if it is possible for the City to pay for the levy for six years at the current rate of \$1.85. City Manager Roaden offered some options of where the money could come from in the budget to supplement the police services levy.

Mayor Wytoski stated that if the City is going to ask for an increase it should be the same amount that was asked for in the November election. The Mayor further noted that City Staff and Council is aware there is a short coming in funding, but because the levy did not pass, it is surmised that voters are not ready for an increase at this time. The Mayor advised that the \$1.85 amount is the City's best bet not to sever the City's contract with the County Sheriff's Office. The Mayor expressed her preference of a 6 year levy at \$1.85 and suggested that the City could try again in 2 years if the 6 year levy passes. Discussion continued.

Council was in agreement to put to the voters a police services levy for a 6 year term at the rate of \$1.85 per/\$1,000 assessed property value in the May 17th election, to be reviewed after 2 years for a possible new levy.

3. City of Dayton 2021 Survey Results – Discussion.

Rochelle Roaden reviewed the 2021 survey results with the Council, noting that survey collector methods were increased due to a mailing of a post card to postal routes within the city limits of Dayton in addition to the methods used for the last survey. The Council discussed the survey in length.

4. Council Rules Review/Update – Discussion.

Rochelle Roaden advised that due to House Bill 2560, which requires governing bodies to make all public meetings accessible through technological means and provide opportunity for members of the general public to remotely submit oral and written testimony, the Council rules will need to be updated to accommodate these new requirements. Council reviewed the proposed changes to the council rules, no additional changes were noted.

E. <u>CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONCERNS</u>

Councilor Mackin advised that she responded to an email from the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) looking for city representation for our area. Councilor Mackin stated there were several interested applicants and that they all were invited to attend the first meeting, before a representative was chosen.

Mayor Wytoski shared some of the issues going on at the LOC, advising that they are extremely shorthanded.

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F. <u>INFORMATION REPORTS</u>

1. City Manager's Report.

The City was awarded 1 million dollars in County ARPA grant funds for the Utility Bridge and another \$511,000 matching grant funds for the Hwy 221 sewer lift station. Updates on the progress of both projects was reviewed with the Council.

The finical audit is now complete, once the audit has been reviewed auditors will be attending a Council meeting to give their annual report.

Rochelle Roaden advised that she attended FEMA training last week and she is now certified in emergency management.

G. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

By: Patty Ringdalda

City Recorder

APPROVED BY COUNCIL on February 7, 2022

🔭 As Written 🗆 As Amended

Elizabeth Wytoski, Mayor