

## **Minutes of the April 10, 2017 Hampton City Council Workshop Session**

The Council met at 6:00 pm. Members present were; Hickman, Freie, Davies, Lukensmeyer, Pralle and Mollenbeck. Mayor Boehmler called the workshop to order. Also present were Police Chief Bob Schaefer, Public Works Director Doug Tarr and City Manager Ron Dunt.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Boehmler acknowledged the written neighborhood request for parking restrictions in the 300 block of 10<sup>th</sup> Ave NE (Shear Court), as well as the installation of a “No Through Street” sign. Councilman Lukensmeyer explained to the council that the residents on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave NE are requesting that parking only be allowed on the south side of the street. Some residents have requested that the City utilize sign posts for more than one sign if possible. Council consensus was to have city draft an ordinance regarding the matter.

Councilman Mollenbeck had recommended the council look into purchasing and installing small crosswalk signs for improved crosswalk awareness. Council interest was favorable and city staff will research sign pricing and report back at a future workshop.

Newton Grotzinger, GFC Chamber of Commerce Director, reviewed the revised Design Committee Façade Grant Application to gear the grants more towards building repairs as opposed to sign installations. Council reaction was favorable.

Mayor Boehmler introduced Abby Butson as the new Aquatic Center Manager. Abby stated that the Aquatic Center opening day will be on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. The consensus of the council was to continue selling the discounted passes through Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Starting May 27<sup>th</sup> ticket prices will no longer be discounted. Abby stated that she is still taking applications for lifeguards.

Ron presented a handout regarding Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) Revenue re-allocation considerations. The city anticipates early payoff of the aquatic center debt so the council will give consideration on how to reallocate the future LOST revenues. Ron suggested considering allocating to areas which have historically had difficulty being funded such as fire department vehicles and police department vehicles. City staff also recommended leaving some funding towards the future operation and maintenance of the aquatic center. Ron also suggested that at least half of the annual revenue be utilized at the discretion of the council. This would provide flexibility for current and future councils to fund projects as they become a priority.

Under Old Business, Councilman Lukensmeyer stated that there is some public interest in readdressing the funding of crosswalks in the 2017 Street Overlay Project. Mayor Boehmler indicated the topic could be discussed at the April 13, 2017 council meeting.

After discussion, the workshop concluded at 6:41 p.m.