

-City of Eldridge City Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

The City of Eldridge, Iowa, City Council met in an open Committee of the Whole session at Eldridge City Hall at 6:00 pm on April 1, 2024.

Council Members Present: Scott Campbell, Dan Collins, Brian Dockery and Ryan Iossi. Adrian Blackwell arrived at 6:01 pm.

Presiding: Mayor Frank King

Also Present: Nevada Lemke, Jeff Martens, Martha Nieto, Marty O'Boyle, Mark Ridolfi and Craig Gehrls

Motion by Campbell to approve the agenda. Second by Dockery. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

New Business

A. Discussion on requiring annual training and orientation for the City Council and Board/Commission members.

Councilman Iossi spoke about the need and benefits of training. He suggested the city provide and make the training mandatory for Council and Board members, especially Chapter 21 & 22. Several training options were discussed such as Saturday morning retreats, online training or a once-a-year training offered by the City Attorney

B. Discussion and consideration to approve engaging Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. to prepare and establish Amendment No.2 to the Eldridge Multi-Residential Urban Revitalization Plan

Administrator Lemke spoke to the Council on the request from Miller Development who will be developing a parcel at 6th and Franklin's to expand the city's URTE zone to include this particular parcel as this would allow them to qualify for certain tax credit/exemptions. Lemke pointed out to the Council that the development would be a 130 unit with a cost of \$8.1M. The development will be completed in three phases. First phase starting in September and completed by May 2025, second phase would start in April 2025 and would be completed in January or February 2026, the last phase would start September 2025 and would be completed in May of 2026.

The Council agreed to discuss this development further after more details were provided to them.

Administrator Lemke will have Ahlers & Cooney draft a Letter of Engagement and will provide the Council with the original URTE amendment.

Motion by Dockery to adjourn at 6:21pm. Second by Iossi. Motion was approved.

Unanimously by voice vote

Submitted by Martha Nieto, City Clerk