

KIRTLAND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 16, 2024 – Work Session

The work session meeting of Kirtland City Council commenced at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were: Ronald Fenstermaker, Scott Haymer, Joseph Smolic, Julie Symonds and Eric Ziegler. Matthew Schulz arrived shortly after the executive session convened. Absent: Suzanne Grazia.

Mayor Kevin Potter, Law Director Matthew Lallo, Finance Director Louis Slapnicker, Service Director Joseph Fornaro, Police Chief Brian McCallister and Fire Chief Anthony Hutton were in attendance. Also present was Attorney Mark Marong.

Council President Smolic stated he would entertain a motion to convene an executive session to discuss the appointment of a public official, pursuant to Article I, Section 7(a) of the City Charter; to discuss collective bargaining, pursuant to Article I, Section 7(d) of the City Charter; and to discuss pending litigation, pursuant to Article I, Section 7(c) of the City Charter. Mr. Fenstermaker so moved, and Mr. Ziegler provided the second. **ROLL CALL: MOTION CARRIED 5/0 (VOTING YEA: HAYMER, SMOLIC, SYMONDS, ZIEGLER AND FENSTERMAKER. VOTING NAY: NONE).** The time was 6:32 p.m.

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Upon adjournment of the executive session, the work session meeting reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

Referring to Ordinance 24-O-6 on tonight's agenda, Mr. Slapnicker advised that there are two changes to the temporary budget. The first change relates to the outdoor bathrooms; the General Fund is increased by \$125,000. He noted this was in the 2023 final budget to construct the outdoor bathrooms at the Community Center. The City has a \$425,000 grant; it is reimbursable and the temporary budget needs to be amended to add the \$125,000. Mr. Slapnicker said the second change relates to Fund 214, which is the ARPA First Responder Grant. Those funds were received in 2023 and it was fully budgeted. The City did not expend all of the dollars in 2023, so funds are still on balance that are designated by Council ordinance to pay part-time firefighters for premium pay. The funds have been received, and the City would like to expend those dollars next week; he requested that Ordinance 24-O-6 to amend the temporary budget be passed tonight.

Mr. Schulz moved to adjourn, with the second by Ms. Symonds. The motion of Council passed by unanimous vote and the work session meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

President of Council

Clerk of Council