

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Council Pre-Meeting

August 19, 2014

6:00 p.m.

A Pre-Meeting of the City Council of the City of Gillette, County of Campbell, State of Wyoming, was held on Tuesday the 19th day of August 2014, in the third floor conference room of City Hall, pursuant to due notice and call. The Presiding Officer called the meeting to order and upon roll call the following were found to be present:

Council Members present: Kevin McGrath, Forrest Rothleutner, Tim Carsrud, Louise Carter-King, Ted Jerred, Robin Kuntz, and Mayor John Opseth.

Staff present: J. Carter Napier, City Administrator; Charlie Anderson, City Attorney; Pamela L. Boger, Administrative Services Director; Kendall Glover, Utilities Director; Dustin Hamilton, Development Services Director; Tom Pitlick, Finance Director; Sawley Wilde, Public Works Director; Steven Peterson, Utilities Manager; Brent Wasson, Lieutenant; Troy Tyrrell, Solid Waste Supervisor; Joe Lunne, Public Information Officer; and Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Barbara Bonds provided documents for Mayor Opseth and City Clerk Abelseth to sign in regard to CT II.

Warm Up Items

Councilman Kuntz informed the group that the young man who gave a presentation on graffiti around Gillette has been chosen to give the presentation in front of the Congress in Washington, D.C.

Knox Box Discussion

City Administrator Napier stated that Council gave direction to staff that indicated an interest in a revision to the Ordinance. Staff is looking for further direction from Council, in terms of revisions to the Ordinance. City Attorney Anderson handed out a page of information from the International Fire Code in which it has the requirement of the lock boxes, and the City's change to that section. The difference between how the Ordinance exists now, and what the fire code would say without our local amendment, is that our local exception says that the boxes need to be installed when a property is remodeled and the International Fire Code only requires the boxes on brand new construction. Mr. Anderson stated that one option would be to prepare an Ordinance to repeal the local exception. The lock box would still be a requirement, but only apply to brand new construction. Another option would be to make local exceptions such as removing the requirement altogether. Councilman Carsrud stated that a comment was made that there are cities in Wyoming that don't have this requirement and asked if staff could inquire with other cities around Wyoming to see how they address this issue. After further discussion, staff was directed to inquire how other cities in Wyoming address this issue and add this topic to a future Work Session agenda.

Gillette Main Street Outdoor Serving Areas

City Administrator Napier began by informing the group that a number of letters were received from the Gillette Main Street Committee and business owners on Gillette Avenue pertaining to

outdoor serving areas. Inquiries have been made in regard to how restaurants could be allowed to have an outdoor serving area to serve food as well as alcohol. Ideas were presented to Council and discussion of fencing took place. Business owners interested in the outdoor serving areas spoke to Council. After the presentation and discussion, staff was directed to obtain more information on outdoor serving areas in other cities.

SW Route Days Update

Public Works Director Wilde gave an update on the recent changes to the solid waste route days. He reported that minimal complaints have been received and the public seems to be receptive to the change.

Review August 19th Agenda

The group reviewed the upcoming agenda items.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

John Opseth, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk

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