



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

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

6:30 PM

City Council Chambers

City Hall

220 SE Green Street

Lee's Summit, MO 64063

(816) 969-1000

**WORK SESSION NO. 8**

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**Preliminaries:**

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

Mayor Baird called Work Session No. 8 to order at 7:13 p.m.

- 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

**1. Approval of Agenda**

ACTION: On motion by Councilmember Faith, second by Councilmember Forte, the Council voted unanimously to approve the published agenda.

AYE:

Councilmember Faith

Councilmember Forte

Councilmember Edson

Councilmember DeMoro

Councilmember Lopez

Councilmember Johnson

Councilmember Binney

Mayor Baird

ABSENT:

Councilmember Carlyle

**2. Council Roundtable**

Councilmember Faith noted the 2019 Citizens Leadership Academy is scheduled to start this Saturday, January 19th here at City Hall from 8am - 12pm.

Councilmember Faith advised the Public Works Committee would be meeting on January 29th at 5:30pm and they will be discussing the snowfall report.

Councilmember Edson said she had taken the opportunity to teach 5 classes on local government at Lee's Summit North High School. She enjoyed teaching the classes and the students were very engaged.

Mayor Baird simply stated, "Go Chiefs!"

**3. Presentations:**

A. [2018-2402](#) Presentation & Discussion - Preparation for Long Range Development Planning and Community Growth

Council Discussion Included:

- City Use
- Timing
- Brought through Planning Commission with Comprehensive Master Plan
- Transportation / Transit Services
- Infrastructure / Underground power lines
- Fiscal Development Model (2002 / 2003)
- Land Uses / Zoning
- Public Safety
- Civil Engineering
- Outside Consulting

B. [2018-2395](#) Presentation regarding the City's capacity for debt issuance.

Council Discussion Included:

- Election Dates
- Issue Bonds vs Issue Debt
- Special Committee of Council / Ad Hoc Committee
- May Deadline for August Election / August Deadline for November Election
- Tax Levy / City Levy (5 different levies due to 5 school districts)
- Public Input
- Task Force
- 1 Councilmember from each district to form committee with Public Input

The Council reached a general consensus to send this to Community and Economic Development Committee (CEDC) which has 1 Councilmember from each district. Once vetted by CEDC, the matter will be brought back to the full Council for further discussion.

**4. Public Comments:**

Ms. Geraldine Amato discussed private commercial jurisdiction, can't pay off debts with credit, federal reserve and lawyers are now practicing the "dark arts".

Mr. Roy Mussett wanted to know why a police officer was in front of a house on his street for 3 hours and why the officer didn't remove a tree limb from the roadway. He went on to complain about snow removal throughout the City.

**5. Committee Reports**

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez advised the Community and Economic Development Committee will not be meeting in January. The next meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2019 at 4pm.

Faith noted that he had already stated the next Public Works Committee meeting would be held on January 29, 2019 at 5:30pm in Council Roundtable.

**6. Council Comments:**

Mayor Baird introduced Mr. Chris Clubine as the City's new Management Analyst. Welcomed him to the city and stated he looks forward to working with him.

Mayor Baird said the Work Session nights are usually more laid back and he would like to make sure they still remain somewhat formal as they are official city meetings.

**7. Staff Roundtable**

Mr. Steve Arbo, City Manager, commented on the recent snow removal from the snow storms over the weekend. He stated they had recieved both good and bad comments, but mostly good. The residential target time was later than usual due to the second storm coming through within 24 hours and many downed tree limbs in the roadways.

Mr. Arbo also noted there is another significant snow/ice event in the forecast for this weekend. The upcoming storm will be harder to clear as rain is forecast first which does not allow for pretreatment, it will just wash away in the rain. The storm is also calling for more ice than snow, which is always more difficult.

Mayor and Council gave their thanks to city staff for their time and hard work during these snow events.

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mayor Baird adjourned to Closed Session at 9:08pm.

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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