

Urbandale City Council Minutes
April 16, 2019

The Urbandale City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at 11:45 a.m. at Urbandale City Hall, 3600 86th Street, with Mayor Robert D. Andeweg presiding. Answering roll call were the following Council Members: Mike Carver, Creighton Cox, Tom Gayman, Ron Pogge (arrived at 11:59 a.m.), and David Russell. Also present were: City Manager A.J. Johnson, Assistant City Manager/Economic Development Director Curtis Brown, Community Development Director Steve Franklin, Director of Engineering and Public Works Dave McKay, Information Technology Director James Briear, Finance Director Nicci Lamb, Fire Chief Jerry Holt, Polk County Supervisor Bob Brownell, and City Clerk Nicole Lunders.

Gayman moved, seconded by Cox to approve the Agenda as posted. On roll call, Ayes: Gayman, Cox, Carver, Pogge, Russell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Holt presented a summary on open burn regulations. Following a recent review of Iowa law, Polk County has advised that no significant changes to the open burn regulations will be made at this time.

AJ Johnson presented a brief history of the current voting system in council chambers. Nicole Lunders outlined the RFP process followed to procure bids and outlined a recommendation for Meeting Manager Pro by iCompass. Discussion included company background, system features, workflow improvements, increased productivity, reporting capabilities, increased transparency and live council meeting voting. A three year contract with iCompass will be presented to Council for consideration at the April 23, 2019 regular meeting.

AJ Johnson and Nicci Lamb presented information regarding potential local option sales and services tax (LOSST) special election vote for Urbandale residents living in Polk County. Following recent legislative changes, the surrounding cities of Alleman, Altoona, Des Moines, Pleasant Hill, West Des Moines and Windsor Heights passed LOSST in March 2019. Urbandale City Council would need to take action at the May 7, 2019 regular meeting to request the vote and on May 21, 2019 to finalize the ballot language to be considered for the August 6, 2019 election date. Discussion included election dates, deadlines, ballot language, and the roles of staff, the Mayor and City Council Members.

Cox moved, seconded by Carver to adjourn at 12:45 p.m. On roll call, Ayes: Cox, Carver, Gayman, Pogge, Russell. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Robert D. Andeweg, Mayor

Attest:

Nicole Lunders, City Clerk