

## **Cloquet City Council Work Session**

Wednesday, August 7, 2019

**Present:** W. Carlson, S. Lamb, C. Swanson, K. Kolodge, L. Wilkinson, Mayor Maki

**Absent:** None

**Staff:** Reeves, Barclay, Klassen, Hansen, Peterson, Ferrell

### **City Administrator Hiring Process**

City Administrator Reeves discussed the City Administrator hiring process and schedule provided by Sharon Klumpp of Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP (formerly Springsted). Council was asked to review and bring any changes to be made to the August 20<sup>th</sup> work session when Ms. Klumpp will be in attendance.

### **2020 Preliminary CIP discussion**

City Administrator Reeves and Public Works Director Peterson reviewed the proposed CIP and Local Sales Tax CIP. Mr. Reeves explained the LOST legislative change results in the city having \$1.5 million in LOST funds that are not currently allocated to any projects and discussed potential uses for those funds.

Mr. Peterson reviewed the major CIP projects from 2020-2024, which include Prospect Avenue reconstruction, 14<sup>th</sup> Street corridor, a new public works building and a 2<sup>nd</sup> water treatment plant.

Discussion took place on consideration of franchise fees and utility rates as a source of revenue.

Other discussions include improvements to the Highway 33/35 intersection, Northwoods arena, and overall street needs.

### **Other Discussion**

Council discussed the status of CAT7. Recommendation for the cable coordinator come to a Work Session and talk with Council regarding what needs to be done to get the station and Cable Commission active again. Question was raised if there is a Joint Powers Agreement or By-Laws for the Cable Commission. Mr. Reeves or Council isn't aware of a JPA, but stated there is an ordinance.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Reeves  
City Administrator