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Mr. Frie told the council the next step was to present this material to the Planning and Zoning Board and write up the plan by the end of the month. He would be scheduling Public Hearings for citizen reviews in February and a Public Hearing for Council in March. Mr. Ross was asked when council could give input for the plan. Mr. Frie said their input was welcome anytime during the process. Mr. Frie gave a short review of the proposed FEMA map for Castroville. Mr. Frie said he had attended the meeting with Mayor Lee, Mr. Painter and Mr. Lally to discuss with FEMA the proposed changes. Mayor Lee explained that FEMA was proposing changes but could not answer how they were suggesting the changes to the flood plain maps without doing surveys of the areas. Mayor Lee said the proposed map showed major changes to the Castroville area and FEMA was reviewing the concerns brought to FEMA by them.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. <u>Discuss issues concerning residential business zone changes and set workshop</u> date – Mayor Lee.

Mayor Lee said in the past the city had different attorney opinions on the issues in the buffer zone. Mayor Lee said two of the issues were how the land was used and was not zoned properly. Mayor Lee said there were concerns now and the council needed to look at redefining the zone. Mayor Lee wished to set a workshop to discuss further. A motion was made by Councilman Stuart and duly seconded by Councilman Gardner to set the date of February 19th at 6:30 p.m. for a workshop to discuss business/residential zoning changes. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all that were present.

B. Discuss and take possible action on Council Policies and Procedure Ordinance.

Councilman Gardner reviewed the city attorney's comments on the draft policies and procedure ordinance. Councilman Gardner agreed with most of the suggestions since they dealt with wording or format. Mr. Gardner along with the other council members agreed with the suggestion from Councilman Stuart to add to _XX section, if a council member is excused and quorum remains the meeting may continue. Councilman Tschirhart questioned F.3 on the removal of a council member. Mr. Tschirhart said with a majority vote a council member could be removed and he felt this could be a problem if it is politically motivated. The rest of the council did not see a problem with the section as written. The council wished to leave in the financial additions to the policies and a request that once a year the City Secretary would submit a list of passed ordinances for council to review and any ordinances needing to be re-adopted.

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A motion was made by Councilman Stuart and duly seconded by Councilwoman McVay to adopt the draft ordinance with the recommended changes and have the council receive the final document for review. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.

Mayor Lee called a recess at 9:01 p.m. Mayor Lee reconvened the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

*Mayor Lee suggested moving up 9 B. setting a joint workshop with the chamber of commerce so that Ms. Albro would not have to continue waiting.

IX. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

B. <u>Consider setting a date for a joint workshop with Council and the Chamber of Commerce to review agreements and budget – Councilman Stuart.</u>

Tot Albro, outgoing president said in the past it had usually taken at least two hours to go over the chamber budget. Ms. Albro said this budget was more in depth than before and could take longer.

A motion was made by Councilman Stuart and duly seconded by Councilman Tschirhart to set the date of January 22nd at 6:30 p.m. for a joint workshop with the chamber of commerce. A vote was taken (4:0 all ayes) the motion carried by all present.

VIII. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

C. Review information on Credit Card use for city services – Middleton.

Mr. Middleton said the information in the packets had been spoke on before and like most other credit card companies there was a fee charged for the usage. Mr. Middleton said most cities absorbed the cost of the credit card use. The council agreed they did not want to pass the cost to other customers. Mayor Lee suggested Mr. Middleton and Mr. Painter research further and return with more information for council to review at the next meeting.

D. <u>Discuss and take possible action on results of City Board and Commissions</u> survey to remain/combine or dissolve – Mayor Lee.

Mayor Lee said he had sent out a survey to all the boards and commissions asking what they thought of their boards staying separate, or combine with another or dissolve altogether. Mayor Lee said one board had already voted to dissolve and asked that they look at a new ordinance officially defining the boards.