

City of Muscatine
In-Depth City Council Minutes
7:00 p.m. – March 11, 2021

This meeting was held electronically due to meeting regulations regarding the spread of COVID-19.

Mayor Broderson called the City Council In-Depth meeting for Thursday, March 11, 2021, to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present were Froelich, Malcolm, Gordon, Brockert, Jindrich, Brackett and Hopkins.

Assistant Community Development Director Andrew Fangman gave a presentation regarding to current code and changes that would need to be made in order to allow for the rental of E-Scooters on City Property.

There was discussion among City Council members regarding the pros and cons associated with the use of electric scooters, the codes that would need to be changed to allow for the use of e-scooters on City property and regulations on enforcing rules.

Mr. Fangman stated options to be considered included a pilot program to evaluate the need and use of the scooters, move forward with the program or table the item completely. Councilmember Gordon suggested a fourth option of doing a study with stakeholders to see what the businesses and community member's opinions are.

There was a consensus with City Council to move forward gathering more information and to bring back to City Council in the Fall of 2021.

Jodi Royal-Goodwin gave a presentation on the Grandview Corridor Initiative. Ms. Royal-Goodwin stated that this is a neighborhood revitalization program for Economic Development. She states this will include input from local businesses and residents in the area.

There was a consensus with City Council to move forward with plans and team composition.

Mayor Broderson stated that City Council will start meeting in Council Chambers in April with the public and staff still participating virtually.

Councilmember Hopkins moved to go into closed session at 8:00 p.m. per Iowa Code Section 21.5.1.c to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent and where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in the litigation, and in accordance with Iowa Code Section 622.10 to discuss attorney/client privileged and attorney work product matters with legal counsel. Seconded by Councilmember Gordon.

Vote: Ayes 7, Nays 0, Motion Carried.

Mayor Broderson Called the closed session to order at 8:01 p.m. Present were Councilmembers Hopkins, Froelich, Malcolm, Brockert, Brackett, Gordon and Jindrich. Also present were City Administrator Carol Webb, Administrative Professional Cinda Hilger and City Attorney Matthew Brick.

Councilmember Hopkins moved the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Diana Broderson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carol Webb, City Administrator