

Council Work Session Minutes
Monday, June 27, 2005, 6:00 p.m.
Fourth Floor Conference Room, Daniel-Boone Building

Council Members present: Mayor Hindman, Janku, Crayton, Hutton, Ash, Nauser and Loveless.

City Manager Ray Beck and various other city staff members were also present.

Sue Buske, Buske Group (cable consultant), updated the Council on the cable franchise renewal process involving MediaCom and Charter. A copy of Ms. Buske's presentation is on file in the City Manager's Office.

Ballot Issue Discussion

Council discussed the need to build one versus two fire stations in the next ten years and how those stations would be supported financially. The City Manager reminded the Council that it costs \$800,000 annually to operate/staff one fire station. The City Manager indicated that this is a decision the Council will need to make. Staff will begin preparing a draft fact sheet for Council review. Public Safety items include sirens, (2) stations, and an annual level of funding for police.

The City Manager reviewed the proposed schedule for an additional survey and obtained Council feedback regarding the survey questions. Suggestions include – parks sales tax 5 years versus 10 years, additional 1/8% for streets – top 5 priorities and an annual level of funding, joint use/Farmer's Market. The Council discussed the revised potential ballot issue particularly when the ordinance should be introduced – July 18 or August 1.

Council set aside Monday, July 11 as a Council Work Session date and Wednesday, July 13 and Thursday, July 14 – public meetings, 4-7 p.m., location – to be determined.

Hiring of Executive Search Firm

The City Manager reviewed a possible schedule for hiring a new City Manager. Prepare resolution for July 5 Council meeting (prepare and mail to Council information on level of service and cost). Discuss at pre-Council on July 5. Other pre-Council items include ballot issue – review survey draft. Code issues will be discussed at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

