City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes

City Council

Monday, January 7, 2019 6:00 PM	Pre-Council - Revised	Conference Room 1A/1B Columbia City Hall 701 E. Broadway

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:04 pm. Ms. Peters arrive at approximately 6:11 pm.

Present: 7 - Ruffin, Trapp, Thomas, Peters, Treece, Skala, and PItzer

This item is open to the public: Climate Action and Adaptation Plan Update

Attachments: CAAP Update Presentation

Barbara Buffaloe, Manager of the Office of Sustainability, stated that this is a 6 month update on the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) update. She reviewed the planning process noting that we are currently creating an action plan with the task force and will then implement policies. She reviewed the timeline noting that the task force is currently prioritizing CAAP actions based on feedback from the community. Around Earth Day in April, they plan to collect more public comment on the draft CAAP Action Plan and will bring that to Council in June for adoption.

Ms. Buffaloe reminded Council of the goals they set which is to reduce community emissions 35% by 2035, 80% by 2050 and 100% by 2060. Municipal emission reduction goals are to reduce 50% 2035 and 100% by 2050. She explained that they received 946 survey responses noting that 83% felt it is important for Columbia to take immediate action to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, 86% felt it is important for Columbia to prepare for climate change and 83% feel Columbia should be a leader in proactively addressing climate change. The survey was administered online and shared through web site, task force, boards and commissions, and other network sharing.

Sectors have been developed for the CAAP including: transportation, housing, building & development, energy, waste, health, and natural resources. She reviewed the goals by sector and provided an example of the goal for the natural resources sector of installing and maintaining native plants on public lands. This helps reduce mowing, stormwater runoff, and creates pollinator habitats. Next steps are to finalize actions for impact,

draft an implementation plan for priorities, draft a plan for public comment in April, present a draft plan for Council review in May for adoption in June and begin implementation in summer 2019.

Councilperson Skala recalled some pilot projects relating to zeroscaping and he asked if there has been any feedback on that idea. Ms. Buffaloe did not recall comments specific to that. There has been some feedback on native landscaping in roundabouts. Mayor Treece added that the session held in November was very well done and well attended. Councilperson Thomas asked how reliable correlations are in behavior change and carbon emisssions. Ms. Buffaloe stated actions and analysis are typically bundled into a model which will be shown in the wedge analysis. She added that the CAAP Task Force will sunset when the plan is adopted or by August 2019. Council should consider how they would like to set accountability for implementation once that task force is dissolved. It may be a consideration to combine the Environment and Energy Commission with the Mayor's Task Force as there are overlapping responsibilities in those groups. The Council briefly discussed this and there was consensus that there should be a governing body of some kind to oversee implementation.

This item is open to the public: Motion for the City Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri, to meet on Monday, January 7, 2019 in Conference Room 1A and 1B of City Hall, 701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri, for a Closed Meeting to discuss negotiations with employee groups as authorized by Section 610.021(9) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri and sealed proposals and related documents or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed or all proposals are rejected as authorized by Section 610.021(12) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

At approximately 6:21 p.m., Mayor Treece made a motion for the City Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri, to immediately go into a closed meeting in Conference Room 1A/1B of City Hall, 701 E. Broadway, Columbia, Missouri, to discuss negotiations with employee groups as authorized by Section 610.021(9) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri and sealed proposals and related documents or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed or all proposals are rejected as authorized by Section 610.021(12) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skala.

The vote was recorded as follows: VOTING YES: SKALA, THOMAS, PITZER, PETERS, TREECE, RUFFIN TRAPP. VOTING NO: NO ONE.

Yes: 7 - Ruffin, Trapp, Thomas, Peters, Treece, Skala, and PItzer

This item is closed to the public: See Notice of Closed Meeting

Attachments: Closed Meeting Notice

At approximately 6:22 p.m., the City Council went into closed session pursuant to RSMo Sections 610.021(9) and 610.021(12).

II. ADJOURNMENT

The closed meeting adjourned at approximately 6:54 p.m.