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Members present

Sharon Bushor, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Karen Paul, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon

Absent

Selene Colburn, Vince Brennan, Rachel Siegel, Tom Ayres, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Bianka Legrand

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

1. Agenda

The agenda was accepted as presented.

2. Public Questions

Information: 2.01 Approval of School Budget for Fiscal Year 2016, Burlington School Department (up to 10 mins.)

Nathan Lavery and Howard Smith, School District, presented on the School Budget.

Information: 2.02 Authorizing The School District to Establish A Fund to Relocate Its Horizons and On-top Programs, Meet Other Infrastructure Needs, and Deposit The Proceeds from The Leasing of The Taft School Building Into This Fund, Burlington School Department (up to 10 mins.)

Nathan Lavery, Schools, gave a presentation on the item.

Information: 2.03 Pledging The Credit of The City to Secure Indebtedness for Public Improvements Within The Downtown TIF District, City Attorney's Office (up to 10 mins.)

Peter Owens and Kirsten Merriman-Shapiro, CEDO, gave a presentation on the ballot item.

Information: 2.04 Proposed Charter Changes Concerning Reserve Funds, City Attorney's Office (up to 10 mins.)





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CAO Bob Rusten gave a presentation on the ballot item.

Information: 2.05 Proposed Charter Changes to Allow Noncitizens to Serve on City Boards and as All City Department Heads, City Attorney's Office (up to 10 mins.)

City Attorney Blackwood presented on the ballot item.

Information: 2.06 Non-U.S. Citizens Right to Vote in Vermont Municipal and School Elections, City Attorney's Office (up to 10 mins.)

City Attorney Blackwood gave a presentation on the ballot question.

Councilor Hartnett inquired what the process for changing this rule would be. City Attorney Blackwood stated the legislature would have to address it over the course of two years.

Information: 2.07 Proposed Charter Changes to Make Board Terms Three Years, City Attorney's Office (up to 10 mins.)

City Attorney Blackwood presented on the ballot question.

Information: 2.08 Proposed Charter Change to Eliminate Requirement Relating to Political Affiliation for Certain City Boards, City Attorney's Office (up to 10 mins.)

City Attorney Blackwood presented on the ballot question.

Councilor Bushor noted that political affiliation will still be required for the Board for Registration of Voters.

3. Additional Time for Specific Questions if needed (up to 40 mins.)

There were no additional questions.

4. Adjournment

Without objection, City Council President Shannon adjourned the meeting at 7:37pm.