Minutes
Finance & Policy Committee
January 4, 2021
5th committee meeting

Committee Members present: Chairman Michael Reynolds in person and Councilwoman Diane Kuzniar via Zoom. Councilwoman Carol King was not present due to personal reasons.
Others present: City Administrator Brandon Madden in person. Neither Finance Director Holly Abercrombie nor HR Director Mark Putnam were present.

1. Call to Order- Chairman Reynolds

2. Public Comment- None

3. Reading and Approval of Minutes
   a. Finance Committee Meeting: December 14, 2020

      Action: Councilwoman Kuzniar made a motion to approve the minutes with Chairman Reynolds seconding.

      Vote: The vote was unanimous (2-0).

4. Reports or Communications from City Officers
   a. City Administrator Brandon Madden
      i. Budget Review

         The budget is on par with last year.

   b. Finance Director Holly Abercrombie
      i. Budget Review

   c. HR Director Mark Putnam
      i. Health Insurance Open Enrollment

5. Unfinished Business

   a. Amendment to Standing Committee Rules

      Mr. Madden said other municipalities have a special called council meeting or workshop if there are multiple executive sessions instead of holding the sessions during committee meetings. This might help mitigate the length of the committee meetings.

      Chairman Reynolds said he wanted to maintain flexibility as well with called meetings. Mr. Madden said it would be council's pleasure as to how they want to handle this.

      Councilwoman Kuzniar said she thinks it would be better to have executive sessions on a different night so that committee meetings wouldn't run so long. Chairman Reynolds said he would like Councilwoman King to weigh in as well. This could be brought back to

committee next month.

Councilwoman Kuzniar said she is also fine with holding committee meetings in the courtroom unless the Chair wanted to hold it upstairs in the conference room.

Chairman Reynolds asked for thoughts regarding emergency ordinances and allowing Council to meet and vote virtually.

Councilwoman Kuzniar said if there is only one executive session in one committee meeting, she doesn't think that would necessitate meeting on another night. Regarding the virtual vote, sometimes it is hard to hear and there could be an issue with communication. She wouldn't want the option of virtual to be permanent.

This item was held in committee.

6. New Business
There is no new business

7. Public Comment- None

8. Committee Concerns- None

9. Adjournment- Chairman Reynolds adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk