MINUTES
DIRECTORS’ MEETING
Monday, August 16, 2021

Present: Sändra Washington, Tom Beckius, Tammy Ward, Bennie Shobe, Richard Meginnis, Jane Raybould, and James Michael Bowers

Others Present: Soulinnee Phan, City Clerk; Yohance Christie, City Attorney; David Cary, Director, Planning Department; and other City Staff present.

Chair, Bowers opened the meeting at 2:01 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act

I. MINUTES
Minutes from August 9, 2021, approved and adopted

II. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

III. CITY CLERK
The Mayor’s Award of Excellence will be at the beginning of the regular scheduled City Council meeting.

Under Public Hearing Liquor Resolutions – Items 2.a. and 2.b. will be called together. Items 2.c. and 2.d. will be called together.

Under Public Hearing Ordinances 2nd Reading – Items 4.b. through 4.h. will be called together; these are all Building and Safety related.

City Clerk noted if you have an agenda that has an Item 4.k. that item is a duplicate. It has been removed from the agenda and should not appear on the online version.

Shobe referenced Item 5.h. in the proposed text change and the language at the bottom of page two, line 23 ‘if any’ and proposed striking those words as it relates to furniture. Shobe would like to discuss that as furniture should be required.

IV. MAYOR’S OFFICE
No update provided

V. BOARDS/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REPORTS

1. BOH – Bowers (08.10.21)
Bowers reported Director Lopez will be providing a briefing tomorrow for the entire City and County. Lopez could possibly be providing a briefing to Council next week and is available if anyone has any questions.

2. PBC – Meginnis, Raybould (08.10.21)
Raybould reported the PBC held their budget hearing and had no testifiers, budget was voted on and passed. During the PBC meeting Meginnis had some question related to the project that was signed off on for the County Attorney’s expansion into the new area of the Hall of Justice that is an obligation of the PBC. All the furniture, fixtures and equipment costs are charged to the specific departments. Departments may see an increase to their building rents due to security. Depending on the amount of security you have in your building departments may be paying an additional surcharge.
3. Parks and Rec – Washington (08.12.21)
Washington reported the Parks and Rec Advisory Board does not meet in August the next scheduled meeting will be in September.

4. Tele-Communications Advisory Board – Shobe (08.12.21)
Shobe reported representation from the three providers, Windstream, Spectrum, and Allo, were all in attendance at the meeting. Discussion was had regarding communication with the public on the rates and fees. Discussion was had regarding the franchise agreements and how this service and many of the services we use have a fee for the number of cable subscribers. Due to the rapid change in the number of subscribers the fees are changing dramatically. That discussion resulted in establishing a sub-committee to review the current contracts with each provider. The sub-committee will also look at the new expanding federal rules and regulations. The Tele-Communications Advisory Board meets quarterly so it will take some time before this information is brought back to the table.

Discussion followed.

Chair, Bowers adjourned the meeting 2:11 p.m.