

MINUTES

Fiscal Committee Meeting

Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at 5:48 PM

Carnegie Town Hall, 235 West 10th St., Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57104

1. Call To Order

Committee Members Present: Pat Starr, Christine M. Erickson, Greg Neitzert, Curt Soehl

Committee Members Absent: None

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Tuesday, July 3, 2018

A motion was made by Committee Member Erickson and seconded by Committee Member Soehl to approve the minutes.

Voice vote to approve. Motion Passed.

3. Reports and Updates

A. City-wide Update on Grant Applications and Awards by Erica Beck, Chief of Staff

Presentation: Approximately 20 minutes followed by discussion

Beck introduced the topic and purpose for bringing it before the committee. Tim Konda, Business and Project Manager, explained the difference between a grant and a contribution; the grant process; how grant opportunities are identified; how cost benefit analyses are used to administer the grants; and an overview of 2017 grants by department. Amy Richardson, Health Department, described the Community Health Center grant, special population grants, how new opportunities are evaluated, and reporting requirements. Shannon Ausen, Civil Engineer, described the Metropolitan Planning Organization and how it is used for regional transportation planning, annual allocations, and the use of grant funds. Alan Roettger, Affordable Housing Specialist, described annual grants for housing and homeless programs, considerations when evaluating new opportunities, and prior grants received. Loren McManus, Police Department, described the grants used for staffing, equipment, enforcement, education/awareness, and accident reduction; how grants opportunities are found; and compliance. Sam Trebilcock, Transportation Planner, described annual transit grants, competitive grants, and other possible grant funding.

Discussion followed about: grant allocation by department; matching grants; long-term outlook for grants; oversight; compliance; how grants are tracked citywide; possible improvements to how the City manages the grant program; and the grant application process.

4. Open Discussion

There was none.

5. Public Comment

Scott Ehrisman spoke about the importance of grants and recommended that the City have a grant writing team. He recommended that grants be pursued for: cleaning up older neighborhoods and open government.

6. Adjournment

Committee Chair Pat Starr adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Thomas M. Greco, City Clerk