

**The City of Lee's Summit**  
**Action Letter**  
**City Council - Work Session**

Thursday, June 14, 2018

5:45 PM

City Council Chambers

City Hall

220 SE Green Street

Lee's Summit, MO 64063

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**WORK SESSION NO. 2**

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**Preliminaries:**

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Call to Order

Mayor Baird called Work Session No. 2 to order at 5:52 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

D. Roll Call

**Present:** 8 - Mayor Bill Baird  
Councilmember Rob Binney  
Councilmember Fred DeMoro  
Councilmember Phyllis Edson  
Councilmember Craig Faith  
Councilmember Diane Forte  
Councilmember Bob Johnson  
Councilmember Beto Lopez

**Absent:** 1 - Councilmember Trish Carlyle

E. Approval of Agenda

**ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Forte, seconded by Councilmember DeMoro, to approve the agenda as published. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Mayor Baird  
Councilmember DeMoro  
Councilmember Edson  
Councilmember Faith  
Councilmember Forte  
Councilmember Johnson  
Councilmember Lopez

**Away FT:** 1 - Councilmember Binney

**1. Public Comments:**

Ms. Geraldine Amoto again shared her opinion of the state of the republic, presidencies, healthcare, child welfare, the environment, totalitarianism and other topics.

## 2. Council Comments:

Councilmember Johnson stated that he was contacted by constituents from his district regarding the recent windstorm and he expressed his desire for the city to develop a future program for storm debris clean up.

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez reported that he and Councilmember Edson have been putting together a list of project requests they have received from constituents in their district. He would like all councilmembers do the same so they can compare them to the list of CIP projects that the city has proposed.

Mayor Baird asked staff to research producing a citizens survey. He would like for it to be provided it in multiple formats, print and electronic.

ACTION: A motion was made by Councilmember Forte, seconded by Councilmember Faith to move the June 21, 2018 City Council meeting to June 28, 2018. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Baird  
Councilmember Binney  
Councilmember DeMoro  
Councilmember Edson  
Councilmember Faith  
Councilmember Forte  
Councilmember Johnson  
Council member Lopez

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Carlyle

## 3. Presentations:

- A. [2018-2102](#) City Council Discussion of Economic Incentives to Achieve Community Development Goals

Mayor Baird started the discussion by stating that he believes the Economic Incentive Policy should reflect the vision of the current City Council. He would like for it to be data or performance driven so the decisions made by the Council can be more consistent.

Discussion points: City Council's vision, Policy Emphasis, Use of Incentives (matrix), Strategic Direction and Targeted Areas.

Council feedback:

A. Historic Downtown

- 1) Not an economic driver and there are other areas of the city that need attention.
- 2) Private money invested, rise in quality jobs with a new wave of

professional services, rising property values.

3) Developers choose what areas they want to invest in.

4) A great attraction desired by other cities in the area.

B. The development of quality jobs.

C. The development and maintenance of infrastructure.

D. The definition of blighted areas.

E. Local preference

1) Ask developers to use a percentage of minority, women or disadvantage owned contractors.

2) Require developers to use contractors that train apprentices in the construction trades.

3) Local preference to include contractors, suppliers and services.

Additional Staff comments: Incentives help with the development and maintenance of infrastructure. They will sometimes raise tax revenues, increase revenue from property taxes, address under utilized property, and historic preservation.

#### **4. Committee Reports**

Councilmember Johnson announced there will be a Finance and Budget Committee meeting on Monday, July 2, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

Councilmember Binney reported that the Board of Aeronautical Commissioners met this week. He gave a brief summary of financials and hangar rentals.

Councilmember Faith announced the next Public Works Committee meeting will be held June 19, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez reported there was a CEDC meeting on June 13, 2018. It was very productive and they are beginning to address targeted areas.

#### **5. Council Roundtable**

Councilmember Binney reported this Saturday, June 16, 2018 there will be a pancake breakfast hosted by the Experimental Aircraft Association at the Lee's Summit Airport. This monthly event includes free young eagles flights for youth under 13 years old. Also, the Airport Open House will be June 23, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and will include over 30 booths.

Councilmember Johnson announced there will be a free concert Friday, June 15, 2018 at the Legacy Park Amphitheater, a Mamas and Papas tribute group from

Las Vegas.

Councilmember DeMoro stated that he, Councilmember Edson and Mayor Pro Tem Lopez attended the elected officials conference in Columbia, MO. It was well attended and there were several good topics covered.

Councilmember Faith reported that he had an opportunity to again tour the Lee's Summit Police Department. Their normal workout facility is shut down due to a watermain break but officers had made a workout station in the hall. He said that it is an example of their dedication and he appreciates their service.

Mayor Baird commented that he appreciates the communication between Councilmembers.

## **6. Staff Roundtable**

There were no items for Staff Roundtable.

## **7. Adjournment**

Mayor Baird adjourned Work Session No. 2 at 7:18 p.m.

Unless determined otherwise by the Mayor and City Council, no new agenda items shall be considered after 11:00 p.m.

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