A Pre-Meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday the 19th day of November 2019.

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

### Warm Up Items

Councilman Neary announced that the Gillette College Girls' Soccer team won their first game at the national tournament. Councilman Carsrud expressed gratitude for the installation of the traffic signals at the intersection of Boxelder Road and Garner Lake Road. Councilman Brown commented that the City's recent auction was well attended. City Administrator Davidson announced that the City's Christmas lights will begin illumination on the evening before Thanksgiving.

### Introduction of New Parks and Beautification Board Member

Administrator Davidson introduced Cathrine Gallilee as the newest member of the Parks and Beautification Board. Mayor Carter-King thanked Ms. Gallilee for volunteering to serve on the Board.

# **Council of Community Services Funding Request**

Administrator Davidson reminded Council of the concerns, previously brought before Council, regarding the deteriorating condition of the Council of Community Service's buildings, the loss of United Way funding, and the ability to extend revenues to meet their financial needs. Staff was directed to research and review 1% sales tax revenues, which concluded with the recommendation of offering a one-time payment to the Council of Community Services in the amount of \$250,000. The Mayor and Council discussed the recommendation, and unanimously consented to a one-time payment of \$250,000. Mayor Carter-King thanked the Council of Community Services for their outstanding efforts in aiding community members and families in need.

### **Quarterly Updates**

<u>Campbell County Fire Department</u> – Fire Chief Bender gave an update on staffing and recruitment efforts, and was pleased to announce the promotions of department staff to Chief Officer positions, and also announced specific achievements of firefighters and the Fire Marshal. Mayor Carter-King offered to recognize the Department's accomplishments at a Council meeting. Chief Bender stated that the Fire Board recently met to review their 3-year strategic plan, which is currently in the second year. He informed Council of plans for a joint training with the Fire and Police Departments, focusing on active shooter training exercises and planning. Chief Bender informed that they recently took delivery of two (2) firefighting apparatus for rural fire stations.

<u>Cam-Plex</u> – Jeff Esposito, General Manager, expressed gratitude for the completion of the traffic signals at the intersection by the Cam-Plex, and gratitude for the thoughtfulness of the City employees working on the installation. Mr. Esposito gave an update of the Cam-Plex construction project, and provided renderings of the proposed final project. He informed that the project is on-time and within available funding, with a projected completion date of June 20, 2020. Mr. Esposito extended an invitation for the Mayor and Council to visit the site. Mayor Carter-King suggested the possibility of having a City Work Session at the Cam-Plex. He informed Council of upcoming sporting events, RV rallies, and other events scheduled at the Cam-Plex.

<u>Energy Capital Economic Development</u> – Executive Director, Phil Christopherson, stated that they are working diligently to become self-funded. He informed Council of staff changes, board member vacancies, and New Growth Alliance updates. Director Christopherson advised that the Carbon Valley project is ready to move forward; the property has been purchased and the construction process will begin. He described the Leadership Wyoming program and encouraged everyone to apply.

#### **Review November 19th Council Agenda**

The group discussed the upcoming agenda items.

# **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:49 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 Publish date: November 27, 2019

Louise Carter-King, Mayor