



City Council Study Session
September 28, 2015 - 5:30 PM
Auburn City Hall
MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Holman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street in Auburn.

A. Roll Call

City Councilmembers present: Deputy Mayor John Holman, Rich Wagner, Bill Peloza, Largo Wales, Wayne Osborne, Claude DaCorsi and Yolanda Trout.

City officials and staff members present included: Mayor Nancy Backus, City Attorney Daniel B. Heid, Police Chief Bob Lee, Assistant Chief of Police Bill Pierson, Innovation and Technology (IT) Director Paul Haugan, IT Operations Manager Ashley Riggs, IT Customer Support Manager Reba Stowe, Network Engineer Brian Garbarino, Community Development and Public Works Director Kevin Snyder, Assistant Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer Ingrid Gaub, Director of Administration Dana Hinman, Parks, Arts and Recreation Director Daryl Faber and City Clerk Danielle Daskam.

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Amendments to City Code related to charitable solicitations was added to the agenda.

III. AGENDA ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION

A. Security Assessment Overview (15 Minute Presentation/10 Minute Q&A) (Haugan)

Director Haugan reviewed the security assessment the City plans to conduct in October 2015. The security assessment is only for information security not the physical security of staff or infrastructure. He reviewed the security threats and areas that the City needs to focus on.

Councilmember Wales asked how long the assessment will take and if it is currently budgeted. Director Haugan stated if they are able to start in October 2015 it should be completed by the end of the year.

Councilmember Pelozo asked how the City can be better about security and if staff has looked at the firms that provide cyber security. Director Haugan stated the City is in a good place with security but could be better because the hackers are always evolving, and the City needs to stay ahead of the hackers. Staff intends to have cyber security experts assist in the development of the new security platform for the City.

Councilmember Trout asked what type of threat the City is trying to prevent. Director Haugan stated there are security threats called Advance Persistent Threats; which are complex viruses that come into our system in several parts. The City needs to ensure the security environment is able to handle those types of threats.

B. Bicycle Officer Deployment Presentation (15 Minute Presentation/ 15 Min Q&A) (Lee)

Assistant Chief Pierson stated the first police bicycle unit started in 1993. There is increased citizen contacts with bicycle officers and bicycle officers act as surveillance for the downtown area. Assistant Chief Pierson stated it is important to give business owners, downtown citizens and the area parks a face to the police department and the bicycle units provides this. He reviewed shift schedules and staffing. There is a minimum of six patrol officers and a sergeant on each shift. There is an overlap of staffing during peak call times.

Councilmember Pelozo asked if the bike patrol shifts can be changed to address specific target areas. Assistant Chief Pierson said the bike units are able to be used as a directed patrol. The unit has been very effective when used in this manner.

Councilmember Wales stated she has called Valley Communications and has been told they are too busy and to call another time. Assistant Chief Pierson stated Valley Communications typically offers the City excellent service. Councilmember Wales asked if the bicycle officers are a part of the minimum staffing and if the officers stay in the same local area. Assistant Chief Pierson stated these officers are not a part of the minimum staffing and their full time assignment is to the bicycle unit.

Council discussed the need to possibly redistrict the police districts so the calls are more equal among the districts.

C. Amendments to City Code Relating to Charitable Solicitations

Director Snyder presented draft Ordinance No. 6573. Staff is suggesting changes to the definition of a charitable organization. It is difficult language to regulate. The suggested language change would allow staff to balance public safety while supporting the

charitable organizations.

Councilmember Wales stated having police monitor traffic is a good solution for the public safety concerns. She asked if a person would be able to use this amendment to the code to panhandle. Director Snyder stated the aggressive panhandling is managed under a separate portion of City Code and still would not be allowed.

IV. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Deputy Mayor Holman stated an inquiry has been made if the inmates in SCORE are enrolled in the Affordable Care Act. He stated according to SCORE, all inmates receive medical and psychiatric care. When inmates are discharged, they leave with a health care plan that includes enrollment into the Affordable Care Act, one week's worth of medications and a referral for medical treatment.

Mayor Backus stated staff will be sending out the Committee on Committees questionnaire again and asked each Councilmember to answer promptly.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 7th DAY OF August, 2017.


LARGO WALES, DEPUTY MAYOR


Danielle Daskam, City Clerk