

City Council Work Session

5:30 PM
Council Chambers
November 19, 2018

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor/Council (please check) x Cole, x Cromley, x Yakawich, Brewster,
x Ewalt, x Joy, x Friedel, x Gibbs, x Ronning, x Clark, x Brown.

CM excused: Brewster absent

ADJOURN TIME: 6:40 pm

Agenda

TOPIC #1	Census 2020: Job Recruitment
PRESENTER	Jeri Bucy
NOTES/OUTCOME	<p>Lora Mattox, Planner – Introduction.</p> <p>Jeri Bucy - Power point presentation, importance of Census.</p> <p>Tatianna Phipps – Power Point presentation, job opportunities.</p> <p>Mary Crandle – Montana Census lead representative, State Department of Commerce.</p> <p>Mayor – how to determine under and over count. Ms. Crandle - computer modeling. Spends 2 years reviewing information for accuracy after census complete.</p> <p>Mayor – counting illegal aliens impacting Montana. Ms. Crandle - questions on census literature if adequate time for reforming questionnaire.</p> <p>Ronning – 5 tribes of Montana, US does not have great history with Native Americans, why should tribes supply information? Ms. Bucy – money goes to where citizens are. Entire history of census, only 1 incident of data being shared. Very diligent and careful.</p> <p>Joy – Self responding with internet, how do you verify? Ms. Bucy - code sent ahead of time, other means to verify if no code present. Identify every possible residence with technology.</p> <p>Cromley – mentions <i>Billings Gazette</i> article and need for jobs. Ms. Phipps, phone number 406-861-9546.</p> <p>Ronning – reach out to city wide task forces, western native voice.</p> <p>Joy – website ROAM, what are obstacles for people not responding? Ms. Crandle – renters, low income, lack of resources etc.</p> <p>Ronning – questions only being offered in English, not in every language.</p>

- **Public Comment:**
None

TOPIC #2	Council Discussion
PRESENTER	<p>Ronning – some Councilmembers participated in Educator for a Day participation, McKinley School has homeless children and food insecurities, 1/3 of population participates in Boys and Girls Club ends at 6:30 pm, public transportation ends at 6:50 pm.</p> <p>Joy – MRM to continue to take in non-resident homeless during cold weather, does City have back up plans? Mayor – general policy not to take inebriated people. Asked Denise Smith, MRM, Crisis Center may be an option.</p> <p>Ronning – Crisis Center 45 beds, supports MRM in their decision, as a community need to address public safety, substance abuse connect grant.</p> <p>Mayor – did not get application in for Holiday Parade. Will not be participating.</p>
NOTES/OUTCOME	

- **Public Comment:**
None

TOPIC #3	Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda
PRESENTER	
NOTES/OUTCOME	

- None