

SPECIAL STUDY SESSION NOTES
CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO
City Council Chambers 7500 W. 29th Avenue
June 14, 2021

Upon adjournment of the Regular City Council Meeting, the Mayor called this Special Study Session to order at 8:53 p.m., after the Regular City Council Meeting adjourned.

This meeting was conducted both as a virtual meeting and hybrid, where some members of the Council or City staff were physically present at the Municipal building, and some members of the public attended in person as well.

After calling the meeting to order, Mayor Starker stated the rules and procedures necessitated by this meeting format.

Mayor Starker welcomed the Council, other elected officials, staff and interested citizens.

The Mayor also explained the virtual/hybrid meeting format, how citizens will have the opportunity to be heard, and the procedures and policies to be followed.

Council members present: Amanda Weaver, Judy Hutchinson, Zach Urban, Janeece Hoppe, Korey Stites, Valerie Nosler Beck, and Leah Dozeman. Councilmember Hultin excused herself as she is traveling out of the country.

Also, present: City Clerk, Steve Kirkpatrick; City Manager Patrick Goff; Director of Administration, Allison Scheck; Division Chief, Jim Lorentz; Assistant to the City Manager, Marianne Schilling, Laurie Urban with Polco|National Research, guests and interested citizens.

Citizen Comment on Agenda Items –

No one came forward to speak.

Note about Wheat Ridge Speaks:

Citizens may visit the Wheat Ridge Speaks website and enter written comments of up to 1,000 words on any Council agenda item. *The deadline for citizens to submit comments is 12:00 Noon Mountain Time on the day of a Council session* so that Council members, other elected officials and City Staff have time to review the comments before the meeting on Monday evening.

The City Clerk's Office transcribes those Wheat Ridge Speaks comments into these minutes, placing each comment along with the record for that agenda item, including items that include a public hearing (verbatim, if the comments do not contain lascivious language or unlawful hate speech).

There were no citizen comments entered into Wheat Ridge Speaks related to this session.

1. 2021 Resident Survey Draft Report

Ms. Schilling introduced Ms. Laurie Urban with Polco|National Research Center, who gave a detailed review of the preliminary outputs from the Resident Survey.

She gave a thorough presentation about the scientific validity of the work and the key findings. Overall, our residents are very happy to live in Wheat Ridge and they rate specific City services and facilities higher than in previous Resident Surveys.

Councilmembers had questions and comments:

In the section comparing survey results over time, there are letters, e.g. c and f. What do those mean? Ms. Urban gave a detailed response and explanation.

A discussion of the next steps and studying and using the results ensued.

2. Staff Report(s)

Nothing further at this time, since staff made reports already in tonight's Regular Council Meeting.

3. Elected Officials' Report(s)

Nothing further, as this session immediately followed a Regular Council Meeting.


ADJOURNMENT

The Special Study Session adjourned at 9:22 pm.

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON June 28, 2021.



Steve Kirkpatrick, City Clerk



Janece Hoppe, Mayor Pro Tem