

**Mount Vernon City Council  
Committee of the Whole  
March 1, 2017**

Present: City of Mount Vernon: Mayor Boudreau, Councilmembers Fiedler, Hudson, Hulst, Lindquist, Molenaar, Quam, and Ragan

Staff Present: Finance Director Volesky, Project Development Manager Donovan, Development Services Director Phillips, Police Lieutenant Cammock, Library Director Huffman, Parks & Enrichment Services Director King, Senior Planner Lowell

- A. Discuss Goals 2017- Mayor Boudreau finalized the Council's 2017 goals for staff. All goals are available on the City website.
- B. Eagle Rock Challenge Course- Mr. King informed Council that a new contract will be presented at the next Council meeting with Andrews Consulting LLC dba Northwest Teambuilding due to increased insurance cost.
- C. Veterans Memorial- Mr. King discussed the location of a Veterans Memorial. He also discussed combining the Veterans Memorial with a First Responders Memorial. Various locations along the Riverwalk were discussed.
- D. Overview of Consultant Work Plans & Activities to-Date- Ms. Lowell reviewed legislative work done by staff and consultants. Ms. Lowell also reviewed the Kincaid South plan, permanent supportive housing plan, affordable housing timeline and the adult entertainment timeline.
- E. Briefing of Comp Plan Amendment/Rezone Applications- Ms. Lowell reviewed the Comprehensive Plan docketing process.
- F. Federal Lobbyist Support- Mayor Boudreau discussed funding a federal lobbyist who could help the City find different grant funding opportunities. Council decided to hold off on hiring anyone unless we have a large project.
- G. Community Comments Format & Responses- Mayor Boudreau discussed with Council the prospect of "relocating" community comments elsewhere on the agenda, as well as allowing for staff/council/mayor response, as necessary. Council consensus was to keep format as is and be allowed to state that the member of the public will be followed up with by staff/council/mayor after the meeting.
- H. Consent Agenda Use- Mayor Boudreau discussed what to put on the Consent Agenda with Council. Consensus was to put minutes, claims and payroll on consent agenda.

- I. Out of State Travel Requests- Mayor Boudreau discussed method and parameters surrounding staff requests to Council for out-of-state travel.
- J. Public Defense Review- Mr. Donovan gave an over view of the Public Defense Auditor timeline.

Committee of the Whole concluded at 8:05 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

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Morgan Morrison, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

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Doug Volesky, Finance Director

APPROVE:

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Jill Boudreau, Mayor