

**COUNCIL WORK SESSION**  
Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.  
City Hall - Council Meeting Room

AGENDA

1. Council Meeting Follow-up
2. Cable Channel 192 RFP
3. DEA Grant
4. Liquor Ordinance Changes & Limo Exemption
5. Agenda Review
6. Legislative Review
7. Council Around the Table

Mayor Freel called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Pollock, Lutz, Cathey, Engebretsen, Johnson, Gamroth, Vice Mayor Pacheco and Mayor Freel. Councilmember Knell was absent.

City Manager Napier discussed the RFP for operation of Cable Channel 192. He stated that there was an RFP submitted by Casper One, but they have withdrawn their RFP. They asked for an extension to allow for a resubmittal. Members of the Casper One board described that the RFP was withdrawn, because it did not meet the administrative standards that the board would like to see. The board would like to submit the RFP themselves so that it is complete. They also discussed that they have the means to fundraise the money that would be needed to provide this service. They stated that they did not have a timeframe set for the resubmittal time, but they will work with City staff to develop an appropriate timeframe. Council agreed to extend the RFP process to allow for the Casper One board's resubmittal.

Next, City Manager Napier introduced Police Chief McPheeters to discuss the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) grant data. Chief McPheeters began by discussing the Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS). He explained that this method is a nationally recognized way to reduce crime, through focusing traffic stops on areas of high incidents of criminal activity and high incidents of crashes. He then discussed how grants aid in these public safety initiatives by providing unobligated time for officers to focus on these dedicated methods. He explained that the Police Department used the DEA Marijuana Interdiction Grant to implement DDACTS to intercept drug activity as well as reduce traffic crashes. The officers were strategic in their stops, but there was no profiling and all stops were made because of traffic violations. He discussed that Natrona County is designated as a high intensity drug trafficking area. He explained that if marijuana was legalized by the State, the City probably would not continue to be eligible for this type of grant in the future but would continue to use the awarded grant. Councilmember Pollock asked about metrics for how these grants and methods result in a safer community. Chief McPheeters stated that DDACTS has been studied in other communities and is supported as a very effective crime prevention method. He stated that the department uses their crime data to utilize the method to the best of the Police Department's ability. Councilmember Gamroth discussed

utilizing a public health approach to drug enforcement. Chief McPheeters described how these types of grants help to provide lower public safety costs to the City.

Next, City Manager Napier discussed changes to the liquor ordinance to make it concurrent with State legislation stating that the City can make the ordinance stricter than State statute but not less strict. He then introduced City Attorney Henley to discuss specific liquor ordinance changes which included delivery of liquor, which he explained is different than shipping, and will involve TIPS training requirements as well as label and age requirements. He also discussed changes to the restaurant license dispensing room requirements and delivery window restrictions. He then discussed special malt beverage permits. He proposed a \$1000 per year as well as a daily fee for the bigger venues that would acquire this type of permit. He also asked Council to take out the keg registration portion of the ordinance that was removed from State statute. He also discussed an exemption for alcohol in limousines, which would be provided by the passenger and would not involve the driver. Council gave their thumbs up for all of the proposed changes.

Next, Council reviewed agendas for upcoming work sessions and Council meetings.

City Manager Napier did not have any legislative items to discuss.

Next, Council went around the table to discuss their respective board and committee meetings as well as other matters of public interest.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Fleur Tremel  
City Clerk

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Steven K. Freel  
Mayor