

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Delaware City Council

Meeting

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

April 5

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Held _____

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The work session meeting of Council was held on April 5, 2021 and was called to order at 6:32 p.m. and was held remotely through Cisco Webex and streamed Live through Facebook due to the State of Emergency – Executive Order 2020-01D. The following members of Council were remotely present: First Ward Chris Jones, Second Ward Lisa Keller, Third Ward Cory Hoffman, Fourth Ward Drew Farrell, At-Large George Hellinger, Vice-Mayor Kent Shafer and Mayor Carolyn Kay Riggle who presided.

Staff Present Remotely: Natalia Harris, City Attorney, Ted Miller, Parks and Natural Resource Director, Kyle Kridler, Assistant City Manager, and Tom Homan, City Manager

ITEM 2: PRESENTATION: RECREATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT – Austin Hochstetler, PROS Consulting

Mr. Hochstetler discussed the two phases to the assessment which included Phase 1: Needs Assessment and Phase 2: Master Plan. Public engagement from stakeholder indicated that Delaware has many amenities and opportunities throughout the recreation system, staff is attentive to the parks and citizens, communication, branding, and partnership agreements can be improved, bike paths, walkability and trail development are a priority. Diversity, equity and inclusion must have a focus with the growing population and funding are also priorities. He reviewed other findings for the Needs Assessment which showed a need for increased program services provisions and immediate staffing needs. Citizens also want to see increased river and trail access, connectivity and utilization. Discussion was held on the funding strategy for the Master Plan and organization capacity for implementing the plan.

ITEM 3: UPDATE: PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICES – Ted Miller, Director, Parks and Natural Resource

Mr. Miller provided an update on pool opening and working with current COVID-19 restrictions. He discussed protocols may change from the Governor's office or the Health District. He also discussed working with the Delaware General Health District to open up shelter houses. Mingo Recreation Center will be opening for restricted hours.

ITEM 4: EXECUTIVE SESSION: pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (4) preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

Vice-Mayor Shafer motioned to enter into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G) (4) preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment at 7:24 p.m. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Keller and approved by a 7-0 vote. Present in the discussion was First Ward Chris Jones, Second Ward Lisa Keller, Third Ward Cory Hoffman, Fourth Ward Drew Farrell, At-Large George Hellinger, Vice-Mayor Kent Shafer and Mayor Carolyn Kay Riggle. Staff present for the discussion included Tom Homan, City Manager, Kyle Kridler, Assistant City Manager, Natalia Harris, City Attorney, and John Donahue, Fire Chief. At 7:41

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p.m. it was motioned by Councilwoman Keller to enter back into open session. This motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Shafer and approved by a 7- vote.

ITEM 5: ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Vice-Mayor Shafer motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.



Mayor Carolyn Kay Riggle



Elaine McCloskey, Council Clerk