

CITY OF WYOMING, MICHIGAN  
Minutes of the City Council Work Session  
Monday, August 9, 2021

PRESENT: Councilmembers Bolt, DeKryger, Fitzgerald, Postema, Postler, Vanderwood and Mayor Poll

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Balfourt, Bennett, Erickson, Hofert, Holt, McCarter, Rynbrandt, S. Smith and VandenBerg

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Pro Tem Bolt called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**2. Student Recognition**

None.

**3. Public Comment on Agenda Items**

None.

**4. Board and Commission Reappointments**

VandenBerg shared recommended appointments to the Historical Commission and the Downtown Development Authority. These appointments are mayoral appointments and have the support of Mayor Poll and the staff and entities involved. If council is supportive, these appointments will be addressed through a resolution at the next regular City Council meeting.

Council supports moving this item to the next regular meeting.

**5. Gezon Park Phase One Development Project**

Rynbrandt discussed the master planning process for the Gezon Park project as well as anticipated costs, noting staff is recommending award of bid to low bidder, Katerberg Verhage, Inc. Rynbrandt also discussed the next phase of construction administration and inspection services and the agreement and costs associated. Staff is recommending approval of an agreement with Johnson Hill Land Ethics Studio (JHLES) for construction administration and inspection services for the Gezon Park project. JHLES was initially approved for landscape architecture services in support of this project.

Council supports moving this item to the next regular meeting.

**6. Electric Vehicle Charging Station Discussion Update**

Hofert noted previous discussions on this topic. At this time, staff is seeking direction from Council on whether to move this forward for council consideration.

Council held brief discussion on a pending federal transportation bill that may offer funding for items such as this. Hofert cautioned that a rebate from Consumers Energy may expire before any such funds are made available.

Council does not wish to move this item forward at this time.

### **7. Future Police, Fire and Parks Funding Discussion**

Holt noted no presentation has been prepared for tonight's meeting, but instead staff will review several information items the City Council has requested. Staff will address any questions.

Smith explained the two proposed questions that would be asked, noting the statutory and charter requirements that differentiate the processes and the reason for two separate questions.

Council discussed fund balance, the funding scenarios, the proposed resolution and ordinance, as well as timelines for council consideration of these items. There was additional discussion regarding Fire Department staffing and when additional positions may be filled.

Council supports moving the ordinance to the next regular meeting.

### **8. Any Other Matters**

None.

### **9. Acknowledgement of Visitors**

Dave Wheeler, 2947 Clyde Park, voiced concern with the delivery of unsolicited newspapers at his home. Mr. Wheeler contacted the newspaper requesting that they stop throwing papers in his yard and they have not. Staff will look into this matter.

### **10. Closed Session (City Manager's Performance Evaluation)**

At 6:39 p.m., Mayor Poll moved, seconded by Councilmember DeKryger to go into closed session to discuss the City Manager's performance evaluation.

Motion carried:        7 Yeas 0 Nays

There was a brief recess. The City Council went into closed session at 6:49 p.m. The City Council reconvened the regular session at 7:50 p.m.

### **11. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Kelli A. VandenBerg, City Clerk