



COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

APPROVED MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Rick Scholl
Council President Doug Morten
Councilor Patrick Birkle
Councilor Stephen R. Topaz
Councilor Jessica Chilton

STAFF PRESENT

John Walsh, City Administrator
Kathy Payne, City Recorder
Lisa Scholl, Deputy City Recorder
Rachael Barry, Government Affairs Specialist

Jenny Dimsho, Associate Planner
Bill Monahan, City Attorney
Tina Curry, Event Coordinator

OTHERS

Jeanette Nelson	Steve Toschi
Jane Garcia	Brady Preheim
Jennifer Pugsley	Ben Tiscareno
Russ Hubbard	Art Leskowich
Mary Hubbard	Shauna Stroup

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING – 6:15 p.m.

TOPIC

1. Purchase of Used Equipment described as a Dotto Brand 120 Passenger Tram

City Administrator Walsh explained that the purchase is part of the tourism efforts to connect downtown and uptown. We've done a good job of getting people here but also need to move them around. It will improve a circulation pattern. They haven't been able to afford something like this in the past. Thanks to E2C, they can afford one this year.

Displayed a photo of the tram. A copy is included in the archive packet for this meeting. A mechanic has looked at it and says it's a good purchase. It is funded from tourism. This will help further events. It will be City-owned.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

6:20pm

♦ Brady Preheim. Why haven't you already done it? Tourism generated the money. How can you not give it to her?

♦ Steve Toschi. It's a great idea. Moving people around in town will help them enjoy more amenities. This will allow them to add more parking off-site. Looks great. Looks like fun.

- ◆ Jeanette Nelson. Looks fantastic. She just visited Charleston, North Carolina, where they offer historic tours on horses and buggies. It gives a small-town feel.

Councilor Chilton reported that they did receive cost, maintenance, and a usage plan.

- ◆ Shauna Stroup. Where will people park to access the tram?

Mayor Scholl said there will probably be multiple locations to be picked up and transported. Shauna said it would be a great opportunity to move parking and get people down here.

- ◆ Ben Tiscareno. Thanked the Council for this process. The tram is a great idea. It's definitely a need. Tina has done a great job. He appreciates the support of the contractor and tourism advocates.

- ◆ Art Leskowich. Gave a thumbs up.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING – 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Scholl, Deputy City Recorder.

ATTEST:

/s/ Kathy Payne
Kathy Payne, City Recorder

/s/ Rick Scholl
Rick Scholl, Mayor