

Minutes of the May 6, 2024 Hampton City Council Workshop

The Hampton City Council Workshop was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor pro tem James Davies at 6:00 p.m. The workshop was also offered electronically through Zoom. Council members in attendance were Kevin Blanford, James Davies, Jerre Grefe, and Barry Lamos. Patrick Palmer and Mayor Steve Birdsall were absent. Also present were Police Chief Mark Morrison, City Manager Ron Dunt, and Public Works Director Doug Tarr. Mayor pro tem Davies invited those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Mayor pro tem Davies offered time for public comment. There was none.

Public Works Director Doug Tarr reported for city cleanup there were over 525 gate entrances and \$1,333 stickers sold for tires, TVs, and computer monitor drop-offs. Tarr also said grass and weed checks started and over 30 notices will be sent out. Chief Morrison reported the police department is continuing to work on nuisance properties.

Kathy Zobrist Hampton-Dumont Schools Child Nutrition Director requested permission from the council to use Band Shell Park and Progress Park for summertime lunch distribution sites. After discussion, the council consensus was to have it on the agenda at the regular session Thursday.

City Manager Dunt presented the council with a drafted mobile food vendor ordinance. Dunt noted the draft did not include anything regarding noise and that noise could be addressed in a separate ordinance. After discussion, the consensus of the council was to have the first reading of the mobile food vendor ordinance at the regular session Thursday and to discuss a noise ordinance at a future council workshop.

City Manager Dunt reported he is waiting for the engineering service agreement proposal for 4 & 6 1st St NW from Veenstra and Kimm. Public Works Director Tarr said city staff has assessed the potential leakage happening on the rear single-story roof. Staff will patch the area of concern as soon as MidAmerican removes the gas services to the building.

City Manager Dunt and Public Work Director Tarr presented the council with a job description for a Public Works Street Department Foreman. The position would be promoted from within and not an additional position. After discussion, the council consensus was to place the job description and wage differential on the agenda for Thursday's regular session.

The workshop concluded at 6:33 p.m.