

Cold Spring City Council Minutes
February 10, 2020

The February 10, 2020 special meeting minutes was called to order by Mayor Penque at 7:30pm.

Roll Call:

- Present - Mayor Penque, Chris Ampfer, Paul Kloeker, Michael Ruscher, Adam Sandfoss, Lisa Cavanaugh and Cindy Moore, City Administrator Steve Taylor, City Attorney Brandon Voelker, City Clerk Robin Morency, Public Works Director Ron Hitch, and Police Chief Steve Collinsworth

Public Input:

- Civic/Rec Center: Emma Adkisson with PCA Architecture addressed the audience and introduced herself. She questioned the audience to get a feel for what demographics were present. She asked things such as age, if people were retired, stay-at-home moms, and why they are present at the meeting. Some of the council members shared with the audience why council has voted to move forward on this project. Michael Ruscher urged the audience to share their input. Adam Sandfoss said that the council is trying to think about the future of our city and how they can attract people to our city. Emma Adkisson presented the master site plan for the construction. She explained why they chose the locations that they did; the Police Department wants and needs their own entrance, so they are next to the daycare with their own roadway cut down the hill with an entrance on East Alexandria Pike. The Community Center will be behind the Crime Lab, where the garage currently sits. There was also a geotechnical study done. This tested the soil and dictated the locations of the buildings. There will also be an amphitheater in the rear of the community center. A resident asked what the square footage of these buildings are. Ms. Adkisson stated that the Police Department will be 4,000 to 6,000 square feet, the square feet of the Community Center hasn't been determined yet. There will be 182 parking spots total in this masterplan. There was discussion about handicap accessibility and there were discussions about updating the playground. Ms. Adkisson stated that it is their goal to go full force with construction this summer. Ms. Adkisson reviewed the survey responses as of 2/4/2020. There were a range of responses, for example, a large rentable space, a gymnasium, a pool, an exercise studio, a cooperative work space and a running/walking track. Members in the audience suggested using the space for graduation parties, birthday parties, family reunions, wedding receptions, and suggested that the space include a kitchenette. The architects passed out some images of different spaces and asked the audience to circle the images that they would like to see in the building. Once the survey is closed, the responses will be given to the architect so they can get an idea of what is wanted for the Community Center. Hard copies of the survey were handed out to anyone that needed them. The survey will be closed on Monday, February 17, 2020. There was some discussion about the maintenance of the community center and if the city would need to hire additional staff.

Confirmation of the location for the Police Department and Community Center as recommended by the architect and engineer.

- Brandon Voelker stated that this vote is to decide where the buildings will be located, it does not have anything to do with what is going to be in the buildings. Michael Ruscher made a motion. Adam Sandfoss seconded the motion. Cindy Moore wanted to add that she is glad that the geotechnical testing was done, and she said a lot of responses in the survey are interested in the splash park and she would like to see that incorporated in this phase of the project. Brandon Voelker stated that this vote is just for the buildings and amphitheater. Roll call vote showed 6 yeses and 0 noes. **Motion carried.**

Public Comment:

- Brandon Voelker gave some background information on the Fairness Ordinance. He stated the purpose of this is to make race and gender a protected class in the City. Adam Sandfoss stated that 83% of Kentuckians support this, and it doesn't cost the taxpayers anything. A woman in the audience wanted to make sure this legislation doesn't allow peoples beliefs to get thrown to the wayside just because of this ordinance. Brandon Voelker confirmed that.

Ordinance 20-1061

- 1st reading to approve an ordinance creating a new chapter of the City of Cold Spring Code of Ordinances to prohibit certain discriminatory practices within the City. Lisa Cavanaugh had some language that she would like to add to the ordinance and would like for there to be more research in regards to how this ordinance has affected other cities that have passed this ordinance. Chris Ampfer suggested adding the language of the Supreme Court. There was a brief discussion on how this ordinance will be enforced. Lisa Cavanaugh shared a resident comment that she received. Michael Ruscher made a motion. Adam Sandfoss seconded the motion. Roll call vote shows 5 yeses and 1 no – Cavanaugh. **Motion carried.**

Adjournment:

- Mayor Penque adjourned the February 10, 2020 special council meeting at 9:42pm.

Approved: 2/24/2020

City Clerk: /s/ Robin Morency

Mayor: /s/ D. Angelo Penque

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