

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey City Council conducted a City Council Work Session on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor John LeTourneau
Councilmember Mark Kuzma
Councilmember Jeff Menth
Councilmember Debra Musgrove
Councilmember Chris Riley
Councilmember Dan Specht

Also Present: City Administrator Kurtis Ulrich
Finance Director Diana Lund
Police Chief Jeff Katers
Public Works Superintendent Grant Riemer
Administrative Services Director Colleen Lasher
Deputy City Administrator Timothy Gladhill
City Engineer Bruce Westby

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor LeTourneau called the City Council Work Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

2.01: Discussion Regarding Union Contract Negotiations for AFSCME, LELS-Patrol, LELS-Sergeants and LELS-Captain (Discussion Closed to the Public)

Mayor LeTourneau noted that the purpose of this case is to discuss union contract negotiations for AFSCME, LELS-Patrol, LELS-Sergeants and LELS-Captain.

Motion by Councilmember Kuzma, seconded by Councilmember Musgrove, to recess the meeting to Closed Session at 5:31 p.m.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Acting Mayor LeTourneau, Councilmembers Kuzma, Musgrove, Menth, Riley, and Specht. Voting No: None.

The meeting reconvened to Open Session at 6:42 p.m.

2.01: Discussion Regarding Union Contract Negotiations for AFSCME, LELS-Patrol, LELS-Sergeants and LELS-Captain (Discussion Closed to the Public)

Administrative Services Director Lasher reported that the Council discussed the union negotiations and staff will continue to meet with the unions.

2.02: Continued Discussion of 2021 Budget/Levy

Finance Director Lund reviewed the staff report. She commented that some homes will see a reduction in the tax value because of the decreased valuation of the property by the County. She provided details on the proposed 4.99 percent increase to the levy, which is a decrease of about \$92,000 from the last worksession review.

City Administrator Ulrich provided details on the Nowthen Fire training line item.

The consensus of the Council was to move forward with the proposed preliminary levy as proposed with a 4.99 percent increase.

2.03: Discuss 2020 Citizen Survey

No discussion.

2.04: Discuss Council Committee Appointments due to the Ward 1 Vacancy

No discussion.

3. TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

3.01: Review Future Topics/ Calendar

Noted.

4. MAYOR / COUNCIL / STAFF INPUT

None.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The Work Session of the City Council was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurtis G. Ulrich
City Administrator

ATTEST:

Katie M. Schmidt
Administrative Assistant

Drafted by Amanda Staple
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**CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey City Council conducted a Closed Session on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor John LeTourneau
Councilmember Mark Kuzma
Councilmember Jeff Menth
Councilmember Debra Musgrove
Councilmember Dan Specht
Councilmember Chris Riley

Members Absent:

Also Present: City Administrator Kurtis Ulrich
Administrative Services Director Colleen Lasher

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor LeTourneau called the Closed Session of the City Council to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. COUNCIL BUSINESS

2.01: Discussion Regarding Union Contract Negotiations for AFSCME, LELS-Patrol, LELS-Sergeants & LELS-Captains

Administrative Services Director Lasher explained that the purpose of the case is for the Council to discuss the union contract negotiations for AFSCME, LELS-Patrol, LELS-Sergeants, and LELS-Captains.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Musgrove, seconded by Councilmember Kuzma, to adjourn the Closed Session.

Motion carried.

The Closed Session was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurtis G. Ulrich
City Administrator

ATTEST:

Katie M. Schmidt
Administrative Assistant

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