

CITY OF LATHRUP VILLAGE CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 9, 2020

MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION MEETING OF THE CITY OF LATHRUP VILLAGE HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2020 REMOTELY VIA ZOOM.

Present: Mayor Mykale Garrett and Mayor Pro Tem Kantor
Council members Ian Ferguson, Saleem Siddiqi, Donna Stallings

Also Present: City Administrator, Dr. Sheryl Mitchell, City Attorney, Scott Baker, Asst. City Administrator/Treasurer, Pamela Bratschi, Police Chief, Scott Baker, Community and Economic Development Manager, Susie Stec, Government Operations Asst., Kelda London and City Clerk, Yvette Talley

All City Council members stated they are located in Lathrup Village, Michigan, Oakland County.

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Mayor Garrett

Purpose of the meeting is to discuss City Council Agenda items.

Discussed items:

- A. Discussion - Marijuana licensing & Application Process – Scott Baker said the draft Zoning Ordinance and draft General Ordinance will be ready for discussion for the Joint meeting on November 30, 2020.
- B. Discussion – Infrastructure Committee Update – Mayor Pro Tem Kantor stated the ballot initiative passed. There will be 7.1 miles of new roadway and will meet with the City Administrator and City Engineer to discuss in detail.
- C. Discussion – Sign Ordinance Update – Susie Stec reported Planning Commissioners made several updates for example, size of signs, glow around the sign area, temporary signs and backlit signs. Scott Baker said the updated version will be presented to City Council.
- D. Discussion – House In the Woods Update – Susie Stec presented the redevelopment concept of placing more homes on the property. Dr. Mitchell stated the appraisal of the property \$217,000. Mayor Garrett and Council member Stallings said the density of the project is a concern for residents currently living there. City Council suggested listing the property for the appraisal price. Attorney Baker recommended to solicit a new RFP for realtors. Planning Commission is going through the master plan process relevant to this property. Dr. Mitchell stated preferences for the property should be reflected in the master plan.
- E. Discussion – Police Department Expansion Study – Renovation of the lower level of City Hall for the to create locker rooms, processing facility and restrooms for the Police Department. Chief Scott McKee said first, an environmental study should be done . City Council asked for more information to be presented at next study session.

- F. Discussion – Staff Re-Organization – looking at roles and responsibilities of a position for a Code Enforcement/Assistant City Manager.

Mayor and Council Comments

Mayor Garrett asked City Council to first go through the City Administrator when they have requests of staff. Water study- City Administrator has done an investigation about this and what needs to be done to upgrade water meters. Lathrup Services-DPS is in a state of high transition and they've taken on a lot of extra responsibilities as it relates to the illicit discharge reporting. Dr. Mitchell is currently working on auditing services contract and Council Member Siddiqi will assist with the evaluation process.

Mayor Pro Tem Kantor asked about the asset management plan so Dr. Mitchell will check with city engineer and have feedback at next meeting. Will check with code enforcement to see what can be done to make sure businesses are keeping sewer systems clean. Clarification from the City Attorney as it relates to local enforcement as what is used to deter animals. Gas station update by Susie Stec– plumbing permit has been pulled, HVAC & electrical will be pulled soon and gasoline tanks installation will begin first week of December.

Dr. Mitchell stated that Precise MRI has received administrative approval of their site plan.

City Council expressed their appreciation of Clerk Talley for the work done on the November 3, 2020 election.

Mayor Garrett announced Police participation of wigs for pigs – no shave November in support of children with childhood diseases.

Public Comments

None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.