

Minutes of the July 11, 2016 Hampton City Council Workshop Session

The Council met at 6:00 pm. Members present were; Mollenbeck, Freie, Hickman, Pralle, Davies and Lukensmeyer. Mayor Boehmler called the workshop to order. Also present were Police Chief Bob Schaefer, Public Works Director Doug Tarr and City Manager Ron Dunt.

Public comment: None.

City Attorney Megan Rosenberg presented a review of the nuisance enforcement procedures with rental housing and owner occupied housing. There was also discussion of options for enforcement which included pursuing deed holders of nuisance properties which have been sold on contract.

Ron explained that an ordinance vacating the alley adjacent to the Gospel Hall will be on the July 14, 2016 council agenda. The council discussed the options for closure of the alley, deeding to adjoining property owners and potential aesthetics of barricading traffic. The council consensus was to consider waiving the second and third readings of the ordinance to speed up the process.

Mayor Boehmler encouraged the council members to consider being appointed to the Franklin County Economic Development Board as a City representative. Anyone interested in the appointment should contact Mayor Boehmler. The FCDA bylaws calls for one council appointed representative of their choosing as long as the city is a primary funding contributor.

Doug Tarr updated the council on the wastewater treatment plant project well drilling results. The engineer had called for a well to be drilled that would supply 70 gallons per minute. The well that was drilled on the project site was only capable of producing 10-15 gallons per minute. The options for the city are to have the contractor drill another well, acidize the current well, pursue other onsite re-uses of effluent for non-potable uses, or run a water main extension from 140th Street to the project site in lieu of the other options. There was much discussion revolving around potential water pressure and volume of such an extension and the potential effects on properties along 140th Street. An advantage of extending the city water main is that it would also be usable infrastructure for future residential development along 140th Street. Given all the considerations, staff recommendation is to run a water main extension to the project site at a cost comparable to drilling another well without the unknowns associated with drilling another well. A competitive quote process is being utilized. Staff will present costs at the July 14, 2016 council meeting.

The Workshop concluded at 7:11 pm.