

MINUTES

Informational Meeting

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 4:00 PM

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

1. Call To Order

Council Members Present: Janet Brekke, Christine M. Erickson, Rick Kiley, Greg Neitzert, Marshall Selberg, Curt Soehl, Pat Starr, Theresa Stehly

Council Members Absent: None

Council Chair Christine M. Erickson called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

2. City Council Open Discussion

Council Member Theresa Stehly spoke about her concerns regarding an upcoming city-sponsored Housing Summit. She, along with Council Member Pat Starr, are sponsoring a resolution, which will be presented at the May 7th City Council Meeting, to have the event be free of charge and video taped.

3. Presentations

A. Municipal Election 2020 Update by Tom Greco, City Clerk

Presentation: Approximately 15 minutes followed by discussion

City Clerk Tom Greco stated that the next Regular Election will be held on Tuesday April 14, 2020, with a Runoff Election, if needed, held on May 5, 2020. Four office terms will expire in 2020, those being one At-Large seat as well as the Southwest, Northwest, and Northeast Council District seats. Each member, currently holding those offices, are authorized by Charter to pursue a second consecutive term. The ballot may also have Charter amendments, other ballot questions, and possibly school board races if the City and School District choose to combine the election. Greco noted that the City follows the provisions of campaign finance law as set forth in SDCL 12-27, although there are some variations found within City Ordinance. He also provided information about nominating petitions for office. Currently, agreements exist between the City and Minnehaha County, as well as the School District, which covers cost-sharing arrangements and other matters. Over the course of the next year, the Clerk's Office will be preparing for the election through the budget process and coordination with other entities. The City Council will consider the election budget later this summer and, around the time of the new year, decisions will be made about combining with the school district. The Installation Ceremony will take place on May 19, 2020. Discussion followed about: the election budget, number of signatures required for nominating petitions, and resources for the public.

B. Congressional City Conference - National League of Cities by Janet Brekke, City Council

Presentation: Approximately 15 minutes followed by discussion

Council Member Janet Brekke summarized her recent participation in the Congressional City Conference - National League of Cities in Washington D.C. She spoke about and provided input on: the quality breakout sessions; the

National League of Cities University seminars, of which she attended the following: How to talk about your data driven government; Building Strong Performance Measurers; and How Cities can apply Behavioral Insights to Evaluate, Innovate and Improve. Brekke also spoke about the different projects that she heard about and said were making a difference; and she praised the quality of speakers at the conference. Discussion followed regarding the location of the conference.

4. Public Comment

Bruce Danielson supported the idea that there shouldn't be a charge for city-sponsored events; hiring in the Internal Auditor's Office; and parking ramps.

5. Executive Session

Consulting with legal counsel or reviewing communications from legal counsel
A. about proposed or pending litigation or contractual matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3)

Discussing the qualifications, competence, performance, character or fitness
B. of any public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee. The term "employee" does not include any independent contractor pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1)

A motion was made by Council Member Kiley and seconded by Council Member Neitzert to enter Executive Session at 4:50 p.m. for consulting with legal counsel or reviewing communications from legal counsel about proposed or pending litigation or contractual matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3); and discussing the qualifications, competence, performance, character or fitness of any public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee. The term "employee" does not include any independent contractor pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1).

Roll call vote to enter Executive Session. 8 Yes: Brekke, Erickson, Kiley, Neitzert, Selberg, Soehl, Starr, Stehly; 0 No: (None). Motion Passed.

A motion was made by Council Member Neitzert and seconded by Council Member Starr to exit Executive Session at 6:31 p.m.

Voice vote to exit Executive Session. Motion Passed.

6. Adjournment

Council Chair Christine M. Erickson adjourned the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Denise D. Tucker, MMC, Assistant City Clerk