

CITY COUNCIL PLANNING SESSION
Tuesday, September 20, 2022
(Immediately following Regular Council Meeting held at 5 p.m.)
Council Chambers – Denison, Iowa

Mayor Soseman called the planning session to order with the following members present: Garcia, Logan, and Miller. Absent: Curnyn and Granzen

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN	Discussion was held on the Capital Improvement Plan. Garcia and Logan both have questions and would like to speak to Hanson separately. Council will send their questions to Hanson, who will distribute to the appropriate Department Director.
DONATION/MEMORIAL POLICY	Discussion was held on the Donation or Memorial Policy. Hanson stated several City employees and Jennifer Smith reviewed. Garcia does not want to see a bidding war between potential donors for the naming rights of facilities and/or rooms. Garcia would like to review a bidding sheet. Garcia believes a pledge sheet for the Wellness Center project will be sent out to the public after the Community meeting. Council likes the plan and would like it on the next agenda for approval.
SNOW REMOVAL ORDINANCE	Eric Martens, Public Works Director, would like to specify a number for the “measurable amount” of snow in our ordinance, and use KDSN’s snow accumulation as they are an official reporter to the national weather service. Council would like to change the measurable snowfall amount to ½ inch.
ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE	Council had no comments on the Animal Control Ordinance. Colby Ellis, Code Enforcement Officer, stated one citizen called in favor of urban chickens.
WELLNESS CENTER UPDATE	A design meeting has been set for 4 p.m. before the Community Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2022. The regular meeting will be on Thursday, September 22, 2022. Garcia stated the Wellness Center was approved for a 501(3)(c) designation. The Committee has applied for multiple smaller grants. The large grants will go through the ad-hoc committee and City Manager. Hanson reported that the City received the Monogram Loves Kids grant.
ARPA FUNDS	Logan inquired about the financials and the \$50,000 committed to Washington Park. Kempfert stated the funds are earmarked to go towards any grants which require matching funds from the City. Martens stated that the bathrooms at Washington Park will cost approximately \$70,000 to remodel. Logan would like to see all bathrooms be updated at all City parks.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Pamela Soseman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk