

COUNCIL PRE-MEETING

Tuesday, December 3, 2019 5:30 p.m.
Casper City Hall - Council Meeting Room

AGENDA

1. Walk Through Metal Detectors and LED Lighting for the Casper Events Center
2. Metro Road Speed Data
3. Agenda Review

Mayor Powell began the pre-meeting session at 5:32 p.m. with Councilmembers Bates, Cathey, Freel, Hopkins, Lutz, Pacheco, and Mayor Powell in attendance. Absent: Huber and Johnson.

City Manager Napier provided an overview of the funding received as well as the request in order to purchase metal detectors and for the LED lighting project for the Casper Events Center (CEC). Tim Cortez, Parks and Recreation Manager, elaborated on the funding received, proposed re-appropriating excess funds from the pool liner project, and pointed out the advantages to upgrading both the security and lighting at the CEC. Councilmember Cathey asked if this would lower the subsidy required by the CEC to operate as well as how that would affect Spectra’s income. City Attorney Henley indicated that the City is in a shared savings relationship with Spectra, so they would benefit from the cost savings. Councilmember Hopkins asked about on-demand metering, likely cost savings, and power management. City Manager Napier indicated that consumption would be easier to control with a wireless system, which would result in savings. Mayor Powell asked about payback time and if the project is budget neutral. Mr. Cortez indicated that it is not possible to calculate the payback time with the data available. He further stated that the project cost will double or triple if it is carried out at a later time. He also said that this is a budget neutral project. Mayor Powell asked what staff needed at this time. City Manager Napier asked for direction to move forward or to re-bid. Councilmember Bates asked about staffing, which Mr. Cortez addressed. Mayor Powell asked about the current trends in facility security and Mr. Cortez answered. Council supported bringing this forward to a Council meeting.

City Manager Napier then spoke regarding proposed changes to the speed limit for Metro Road. Council supported bringing this forward to a Council meeting.

Mayor Powell opened the discussion for agenda review. Councilmember Freel asked about the annexation process and when the Planning and Zoning Commission is or isn’t involved. Craig Collins, Casper City Planner, stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission is often consulted, but it is not a requirement.

Mayor Powell adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Fleur D. Tremel
City Clerk

Charles Powell
Mayor