



City Council Special Meeting

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MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE BRIGHTON CITY COUNCIL HELD ON NOVEMBER 1, 2018

Mayor Muzzin called the Study Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Muzzin, Councilmembers: Bohn, Emaus, Gardner, Pettengill, Pipoly, and Tobbe. Staff: City Manager Nate Geinzer, City Clerk Tara Brown, Finance Director Gretchen Gomolka, Police Chief Rob Bradford, Officer Chris Parks, and Attorney Paul Burns. Also present were Gavin Johnson, Dr. Greg Gray, Jennifer Hiller, and Roger Myers from Brighton Area Schools. There were eight persons in the audience.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 6:00 p.m.

Allison Cox and Sandra Parker, both mental health-substance abuse counselors, expressed their support for a proposed vaping ordinance.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED VAPING ORDINANCE

City Manager Nate Geinzer briefly discussed that a note from a Brighton Schools parent, in light of the City of Howell's new vaping ordinance, prompted this study session. Officer Chris Parks presented several facts and figures with a power point presentation. Brighton School administration spoke at length about the difficulties they face as most vaping devices are small and discrete. Principal Johnson discussed many tactics and diversion options that he utilizes to help steer students away from vaping. He noted that he has gathered more than 100 vaping devices over the course of this year alone. Council discussed the possibility of implementing a vaping ordinance. Councilmember Bohn adds that the ordinance should apply to all students equally. Councilmember Emaus cautioned overreaching. Mr. Geinzer summarized that there is a consensus to do something, possibilities include civil infraction on school grounds, selling would constitute a much harsher penalty, and a further discussion on paraphernalia. The consensus was for the City and Police Department to work with the Schools and other jurisdictions within BAS to bring draft ordinance recommendations back to City Council in January.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 7:21 p.m.

Allison Cox sited her support and expressed her desire help during the vaping ordinance discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Tobbe, seconded by Councilmember Tobbe to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. **The motion carried unanimously.**