

A Pre-Meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday the 21st day of January 2020.

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

Warm Up Items

Councilman Brown thanked the Gillette College for the City/County annual invitation to attend the Pronghorn men's and women's basketball games. Mayor Carter-King congratulated them on their wins.

FY 2019-20 Budget Amendment

Administrator Davidson informed Council that the mid-year budget amendment would be on the regular meeting agenda, following the Pre-Meeting, for Council consideration. Finance Director Henderson explained the proposed adjustments to the revenue and expenditure budgets.

Electronic Wagering Device Ordinance

City Attorney Reyes reviewed information provided to Council at the December 10, 2019 Work Session, at which time Council requested a draft ordinance for the regulation of electronic wagering devices. Attorney Reyes outlined the proposed provisions of a draft ordinance, which included annual permit requirements, application criteria, fees, regulations relating to the use and location of the devices, and non-compliance penalties. Attorney Reyes reported that representatives from the industry have expressed support for the regulation of the devices, and have suggested annual pricing levels for the permits. Council discussed the responsibility of regulating taxes on winnings; City Attorney Reyes stated that tax regulation would be the responsibility of the Internal Revenue Service. Discussion ensued regarding applicant requirements, including the requirement of providing financial statements or tax returns (to ensure financial stability for payout of winnings), and applicant disclosure of felony convictions (to hinder fraudulent activities). City Attorney Reyes informed Council that the draft Ordinance would be presented for discussion at the February 4th Pre-Meeting, with Council Consideration of the first reading of the Ordinance on February 18th.

Review January 21st Council Agenda

The group discussed the upcoming agenda items.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 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

Louise Carter-King, Mayor

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