

The City of Lee's Summit
Action Letter - Draft
Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Monday, August 24, 2020

5:30 PM

Via Video Conference

Notice is hereby given that the Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee will meet on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 5:30pm via video conference as provided by Section 610.015 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic the meeting will not be held in-person at City Hall, and therefore the public is invited to participate in the meeting with live audio and video via the Zoom software platform. Persons wishing to provide public comment on any item of business on the agenda may do so in writing prior to 5:00 pm on August 21, 2020 either by email to: clerk@cityofls.net, by leaving a voicemail at 816-969-1005 or by leaving written printed comments in the utility payment drop boxes located in the alley behind City Hall or inside the foyer at the north end of City Hall, both located at 220 SE Green Street, Lee's Summit, MO 64063. Comments submitted by these methods will be presented in writing to the commission members and included in the minutes/action letter of the meeting. The public can attend the meeting by requesting the Zoom link / telephone number from the City Clerk at the email address listed above.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**

Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve the Agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilmember DeMoro. Vote: 4-0-1

- 4. Public Comments**

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

- 5. Items for Discussion**

- A. [2020-3628](#)** Draft RFP for Lobby Services

Brian Head, City Attorney explained the draft RFP for lobby services and started the discussion with item number 2. Scope of Services to the Committee.

General discussion revolved around:

1. The importance of our relationship with the lobbyist hired and their current relationship with the Legislators
2. Possibly raising the budget if desiring more services.
3. Keeping the contract term at three years.

Consensus was to have staff add the following items to the RFP and bring an updated version to the meeting in September:

1. Add language regarding:
 - a. The lobbyist conferring with the elected officials in preparation to testify on our behalf.
 - b. Having additional face to face time with the lobbyist. (possibly by Zoom).
 - c. Adding a question for the candidate to describe the types of relationships they currently have with legislators and their philosophy.

B. [2020-3630](#) Legislative Priorities

Brian Head started the discussion and informed the Committee that he had been in contact with our current lobbyist. He mentioned that he asked Mr. Durham for his thoughts on issues that might be coming up.

Mr. Durham provided the following:

1. Wayfair
2. Franchise Fees
3. Special District taxing authority
4. Policing - practice, employment, training
5. Prosecutorial Authority
6. Economic Development Programs and credits
7. Limitations on Authorities regarding zoning, building codes and business licenses
8. Local government expenditure database of expenses in real time.

After brief discussion, Mr. Head offered to send out a clean copy of last year's priorities in a separate email to the Committee so they may begin making changes to it for further discussion at the next meeting.

6. Roundtable

The next Legislative Intergovernmental Committee meeting will be held on Monday, Sept 21, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

7. Adjournment

Councilmember Carlyle adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

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