



City Council Study Session

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MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE BRIGHTON CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MAY 6, 2021

1. Call to Order

Mayor Pipoly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present were Mayor Pipoly (City of Brighton, MI) and Mayor Pro Tem Gardner (City of Brighton, MI), Councilmembers: Bohn (City of Brighton, MI), Emaus (City of Brighton, MI), Muzzin (City of Brighton, MI), Pettengill (City of Brighton, MI), and Tobbe (City of Brighton, MI).

Staff Present: City Manager Nate Geinzer, City Clerk Tara Brown, Finance Director Gretchen Gomolka, Public Services Director Marcel Goch, Community Development Manager Mike Caruso, Assistant to the City Manager Henry Outlaw, Assessor Colleen Barton, DPW Superintendent Daren Collins, Regulatory Compliance Officer Josh Bradley, and Chief Rob Bradford. There were fourteen persons in the audience.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Gardner, seconded by Councilmember Emaus to approved the agenda as presented. **The motion carried without objection by roll call vote.**

4. Call to the Public

Mayor Pipoly opened the Call to the Public at 6:02 p.m. Hearing and seeing no comment, the Call to the Public was closed.

5. Consider Entering into a Closed Session to Consult with the City's Attorney Regarding Trial or Settlement Strategy in Connection with the Following Pending Litigation, the Discussion of which in an Open Session Would Have a Detrimental Financial Effect on the Litigating or Settlement Position of the City, Pursuant to MCL 15.268(e):

- a. **Brightland Properties, LLC v City of Brighton (18-001495)**
- b. **Lodging Enterprises, Inc. v City of Brighton (20-000527)**
- c. **Stellar Hospitality Brighton v City of Brighton (20-000531)**
- d. **Frontier Property of Brighton, Inc. v City of Brighton (20-001121)**
- e. **Brighton Hotel Suites, Inc. v City of Brighton (20-001543)**
- f. **Farah Real Estate Brighton, LLC v City of Brighton (20-001632)**
- g. **STW Investments, LLC v City of Brighton (20-003190)**
- h. **Symphony of Brighton, LLC v City of Brighton (20-003886)"**

Motion by Councilmember Emaus, seconded by Councilmember Pettengill to enter into closed session to consult with the city's attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with the following pending litigation, the discussion of which in an open session would have a

detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of the city, pursuant to MCL 15.268(e) at 6:04 p.m. **The motion carried without objection by roll call vote.**

Motion by Councilmember Muzzin, seconded by Councilmember Tobbe to come out of closed session at 6:52 p.m. **The motion carried without objection by roll call vote.**

6. Discussion and Review of Engineering RFP for “Engineer of Record” and Prequalified “Project Engineers” Staff Recommendation

City Staff provided a detailed review of the extensive vetting process and results from the engineering request for proposals with recommendations for Engineer of Record and Project Engineers.

7. Call to the Public

Mayor Pipoly opened the Call to the Public at 7:21 p.m. Hearing and seeing no comment, the Call to the Public was closed.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Gardner, seconded by Councilmember Emaus to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. **The motion carried by roll call vote with Mayor Pipoly and Councilmember Emaus voting no.**

Tara Brown, City Clerk

Shawn Pipoly, Mayor