City Council Study Session



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MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE BRIGHTON CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MARCH 4, 2021

Call to Order

Mayor Pipoly called the Study Session to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present were Mayor Pipoly (City of Brighton, MI) and Mayor Pro Tem Gardner (City of Brighton, MI), Councilmembers: Bohn (Representing the City of Brighton), Emaus (City of Brighton, MI), Muzzin (City of Brighton, MI), Pettengill (USVI), and Tobbe (City of Brighton, MI). City Manager Nate Geinzer, City Clerk Tara Brown, Community Development Manager Mike Caruso, Finance Director Gretchen Gomolka, DPS Director Marcel Goch, Human Resources Manager Michelle Miller, Management Assistant Henry Outlaw, DPS Superintendent Daren Collins, DPS Compliance Officer Josh Bradley, Economic Development Coordinator Denise Murray and Police Chief Rob Bradford. There were seven persons in the audience.

Call to the Public

Mayor Pipoly opened the Call to the Public at 6:32 p.m. Hearing and seeing no comment, Mayor Pipoly closed the Call to the Public.

Discussion of Social Districts and Next Steps as it Relates to a possible Adoption of a Social District Policy

Assistant to the City Manager Outlaw presented City Council with a detailed presentation about social districts, best practices by communities who have adopted social districts, and next steps.

City Council discussed various communities and best practices however preferred to continue discussions after the City obtains new legal counsel.

Discussion of Complete Streets Policy as it Relates to Current and Future Grant Opportunities

Assistant to the City Manager Outlaw presented City Council with an overview of benefits to adopting a complete streets policy as it creates a unified intent to assure grant opportunities of the priorities of the City and its official commitment to a complete streets program.

City Council discussed the wording and understand the need to adopt a complete streets policy to ensure the City remains competitive for grant opportunities.

Call to the Public

Mayor Pipoly opened the Call to the Public at 7:19 p.m.

Steve Pilon thanked City Council for considering social districts. Pam McConeghy stated that she would be happy to see social districts available for events.

Mayor Pipoly closed the Call to the Public at 7:22 p.m.

Adjournment

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Motion by Councilmember Emaus, seconded by Councilmember Tobbe to adjourn the Study Session at 7:23 p.m. **The motion carried without objection by roll call vote.**

Tara Brown, City Clerk

Shawn Pipoly, Mayor