

**Cloquet City Council Work Session**  
Tuesday, November 21, 2017

**Present:** D. Bjerkness, K. Kolodge, S. Langley, R. Maki, J. Rock, Mayor Hallback

**Absent:** A. Bailey

**Staff:** N. Klassen, H. Hansen, A. Cottingham, C. Peterson, J. Anderson, J. Palmer

**Other:** J. Peterson, Pine Journal

**Budget / CIP Review**

- Mr. Reeves reviewed the changes that have been made since the adoption of the preliminary budget. The switch in health insurance providers is the most notable change saving \$130,600.
- Mr. Reeves next reviewed changes for future budgets such as developing a comprehensive infrastructure and facility replacement plan along with related financing plans; possibly consolidating a number of funds into the General Fund; and research franchise fee and utility fee options.
- Council will adopt the budget as presented at the December 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

**CAB Policy Review**

- Mr. Reeves reviewed the updated CAB Policy stating revisions were made with input from the CAB. The most notable change is removing the hiring procedure from this policy and adding it to the Policy Department Manual. The updated CAB Policy focuses directly on their role in hiring and promotion, citizen complaints, and certain disciplinary actions by making recommendations to the Chief.
- Discussion on the 20 training hours required. Hours may be extended to allow for completion if timing is an issue. Attending 20 hours of Citizens Police Academy is encouraged as well.
- Council had a conversation on the number of terms a member can serve. 2 terms was agreed on. Mr. Reeves will update the wording in the policy pertaining to the number of terms and training hours.

**CAHA / Wilderness**

- Mr. Reeves updated the Council on his recent meetings with CAHA and the Wilderness. The Wilderness need a lease agreement in place for the 2018-2019 season to present to their league by the end of the year. Another meeting will take place next week with the Wilderness and CAHA. This will be a December 5<sup>th</sup> Work Session agenda item.

**Cloquet Avenue Update**

- Caleb Peterson and John Anderson reviewed the Cloquet Avenue conceptual plans to date. Mill and overlay of the avenue, east/west bike lanes, bulbouts and the addition of a curb median from 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> streets.

- Discussion of traffic signals along Cloquet Avenue. 10<sup>th</sup> Street does not meet the strict interpretations that warrant a signal. Options include pedestrian push buttons or the removal of the signal completely. Review of the tree survey, parking, streetscape, poles and lighting options.
- Mr. Peterson briefly discussed budget and funding options for the project.
- The tentative schedule was presented. Construction will take place over the 2018 summer.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Reeves  
City Administrator