

COUNCIL WORK SESSION
Tuesday, December 27, 2016, 4:30 p.m.
Casper City Hall
Council Meeting Room

AGENDA

1. Straw Poll for 2017 Leadership and Pro-tem Appointment
2. Economic Impact of Liquor Licensing Resolution
3. Future Agenda Review

Mayor Sandoval called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Councilman Cathey, Johnson, Heili, Pacheco, Humphrey, and Hopkins. Councilmen Miller and Powell were absent.

The decision to cancel the Council orientation portion of this meeting was made by Mayor Sandoval due to weather and poor travel conditions. Orientation will be rescheduled as soon as possible.

Mayor Sandoval introduced the straw poll to determine Mayor and Vice President of Council for 2017. Mayor Sandoval asked Council for a decision to allow an absentee ballot from Councilman Powell. Council gave thumbs-up to allow. In case of run-off for Mayor, Council gave thumbs-up for City Attorney Bill Luben to call Councilman Powell to obtain his absentee vote via phone. Five votes are required for straw poll selection to be valid. Straw poll selections of Mayor and Vice President of Council will be voted on and made official at the January 3, 2017, Regular Council Meeting.

Returning members of Council and incoming members simultaneously cast their votes for both Mayor and Vice President of Council. Outgoing members of Council do not vote. Mayor Sandoval and City Attorney Bill Luben collected the envelopes and moved into the Council Meeting Room galley to count the votes.

Mayor Sandoval and Mr. Luben returned to the meeting room and announced a run off for Mayor between Councilman Humphrey and Councilman Johnson. New ballots were distributed and Council cast a second vote. Mr. Luben left the room to call Councilman Powell for his absentee vote. Councilman Powell's run off vote was obtained and Mayor Sandoval and Mr. Luben returned to the galley to count the votes. They returned to announce that Councilman Kenyne Humphrey will be Mayor and Councilman Ray Pacheco will be Vice President of Council for 2017.

Councilman Cathey asked incoming Councilmen if there were any changes and/or objections to the draft of the Economic Impact of Liquor Licensing Resolution. The new Council of 2017 will be voting on this resolution on January 3, 2017.

City Manager McDonald reviewed the agenda for January 3, 2017. Transfer of power will be majority of the January 3, 2017, meeting. Incoming Councilmen will have an opportunity to speak and recognize family members and friends. Three public hearings are scheduled to be set at the upcoming meeting and two resolutions to authorize.

Councilman-elect Walsh expressed concerns regarding the two accesses in the Fairgrounds Home Addition vacation and replat at the southeast corner of Fairgrounds Road. The public hearing for this ordinance was held on December 20, 2016. This item will be taken off of consent for the January 3, 2017.

Councilman Cathey will attend the Hall of Justice/Detention Center Joint Powers Board meeting on January 3, 2017, in Mayor Sandoval's stead.

Councilman Bob Hopkins was selected by Council to serve as Mayor pro-tem during the transition of Councils at the January 3, 2017, meeting.

Mayor Sandoval adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.