



Mayor John J. Lampl II
Mayor Pro Tem Van T. Tran
Councilwoman Dorothy Dean
Councilwoman Renee S. Knight
Councilman Khoa Vuong

June 8, 2021

Work Session Minutes

The Work Session was called to order at 6:32pm.

1. Review of Meeting Agenda

1. Minutes: May 11, 2021 and May 25, 2021
The Mayor and Council deferred May 11, 2021 Regular and Work Session Minutes until June 22, 2021.
2. Presentations-James Weeks 15 Year Pin
3. Public Hearing – Budget FY 2022
4. Board Appointments- Bonnie Crawford and Cheri Crisp
5. EF Recovery Contract with GMA-Penn Credit Contract
6. One America Defined Benefit Plan
7. Municipal Separate Sewer System Annual Report(MS4)
Mark Whitley discussed the Sewer System Report which ran from May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2021. He also discussed details of what the agreement covers and water quality.
8. Morrow Center-Johnson Control Repeater 2,217.00
9. Ordinance 2021-07-Emergency Recovery
10. Ordinance 2021-08-Budget FY 2022
11. Resolution 2021-06-updated every
Chief discussed Hazard Mitigation is updated every 5 years and is mandatory to receive Federal Funding. This is mandated to receive Government support in case of a Natural or manmade Disaster for Citizens in need.
12. Executive Session-Personal matters

2. Morrow Center Financial Update

Warren Thomas presented information on sales and profit and loss. There was a -14,000 lost mostly coming from the equipment for the HVAC repair without that cost there would be a profit of \$688.00. He also discussed the current challenges with the HVAC and proposed a Repeater that will help the building cool faster during events. The Morrow Center reached a record on 22 tours in the middle of the week, which they normally have 18 for the whole week and the website has increased by 13% in one month.

3. Former Mayor Jim Millirons Celebration of Life

Discussed the Invitation to attend The Celebration of Life at the Morrow Center for former Mayor Millirons.

4. Discussion of Low Scope of Work Proposals

City Manager notified Council that we were waiting on one final quote so that we would have three, and would ask Council to make a decision.

5. Tax Exemption

Discussion of tax communication error and Mayor suggested an idea to help citizens save on future taxes. Councilwoman Knight suggests having an example of homes with what the possible dollar amount may be for the public with tax adjustment. Councilwoman Dean suggests a way to make changes available for citizens to see and understand the type of changes before.

6. Residential Sprinklers

Mayor discussed the idea of a possible way for the City to have resources available to help citizens with sprinkler systems in their home to maintain their devices.

7. Discuss Vaccine

Discussed how the demand for Covid vaccine has dropped and possible ways to manage vials City already has. Mayor suggest we continued to be a source to administer vaccine to make sure we have some available just in case there may be another spike. Councilwoman Dean wanted to verify if Moderna has been approved for children vaccinations, it was explained as of now only the Pfizer Vaccine does 12 and under.

8. Discuss Ambulance Billing Rates

Discussed the comparison of average billing rates with surrounding counties to make sure we our rates are reasonable.

Mayor Pro Tem Tran had a recommendation for the URA to have 5 members instead of 3 to get more work done.

The Work Session recessed for the Regular Meeting at 7:39pm

The Work Session resumed at 8:23p

9. Discuss SPLOST Manager

Discussion on selecting a Partner to help manage SPLOST project to make sure projects are getting completed. Discussed having a better conversation on the need for the SPLOST Manager partnership for the long term commitment, but will allow a partnership for current projects with current representative, so there will be someone to manage progress. Councilwoman Knight requested a follow up on the project list for the District. Mayor Pro Tem Tran asked if any of the construction of certain projects would be under Public Works project list. Mayor explained some are under Public Works and some are not.

10. Welcome Sign Update

Discussed issue with the electricity causing technical difficulties with the Welcome sign. Discussed a proposal that was approved by the Council to take care of this electrical issue but it was never resolved. Mayor Pro Tem suggest having all Council meeting information sent to the Council in a timely manner to have enough time to study the information in the packet before the meeting to help be more prepared. Councilwoman Knight discussed having a timeline in which items are introduced on the Work session and Council understanding the next meetings Council will move forward and make sure all questions are asked beforehand. Councilwoman Dean discussed the process on getting a proposal approved between the Department Head, City Manager, and Council as well as understanding each individual role and the part they play in the process.


Mayor discussed the engagement of structural engineering in the Dark Space. Also there was discussion of architectural and structural features for a restaurant idea in The Morrow Center as well as possible cost to the City. There was also discussion on movement in the Welcome Center and the Night Market concept.

11. Event Calendar Review

Discussed the partnerships and the role the City plays in future events at The District and what City resources will be used. Also discussed coming to an understanding with promoters and vendors of what fee should be charged if any.

Minutes Approved this June 22, 2021.

Attest


City Clerk

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John J. Lampl II, Mayor