

April 19, 2021

Members present: Schaber, Swanger, Meade

With a quorum present, Schaber called meeting to order at 7:56 PM.

Minutes:

Motion made by Swanger, Meade 2nd; Roll Call: Ayes – Schaber, Swanger, Meade.

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Old Business:

New Business

DISCUSSION ONLY -- City Property/Safety City Building -- Mayor/Chaffin

- a. Documents previously provided:
 - 2019 and 2020 Financial Statements
 - Association Agreement
 - ByLaws
 - Mission Statement and History
 - Tax-Exempt Status

Service Director Chaffin said that she had spoke with the Law Director and have a couple of options that might be considered if the committee is interested in moving forward on this.

Mr. Daniels asked why we want to transfer ownership. Mayor Schertzer said that the board has approached the City, actually Auditor Landon, about doing this. Administration has no objections to moving forward. This action is only in response to their request. Mayor cannot recall of a similar situation in the past. They have been in the building since 1984 and paying all the bills, as well as providing a needed service to the children in our community.

Mr. Daniels does not understand why we should transfer. It is really no expense to the City. How do taxpayers win by giving the building away? Nonprofits come and go and sometimes are not viewed in the best light later on. Some do great work and consistently move forward. Other not so much. He is hesitant to get in with a nonprofit on this situation. He feels by owning building, we preserve the service they are provided moving forward. He suggests continue to offer them use of the building.

Mr. Ratliff wondered what is the advantage to the organization to take ownership of the building.

Mr. Schaber said the only thing that he could think of is that they could borrow against it. No one from the organization is here to answer that question.

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Mr. Schaber suggested a deed restriction as a possible option to ensure the intended use of the building.

Committee was in agreement to ask representative from Safety City to come to the next meeting.

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

There being no further business, Schaber adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Chairman Schaber

Clerk of Council