



City Council Study Session

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MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE BRIGHTON CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MARCH 21, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present were Mayor Muzzin, Councilmembers: Bohn, Gardner, Pettengill, Pipoly, and Tobbe. Councilmember Emaus was absent. Staff: City Manager Nate Geinzer, City Clerk Tara Brown, Finance Director Gretchen Gomolka, Community Development Manager Mike Caruso, DPW Director Marcel Goch, Code Enforcement Officer Genal Pratt, Superintendent Corey Brooks, Chief Rob Bradford, and Attorney Paul Burns. There was one person in the audience.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 6:30 p.m.

Susan Bakhaus asked for clarification on a regular meeting agenda.

DISCUSSION OF FUTURE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Caruso introduced the discussion topic and referred Council to three proposed updates that were distributed, abandoned and vacant buildings, collecting containers, and environment. Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly asked for clarification on container registration price. Mr. Caruso stated that the annual registration fee would be \$100.00 for collection bins. Further, any collection bin that is out currently are non-profit. Councilmember Bohn asked if any collection bins were left at the CVS parking lot, Mr. Caruso indicated that there are none in the parking lot at CVS. The only remaining collection bins are located in the parking lots of Sunoco, Stillwater, Chili's, and the Brighton Mall. Councilmember Pettengill asked for clarification on the spacing of the bins within the ordinance.

Councilmember Bohn asked about the ~~environmental~~ noise ordinance, and asked how many tickets have been written. Chief Bradford stated that approximately 12 tickets have been written in the past year. Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly noted that there will be the argument from those who ride motorcycles that loud pipes save lives. Councilmember Pettengill noted that she did not see anything within the ordinance referring to loud music, Mr. Caruso stated that number 42-72 would cover the loud music.

City Council and staff discussed the vacant and abandoned building ordinance at length with regards to utilities and insurance. Councilmember Pettengill would like track changes to be used when changing the ordinance to better understand what areas were altered.

DISCUSSION OF MDEQ DIRECTIVE

Director Goch introduced the discussion topic stating that new directives from LARA have dictated that the City must upgrade the leak detection system for underground storage tanks. Councilmember Tobbe asked about the age and makeup of the tanks. Superintendent Brooks stated that the tanks were installed in 1986 and they are made of fiberglass and are holding diesel fuel for the generators. Council

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and staff discussed tank reading devices as well as how leaks are alerted. Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly asked about the insurance for the tanks, Director Gomolka stated that the insurance is under a separate policy from the MML but will evaluate saving potentials with the State insurance carrier.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 7:11 p.m. Hearing and seeing none, the Call to Public was closed at 7:11 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Tobbe, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. **The motion carried without objection.**

Tara Brown, City Clerk

James Muzzin, Mayor