

**COUNCIL WORK SESSION**  
Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.  
Council Meeting Room

AGENDA

1. CNFR Ticket Sales
2. Community Promotions (Fleur Tremel)
3. Budget Calendar (Tom Pitlick)
4. CATC Route Modification Update (Aaron Kloke)
5. State Liquor Liability – Overserving (John Henley)
6. Council Goal Discussion (Carter Napier)
7. Agenda Review
8. Legislative Update
9. Council Around the Table

Mayor Powell called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Johnson, Freel, Huber, Pacheco, Walsh, Lutz, and Bates. Councilmember Hopkins was absent.

Council discussed the speaking time for citizens at Council meetings and trying to hold everyone to the same standard.

Council then discussed the animal care and control ordinance. They asked that City Attorney Henley draft an amendment that would require animals to be under direct control and supervision when on private property.

Council then discussed the proposed liquor ordinance. Councilmembers discussed concerns with many different pieces of the ordinance, and asked that staff prepare a motion for the next Council meeting to table the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the ordinance until February 3, 2019 and schedule a discussion of the ordinance for the next work session.

Next, Councilmember Walsh discussed potentially increasing ticket sales for the College National Finals Rodeo (CNFR), by hiring a contractor that will draw people to the event. Natrona County, Visit Casper, and the Economic Development Joint Powers Board would also contribute \$10K each for the contractor. Christine Olson from the Casper Events Center explained that there has been a decrease in ticket sales in recent years. She stated that this five year contract for a direct sales position will help to increase sales. The sales director will make a concerted effort to drive more ticket sales for Casper and the Events Center and will hopefully help to secure another 20 years for CNFR. This position will be managed by Visit Casper. Funding available in remaining cash balances in 1%#15 would be adequate to cover this. Council gave their thumbs up to contribute \$10K this year and vote on the item at the next Council meeting.

Next, Council discussed community promotions allocations. There was a disparity between the funds available and the Councilmembers allocations. Council discussed

allocating additional funds, and decided to leave in-kind and facilities allocations whole, and prorate the cash allocation in line with the budgeted amount. They decided to also only allow cash allocations for those organizations that did not ask for cash or in-kind amounts and that organizations that did not receive five votes for a request would not receive an allocation. They also decided that Oil City Slam would be awarded a prorated cash amount and would not be awarded their in-kind request.

Next, City Manager Napier described the calendar that has been set for budget discussions.

Next, City Manager Napier introduced the CATC Route Modifications topic. He explained that tonight is one of the last steps to finalizing the changes. If Council agrees, a formal consideration will be prepared for a regular Council meeting. He then introduced Aaron Kloke, MPO Supervisor, to discuss the changes in further detail. Mr. Kloke briefly updated Council on the process that has been used to modify the routes and discussed the proposed changes to the routes. The changes included changing route times and removing and adding stops. Staff also intends to work with WYDOT to make crossing CY Avenue safer for citizens going to Smith's. Council discussed concerns about removing stops in Paradise Valley. Mr. Kloke explained that citizens would still be able to be picked up if they call ahead of time for an additional cost. Council gave their thumbs up to move the item forward for formal consideration next Tuesday.

Next, City Attorney Henley discussed overserving and state liquor liability. He explained why the proposed liquor ordinance would not cause liquor dealers to lose any of their current state statutory protections. He reviewed case law supporting this position.

Next, City Manager Napier discussed how staff has addressed and met the previous Council's goals. Council asked that data be provided on how and when the City met the previous goals. City Manager Napier then discussed the current Council's goal setting, and Council discussed how they would like the goal setting to be structured. Council decided they would like the goal setting to be scheduled at a special work session.

Council discussed allowing community colleges to provide four year degrees. They directed staff to draft a letter of support of this for the Mayor to sign.

Next, Council discussed future work session agenda items. They agreed to set the agenda four weeks in advance in order to give staff enough time to prepare for the meeting.

Next, City Manager Napier gave a legislative update. He discussed a proposed bill that would defund the Wyoming Business Council, and Council directed staff to take the position of keeping the Wyoming Business Council funded. City Manager Napier also discussed a bill regarding the binding arbitration feature of fire departments' collective bargains. Council directed staff to take the position supporting other municipalities that would like to remove the binding arbitration feature. City Manager Napier also discussed the legislative efforts to bring a skilled nursing facility to Casper.

Next, Mayor Powell reviewed the Council's committee and board assignments. Councilmember Johnson volunteered for the CATC Board, Councilmember Freel volunteered for the OYD Advisory Committee, Councilmember Lutz volunteered for the Contractors and Licensing Board, Councilmember Bates volunteered for the Utility Advisory Board, Councilmember Powell volunteered for the Council Finance Committee, and Councilmember Huber volunteered for the Air Service Advisory Committee and Code Enforcement Committee. Council discussed covering each other's committees when they are unable to attend.

Next, Council went around the table to discuss their respective board and committee meetings and share ideas and concerns related to public matters of interest.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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ATTEST:

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Fleur D. Tremel

City Clerk

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Charles Powell

Mayor