



Office of Jim Grafton
City Administrator ▪ Public Works Director

Date: 1-15-19

Re: Park, Building and Grounds/Finance Meeting

Attendance: Mayor Carter, Josh Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Tony Trulson, Kathy Hall, Ian Pavelonis, Larry York, Tony Trulson, Caryn Unsicker, Jim Nelson, Jim Grafton, Ryan Wobler

Location: City Hall 121 11th Street

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm and it was noted a quorum was present for PB&G as well as Finance. There are several agenda items for consideration.

The McGehee Center policy was first addressed. Clerk Nelson explained that since dispatch has moved to another location, the police station is no longer manned 24/7. When there was a weekend reservation at McGehee the renters would pick up a key at the police department. Since that is no longer an option an alternative method needs to be determined. It was suggested that additional keys be purchased and renters would be required to put down a \$25 deposit available at City Clerk. Clerk Nelson said he would prepare revised rental contracts to reflect the changes discussed. Current employees and elected officials are not required to provide a deposit. If the key is not returned the locks could be changed. Committee was in agreement with the proposed changes; this would be set by a written policy. Alderman Trulson asked that the cancellation policy of 10 days be reviewed to seven or 5 working days (example of inclement weather). Clerk Nelson would have the revised policy (by Resolution) by next meeting for council consideration.

The next topic of discussion was listed 'approval of contract for solar on City Hall, FD, PD'. Chairman Dyer explained that he has two interconnect applications for BlueSky for committee consideration. The interconnect agreement is between MidAmerican and the City of Silvis showing Blue Sky as the equipment contractor. The agreement is needed in order to apply for the tax credits. There are two options direct purchase option \$225k with \$109k in credits in option #1 paid over five years. Net cost is \$116,500 to the city. Warranty on the panels is 25 years (without labor). Alderman York asked if the roofs would support the panels. In year 15 the inverters may need to be replaced. Option #2 is power purchase agreement we pay nothing up front, they take the credit and in five years we would purchase for \$86k. We would pay 5.1cents per KWH net with a 2.8% escalator added on. After 25 years the savings would be about \$311,335 in energy bills. The engineer would get the tax credit, energy savings first five years and the \$86k plus depreciation. Alderman Lohse asked when we need to commit...block grant opens on January 15th and closes February 13th. Chairman Dyer explained how the funding of the tax credits would be done. There is no charge to make the interconnection agreement. Chairman Lohse when would we need to make the decision on option 1 or option 2. Mayor Carter said there is a plan B

on the table as well. If council is agreeable he would sign off on the paperwork. Jim Grafton explained that there is a proposal from the developer Ben Eastep that would include panels to power a new building and the police station. It was suggested that BlueSky interconnect not include the police station but instead include the public works building. Chairman Dyer would like committee to consider approving the interconnections. It was suggested that there would be another committee meeting to collect more information. The consensus of the committee was in agreement to allow the Mayor to sign off on the interconnect agreement.

Chairman Dyer brought the committee up to speed with the next step on the SolSmart designation.

The last agenda item was discussion with ESG letter of Intent. Ryan Wobler was in attendance and provided some information. Cost the city no upfront money to do a study in the city. There was not enough time to discuss the proposal in detail so it was suggested that the meeting to discuss ESG be tabled.

There were no other agenda items and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Grafton". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.