

**Work Session, Douglas City Council
February 10, 2022**

A Work Session of the Douglas City Council was held on February 10, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 101 N. 4th Street, Douglas, Wyoming.
Councilmembers Present: Mayor René Kemper, Councilperson Kim Pexton, Councilperson Ron McNare, Councilperson Monty Gilbreath, and Councilperson John Bartling.

Also Present: Jonathan Teichert, City Administrator; Chaz Schumacher, City Clerk; John Harbarger, Director of Public Works; Mary Nicol, City Treasurer/Administrative Services Director; Clara Chaffin, Community Development Director; Todd Byerly, Douglas Police Chief; Gary Schwarz, IT Director; Mike Armstrong, City Attorney.

Discussion Regarding Visionary Fiber Lease Agreement: Administrator Teichert introduced Greg Worthen, representing Visionary Broadband, and his presentation on a possible fiber lease agreement. Mr. Worthen opened the floor for discussion regarding options for moving forward with the existing fiber line the city installed and if an agreement is possible, Visionary will need to know soon so they can determine which projects they move forward with. Discussion followed regarding the existing fiber line, how Visionary would integrate its use, and options for management of the fiber line. Direction given to have Gary Schwarz and Mr. Worthen survey the junction boxes installed for the existing fiber line and for Visionary to possibly submit an amended proposal. **Discussion Regarding Administrator Vacancy:** Mayor Kemper thanked Mary Nicol for sending out the applications, interview questions, and information. **Review of City Council Agenda for February 14, 2022:** Administrator Teichert provided an overview of the upcoming regular city council meeting agenda. Councilperson McNare asked for more information about the budget amendment. Teichert provided a breakdown of the amendment: grant writing and architectural services for an American Rescue Plan Act Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant; Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Fund Grant; COPS Grant; Winter Placemaking Grant; Wyoming Community Gas Project; Pickleball Courts; Trees and Dumpsters. Discussion regarding the PD Body Cameras bid award. PD Chief Byerly made a request to the council for an extended maintenance agreement term of 5 years, it would increase the bid to just over \$53,000. Teichert stated this would require an additional budget amendment. Consensus to move forward with the extended maintenance agreement. **Administrator's Report:** Administrator Teichert informed the council the elevator is currently being serviced and is out of order and will likely be out of order for the regular city council meeting, we may need to advertise this information for if someone needs accommodations. **City Councilmembers Updates:** Councilperson Bartling inquired into the surface type of the pickle ball court, discussion followed regarding the donation by Don Irwin for the new pickle ball courts, they will be named after him and signage will be installed. Additional discussion regarding the administrator's report and the upcoming schedule of meetings with local entities and the upcoming WAM conference. Teichert stated his last day will be March 24th, 2022. Councilperson McNare stated he would like to move forward with the community center discussions, brief discussion followed. **Adjourn – No further discussion and the Work Session was adjourned at approximately 4:51 p.m.**


Chaz Schumacher, City Clerk

