MINUTES DIRECTORS' MEETING Monday, April 19, 2021

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

Others Present: Soulinnee Phan, City Clerk; Pat Lopez, Director, Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department; Jon Carlson, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor; David Cary, Director, Planning Department; and other City Staff present.

Chair, Meginnis opened the meeting at 2:02 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act

I. MINUTES

Minutes from April 12, 2021, approved and adopted

II. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

III. CITY CLERK

Under Consent Agenda – Item 1.e. This is a dine out application on private property, please note there was a clerical duplication of Bill Numbers, added letter "A" to item 1.e.

Under Public Hearing Liquor Resolutions – Item 4.a. is a dine out application on public property.

Under Public Hearing Resolutions – Item 5.a. the applicant has requested to withdraw the application.

Under Public Hearing Ordinances 2nd Reading – Item(s) 6.b. through 6.d. will be called together.

A brief discussion was had regarding the Pending List and the process of getting those items cleared of the Agenda by the close of the 2021 Council. Cary stated he would follow-up with the applicant to ensure it is still their intent to go through with the process to get this approved.

Discussion followed.

IV. MAYOR'S OFFICE

No report provided

V. DIRECTORS CORRESPONDENCE

LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. Public Health Update provided by Pat Lopez, Director, Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD).

Lopez reported the total number of cases in Lancaster County is 30,442 with 17 additional cases yesterday, 04.18.21. The weekly positivity rate for the current week ending 04.17.21 is 5.4%, which is a decrease from last week. In Lancaster County, we have 27,370 or 89.9% of all the positive cases are recovered. To date in April, we have 4 deaths.

As of yesterday, 248,653 doses of vaccine have been administered to Lancaster County Residents. Of these doses, 154,906 individuals received 1 dose and 93,655 received 2nd doses of either Moderna or Pfizer vaccine. In all, 105,463 or 42.9% of the 16+ age group individuals completed their vaccinations.

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In Lancaster County Hospitals as of last night, 36 individuals are hospitalized due to COVID. 18 of these individuals are Lancaster County Residents and 14 are from out of the county.

Discussion followed.

VI. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

1. Discussion of future meetings, public crowd size, and safety requirements for public participation

Meginnis stated he will begin having discussions with the County Board and other Boards and Committees, including the Health Department to determine what crowd size would be acceptable and follow in line with the current Direct Health Measures. Meginnis is expected to report back to Council members.

2. Discussion regarding distribution of proposed Amendments and Motions

A brief discussion was had, in regards to this discussion it was verbalized that Council members submitting requests for draft Amendment(s) and/or Motion(s) should be submitted to the City Law Department by end of business on Thursday(s). This will allow a one business day turn-around time to get those drafts distributed to Council members by end of business on Friday(s).

Raybould stated often times these drafts can still be in production with the City Law Department and/or other, directly related, departments; communication among council members is key in keeping all Council members in the loop on proposed Amendments and/or Motions.

Chair, Meginnis adjourned the meeting 2:30 p.m.