

HUDSONVILLE CITY COMMISSION

City Commission Minutes

December 13, 2022

Mayor Northrup called the work session of the Hudsonville City Commission to order on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Northrup, Commissioners Bolhuis, Brandsen, DeVree, Groot, Leerar, Nyitray (6:15 PM), Interim City Manager Garcia, Human Resources Director Rabineau and City Clerk Gruppen.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

9891. None.

NEW BUSINESS

Administration

9892. Community Center/Library Concept Proposals.

The Library Ad-hoc Committee, represented at the meeting by Don VanDoeselaar, received three proposals from architectural/design firms to create concept drawings for the proposed new Community Center/Library. The ad-hoc committee expects the budget of a new building to be around \$12 million so grants will be needed to help fund the construction. Committee members have discussed the possibility of FEMA grants with others in the community and think there is a good chance the City could be awarded one of the grants; especially if there is dedicated storm shelters for the community in the building. VanDoeselaar explained the FEMA grant process to City Commissioners and answered related questions.

The ad-hoc committee recommends using Progressive|ae as the architect to create the concept drawings when the time is right for that. Commissioners and staff suggested adding Emergency Management Director Dahl to the Library ad-hoc committee to help with any FEMA grant and storm shelter related items.

9893. City Manager Candidate Discussion.

Discussion was held on the Open House and conversations that Commissioners had with staff and community members. Mayor Northrup asked Commissioners and staff present to give their choice for City Manager. Human Resources Director Rabineau thanked Commissioners for taking staff thoughts and preferences into consideration for this decision. Commissioners considered both choices at length, but consensus ended with wishing to extend the conditional offer to Tyler Dotson.

ADJOURNMENT

9894. Mayor Northrup adjourned the work session at 6:59 PM.

Jill Gruppen
Hudsonville City Clerk

Mayor Northrup

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