

A Pre-Meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday the 15th day of October 2019.

Present were Councilmen Brown, Carsrud, Lundvall, McLeland, Montgomery, and Mayor Carter-King; City Administrator Davidson and City Attorney Reyes; Directors Cole, Henderson, Muzzarelli, and Wilde; Managers Lt. Deaton, Palazzari, and Toscana; City Clerk Staskiewicz, and Deputy Clerk Crawford.

Warm Up Items

Councilman Montgomery expressed thanks to City Administrator Davidson for his attendance and presentation at a recent Antelope Valley Home Owner's Association meeting.

Council of Community Services Request

Council of Community Services Executive Director Mikel Scott, and Board Member Jerry Tystad, outlined the services provided by the Council of Community Services and their funding sources, reviewed the current deteriorating condition of their buildings and property, and explained the impact of the loss of United Way funds along with the reduction of other sources of funding. The Council of Community Services revealed their need of additional funding from the City and the County. Mayor Carter-King commended the Council of Community Services for all that they do for the community, and stated that Staff would review 1% funding to see if the City could offer \$100,000 to help with their needs.

Gillette Main Street – Quarterly Update & Downtown Parking Request

Council of Community Services Director, Jessica Seders, Program Coordinator, Stephanie Crawford, and Board Member, Megan Nelms, informed Council of upcoming Gillette Main Street events, including a scarecrow contest, BooFest, Plaid Friday (replacing black Friday), a Winter Walk, and the Winter Festival and Parade. All the events are designed to encourage citizens to patronize downtown businesses. As in past years, the Gillette Main Street Committee requested to have downtown parking restrictions eliminated for the period of November 29th through New Year's Day. The Mayor and Council directed Staff to remove the downtown parking restrictions for the season, as requested. Director Seders informed Council that Gillette was nominated by Jennifer Wiese for a television show, "Revitalizing Downtowns", in which ten (10) communities would be chosen for eligibility in December, based on various criteria, and then narrowed down to five (5) eligible communities in January. The victorious community would receive a downtown makeover.

Vision 2040 Grant Request Discussion

Megan Nelms, along with fellow members of the Vision 2040 steering committee, explained the grant funding process for their venture. They informed Council that grant applications must be signed and submitted by the City. The committee's request was to keep the program community-based and under the management of the Steering Committee. The committee needs the state's grant funding, which would also provide needed facilitation by the Business Council, who would provide a subject-matter professional to help run the process. Future funding would also be requested from the City and County. Ms. Nelms provided a completed application for review by the City, and requested the Mayor's signature and submission of the grant. Administrator Davidson stated that the concern was not for the submission of the application; concern was for the future requests for funding that would follow. Mayor Carter-King stated Staff would review the application and make a recommendation.

Review October 15th Council Agenda

The group discussed the upcoming agenda items.

Executive Session

Councilman Montgomery made a motion to move into an Executive Session to discuss litigation; seconded by Councilman Brown. All voted aye. The motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m. An audio recording of this meeting is available in the City Clerk's Office.

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ATTEST:

Cindy Staskiewicz, City Clerk
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Louise Carter-King, Mayor