

STUDY SESSION NOTES

CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO

Council Chambers
7500 W. 29th Ave.

August 15, 2011

Mayor Pro Tem Langworthy called the Study Session to order at 6:30 p.m.

Council Members present: Karen Adams, Tracy Langworthy, Wanda Sang, Mike Stites, Karen Berry, Joseph DeMott and Joyce Jay. Also present: City Manager, Patrick Goff; Management Analyst, Nathan Mosley; Community Development Director, Kenneth Johnstone; Deputy City Clerk, Bruce Roome; City Treasurer, Larry Schulz; Brittany Scantland, City Attorney's Office; staff and interested citizens.

Absent: Mayor DiTullio, Davis Reinhart

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Staff Report(s)

a) Lakeside Animal Hospital

Mr. Goff summarized for Council a summary of the issues between Lakeside Animal Hospital and the City of Wheat Ridge. It was determined the main complaints were related to a grant from the Wheat Ridge Business District and the approval of a monument sign for the business. City staff has been working with Lakeside Animal Hospital staff to clarify the issues and present explanations to them regarding the process.

b) Jefferson County 150th Birthday Celebration

The Jefferson County 150th Birthday Celebration Committee is requesting a \$2,500 donation to help fund their celebration. Consensus reached by Council for the table sponsor level of \$400.

c) Wadsworth Mixed-Use Rezoning Opt Out Deadline

The deadline has arrived for the businesses to opt out of the new zoning per Ordinance #1496. Two businesses have opted out: Bank of the West and Pep Boys Automotive, both at 44th Avenue and Wadsworth Blvd.

2. Centura Health Check Passports Presentation - Liz Tredennick

Ms. Tredennick from Centura Health presented City Council information on their Health Passport Program. The Health Passport program offers Wellness activities, educational classes, social events, travel and volunteer opportunities as well as free individualized health insurance counseling, a free prescription discount program and free and low cost health screenings and immunizations. The Health Passport program also provides information and help understanding Medicare, Medicare Part D and Medicaid. The Health Passport program is free and open to any State of Colorado resident.

3. Xcel Presentation – Preston Gibson

Mr. Gibson, Xcel Energy's Area Manager for Community and Local Government Affairs, discussed with Council Xcel's commitment to the City of Wheat Ridge. This is done through charitable giving, renewable energy programs, generating tax revenue, and energy efficiency programs.

4. Mutual Planning Area Boundary between the City of Wheat Ridge and the City of Golden

The City of Golden has approached the City of Wheat Ridge about the potential to establish a mutual planning area boundary between our two communities. Golden has drafted an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with an accompanying map that would establish a planning area boundary between the two municipalities.

An IGA such as this is required to be considered by City Council after a public hearing with proper public notice. If Council wants to proceed, it will be necessary to advertise for a subsequent City Council meeting to conduct such a public hearing.

Mr. Johnstone sought direction from Council regarding the issue. Consensus from Council for an additional Study Session with more information as well as consideration of different length of terms for an agreement.

5. Discussion of Laser fiche online process – Brittany Scantland

Ms. Scantland discussed that following the Council's study session on June 6th, City staff has endeavored to categorize and review City documents which are now available on Laserfiche on the City's website. Staff has conducted the review with an eye toward what documents contain personal identifying information and whether they can be separated from other documents available online. (For the purposes of this analysis, personal identifying information has been interpreted to include name, address, phone number and/or social security number).

Currently, there are 687,802 images available via Laserfiche, online. (Stated another way, there are 687,802 pages available – each image is the face of a page). The documents available are divided into three categories: City Clerk, City Manager and Community Development. Neither municipal court documents nor public works documents are searchable via Laserfiche, currently.

Six options to consider were presented to Council:

1. Provide no documents online
2. Removing information currently available
3. Policy moving forward
4. Open records requests
5. Intranet terminals
6. Status quo

Staff's recommendation is #6 of status quo and to monitor the situation over the next six months to see if any other concerns arise.

Consensus from Council to concur with Staff's recommendation of option #6, status quo.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.



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Deputy City Clerk