
CITY OF SEDRO-WOOLLEY

Council Study Session
September 2, 2020
Via Teleconference

The study session was called to order by Mayor Johnson at 4:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Mayor Julia Johnson, Councilmembers: JoEllen Kesti, Glenn Allen, Jared Couch, Chuck Owen, Karl de Jong, ,Brendan McGoffin and Brenda Kinzer. Staff Members: Planning Director John Coleman, City Supervisor/Finance Director Doug Merriman, Public Works Director Mark Freiberger, Police Chief Tucker, Fire Chief Klinger, IT Director Bill Chambers. Department Supervisors: WWTP – Kevin Wynn, Public Works Operations – Nathan Salseina, Solid Waste – Leo Jacobs and Finance – Jill Scott.

City Council Review of Goals and Objectives

Mayor Johnson led a discussion of the City Council Goals and Work Plan by reviewing the 2019 document. Key goals from the 2019 plan were:

1. Expand public safety services in and around Sedro-Woolley
2. Promote economic development
3. Improve city infrastructure
4. Enhance the city's parks and provide recreational opportunities

Council discussion was held regarding the goals and a review of the action steps with a consensus of the Council on additional action items for consideration under the category's as discussed.

Department Introductions: 2021-2022 Budget

City Supervisor/Finance Director Doug Merriman led a presentation regarding the 2021-2022 Budget. Department Directors and Department Supervisors presented a synopsis of their department functions, department goals and objectives, staffing and equipment needs and funding needs.

Council inserted department specific questions as presentations were being given.

City Supervisor/Finance Director Merriman discussed the importance of revenue projections, property taxes and maintaining adequate fund balances.

Open Public Meeting Video Training

A video regarding the Open Public Meeting Act produced by the State of Washington was viewed by Council and meeting attendees. The training video is part of the state required training for all Councilmembers.

The study session adjourned at 6:00 P.M.