

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

The Ramsey City Council conducted a City Council Work Session on Tuesday, November 17, 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
Administrative Services Director Colleen Lasher
Deputy City Administrator Timothy Gladhill
Councilmember Elect Chelsea Howell

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor LeTourneau called the City Council Work Session to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

2.01: Discussion Regarding Union Contract Negotiations for AFSCME, LELS-Patrol, LELS-Sergeants & LELS-Captains (Discussion closed to the public)

Administrative Services Director Lasher recommended that the Council enter closed session to discuss this case to discuss the status of negotiations related to union contract negotiations for AFSCME, LELS-Patrol, LELS-Sergeants, and LELS-Captains.

Motion by Councilmember Musgrove, seconded by Councilmember Kuzma, to recess the meeting to Closed Session at 6:33 p.m.

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

The meeting reconvened to Open Session at 8:13 p.m.

Administrative Services Director Lasher stated that the Council discussed the negotiation strategy to settle one-year contracts with AFSCME, LELS-Patrol, LELS-Sergeants, and LELS-Captains. Staff will continue negotiations with these groups.

3. TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

3.01: Review Future Topics/ Calendar

Noted.

4. MAYOR / COUNCIL / STAFF INPUT

Councilmember Musgrove asked when this topic may come before the Council again and whether it could occur at a regular work session rather than holding special work sessions.

Mayor LeTourneau stated that if efficiency can be created during the regular meetings to conduct more business that would be wonderful but noted that sometimes that cannot be controlled, and additional meetings are necessary.

Administrative Services Director Lasher stated that she will attempt to come back to the Council at its December 8th meeting.

City Administrator Ulrich stated that staff was looking to hold a special meeting on December 15th for a development request, which is the normal Public Works Committee meeting night and noted that could provide an opportunity to discuss union negotiations as well.

Administrative Services Director Lasher noted that she would ideally like to have the contracts on the regular agenda on December 8th.

Assistant City Administrator Gladhill provided details on the development request, noting that staff will provide an update next week but ideally would like to have the Council take action in December in order to allow the development to connect to sanitary sewer before the hard frost sets in.

Mayor LeTourneau encouraged staff to reach out if another meeting of the Council is needed related to contract negotiations.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The Work Session of the City Council was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurtis G. Ulrich
City Administrator

ATTEST:

Katie M. Schmidt
Administrative Assistant

Drafted by Amanda Staple
TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.

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

The Ramsey City Council conducted a Closed Session on Tuesday, November 17, 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

Members Absent:

Also Present: City Administrator Kurtis Ulrich
Administrative Services Director Colleen Lasher
Assistant City Administrator Tim Gladhill
Councilmember Elect Chelsea Howell

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor LeTourneau called the Closed Session of the City Council to order at 6:33 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-Sergeant, and LELS-Captain.

3. ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion carried.

The Closed Session was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurtis G. Ulrich
City Administrator

ATTEST:

Katie M. Schmidt
Administrative Assistant

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