

City of Gilbert
Minutes of City Council Working Session
Tuesday, November 12, 2019
Council Chambers

Mayor Oberstar called the meeting to order at 5:15 P.M.

Present: Councilors Pulles, Skenzich, Leoni, Mayor Oberstar, Operations Director Sam Lautigar, Deputy Clerk Gulan, Executive Clerk Paulsen

1. Public Access Presentation
 - Mr. Mariucci from Mediacom. Request Gilbert to join public access programming.
 - Benefits, streaming, increased signal, local sports and events coverage.
 - School board members state benefit of Mediacom Public Access membership.
 - Mayor and council to review information presented.

2. Codification Presentation
 - Information unavailable to confirm which version of the City of Gilbert Charter has been voted on in 2012 as several versions have been found.
 - The St. Louis County has this record to clarify.
 - Ordinances passed since 2010 have been in place. The charter section of the book will change when the correct version is determined.

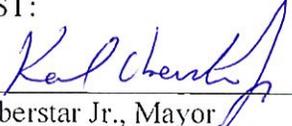
3. Eveleth/Gilbert School District Superintendent Cary
 - School board members: Sorcan, Gentilini, Addy and Superintendent Cary inquire if Gilbert citizens support the ownership of Gilbert school building.
 - Discussion of building usage and options.
 - Mayor Oberstar not in favor of tearing down the building. Suggests part city use, part developed for other uses.
 - City engineer to evaluate uses and structure, conditions of school building infrastructure. Council to discuss repurpose of school buildings in Gilbert.
 - HRA discussion.
 - Mayor requests 1 (one) year or more for review, citizen input, and utilization options for the buildings.
 - Cary states money available for demolition in new, consolidated schools' budget.
 - Options such as Gilbert Public library, assisted living, condos, apartments discussed to recoup loss of income from loss of school due to new consolidation.
 - Eveleth school board members suggest grant writing now and discussion of funding options.
 - City of Gilbert is formally interested in the property for yet-to-be determined usage.
 - Mayor discusses impact on the community.
 - Funding available for companies to make older buildings energy efficient.
 - Mayor thanks school board for attending and presentation.
 - Cary states building can be given to the City of Gilbert for \$1.00.

4. Other

- Bryan Lindsay update re: ordinance on landlord-tenant law.
- City can impose set-rate fees, to maintain utility systems.
- Individual assessment within multi-unit buildings allowed.
- Single meter dwelling-units can be billed separately.
- Can create a fee for owner of multi-unit, charged wholly to landlord, but landlord can then charge the individual unit dweller, in addition to rent. Per Attorney Lindsay.
- No ordinance needs to be changed, but fee schedule can be amended or updated to reflect this procedure on how to break out charges for their individual units, to avoid landlord-tenant dispute.
- Statute obligation discussed.
- Anthem, base charge fee and usage: City can use any reasonable method. Cannot charge based on square footage of building.
- City can create different classifications, per statute. Items flowing through individual sewer can be used to determine the classifications.
- Mayor: all should be assessed in a fair manner.
- Sparta Sewer Assessment discussion. The City of Gilbert did the process correctly. Residents can be assessed once assessment process is completed, but the right for residents to seek a deferred assessment is still valid.
- Mayor requests Public Works to confirm location of new and old Genoa lines.

Motion by Pulles, second by Leoni to adjourn meeting at 6:19 P.M. MCU

ATTEST:



Karl Oberstar Jr., Mayor



James Paulsen, Executive Administrative Clerk