

A Pre-Meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday the 21st day of March 2017.

Present were Councilmen Barks, Carsrud, Kuntz, Lundvall, McGrath, Montgomery, and Mayor Carter-King; City Administrator Napier; Attorneys Davidson and Reyes; Directors Aguirre, Glover, Hamilton, Hloucal, Pitlick, Wilde; Managers Palazzari and Davidsmeier; and City Clerk Abelseth.

### **Warm Up Items**

Councilman Carsrud reported on the Pronghorns Basketball Team's recent win; Councilman McGrath asked staff to take a look at the potholes on Foothills Blvd and have them filled in; Councilman Barks attended a fundraising event; Administrator Napier gave a brief explanation of the summarized funding request sheet for FY 2017/18. Last year, significant changes were made regarding who would receive those funds. The entities shaded in light blue on the spreadsheet, were not awarded funding last year and removed from the list, and suggested they be funded this year through the application process. There were a number of entities removed from the list that did not apply based on the understanding that they wouldn't be eligible this year, given the circumstances the City is still facing financially. Mr. Napier is requesting Council's direction on whether or not Council wants to entertain requests of this nature, as well as the nature of those entities highlighted in yellow on the spreadsheet that are requesting more money, with the exception of Sunrise Wellness and Recovery, whereas this is a new applicant. Mayor Carter-King reiterated, for clarification, that Mr. Napier is asking if Council wants to entertain those highlighted in light blue, which Council has funded in the past, any of the increases, or the new. Mr. Napier agreed that was correct. General discussion ensued regarding Sunrise Wellness and Recovery, Senior Citizens Center, and Gillette Main Street. After the discussion, Council was in agreement to not fund those entities highlighted in light blue, to use last year's funding numbers for those entities highlighted in yellow, and no funding for Sunrise Wellness and Recovery; the Senior Citizen Center intends to re-submit their request in light of Council's decision to remove the discount from their utilities; and staff will research the dollars Council committed to the funding of Gillette Main Street.

### **Cam-Plex Funding Use Discussion**

Administrator Napier reported that the Land Board is requesting flexibility built into the use of Special Revenue funds. Mary Silvernell stated that after reviewing the special events funding, the Board thought it would be acceptable to change the policy and take pressure off of the funding entities, to take care of business, special event wise, with the funding. She went on to say that the Board understands there are concerns and will be taking notes to address the language in the policy. Attorney Frank Stevens provided additional information. Mayor Carter-King stated that she does not believe the Council disagrees with using the money; rather, the way it was brought to Council, stating that the Board did not need to inform the City or the County regarding how the Board uses the money. General discussion took place. During the discussion, Councilman Kuntz requested information regarding in-kind services provided by the City.

### **Police Department Budget Review**

Chief Hloucal provided an overview of the Police Department's budget for FY17/18.

### **Annexation Discussion Update**

Mayor Carter-King informed the group that ground rules will be established for the upcoming annexation discussion. Dr. Hughes has made himself available to speak at the meeting and Dan King will be invited to speak as well. The floor will then be opened to those who are opposed to the annexation.

### **Review March 21st Agenda**

The group reviewed the upcoming agenda items.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m. An audio recording of this meeting is available in the City Clerk's Office.

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Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk  
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Louise Carter-King, Mayor