



MINUTES

City Council Work Session

4:00 PM - Tuesday, May 21, 2024

City Hall, 1225 6th Avenue

Due to impending severe weather, this meeting was held electronically in accordance with Iowa Code 21.8 and 21.4.

The City Council of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met in informal work session, Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 4:00 PM, at City Hall, 1225 6th Avenue, with the following members present:

PRESENT: Grant Harper, Steve Jensen, Nicolas AbouAssaly, Sara Mentzer, Randy Strnad, and Gage Miskimen

ABSENT: Will Brandt

Mayor AbouAssaly presided over the meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS/OATHS

Police Department Promotion: Officer Adam Paulsen to Sergeant

This item was removed from the agenda and will be rescheduled.

Proclamation - Public Works Week (May 19-25, 2024)

This item was removed from the agenda and will be added to the May 23, 2024 meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Annual Presentation from Trees Forever

This item was removed from the agenda.

Annual Presentation by Cedar Rapids Transit regarding Service in Marion

This item was removed from the agenda.

Annual Presentation by Horizons regarding On-Demand Transit Service in Marion

This item was removed from the agenda.

OTHER DEPARTMENT DISCUSSION

Discussion and Direction on Utility Rates for Fiscal Year 2025

Finance Director Lianne Cairry provided an overview of rates for Solid Waste, Sanitary Sewer, and Stormwater. Next step includes approval of fees by Resolution on the June 20 agenda.

Councilmember Brandt arrived at 4:05 p.m.

Presentation Regarding Community Sidewalk Gaps and Installation Requirements

Related to the Safe Routes to School Program

This item was removed from the agenda and will be rescheduled.

UPCOMING AGENDA REVIEW

City Council review of the May 23, 2024 agenda. Council discussed the agenda items with no action taken.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion to adjourn to closed session regarding real estate transactions as permitted under Section 21.5(1)(j) of the Code of Iowa. (Two separate matters)

Moved by Jensen, seconded by Harper, to adjourn to closed session as stated above. City Attorney Kara Bullerman stated that she has reviewed the subject matter to be discussed and found it to be an appropriate topic for closed session. A roll call vote was taken.

Approved unanimously

Mayor AbouAssaly left the meeting at 4:50 p.m. and relinquished the gavel to Mayor Pro Tem Mentzer at 4:50 p.m.

Moved by Strnad, seconded by Harper, to reconvene to regular session.

Approved unanimously

ADJOURN

Mayor Pro Tem Mentzer adjourned the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Bolender, City Clerk

The undersigned City Clerk of Marion, Iowa certifies that the minutes shown immediately above were published in the Gazette on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Rachel Bolender, City Clerk