

**CITY OF MARSHALL
WORK SESSION
M I N U T E S
Tuesday, September 10, 2024**

The work session of the Common Council of the City of Marshall was held September 10, 2024, at City Hall, 344 West Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Mayor Robert Byrnes. In addition to Byrnes the following members were in attendance: Steve Meister, Amanda Schroeder, James Lozinski, John Alcorn and See Moua-Leske. Absent: Craig Schafer. Staff present included: Sharon Hanson; City Administrator; E.J. Moberg, Director of Administrative Services; Jason Anderson, Director of Public Works/City Engineer; Pamela Whitmore, City Attorney (via Zoom); Eric Hanson, Asst. City Engineer; Preston Stensrud, Park and Rec Supervisor and Steven Anderson, City Clerk.

City of Marshall Strategic Plan

Cheryl Glaeser of Achieve Consulting presented the Strategic Plan for the City of Marshall. Glaeser reviewed the planning process and insights from respondents to a staff wide survey. Glaeser continued to talk about the cities vision & mission as well as a SWOT analysis. The strategic goals and objectives were brought up as well as promoting an action plan for the next steps.

Aquatic Center Follow Up

Jon Brown and David Locke of Stockwell Engineering informed council of the bid review follow-up. Stockwell had recommended that council reject the bids during the regular meeting. A plan revision would need to take place that would simplify and shrink some buildings as well as reducing some of the amenities. Stockwell spoke with contractors that had bid and didn't bid on the project to find out why the engineers estimate was 30% off. None of the contractors had issues with the timeframe given for the scope of the project. Labor costs, lack of skilled laborers, material costs and travel costs were major contributing factors. Councilmember Lozinski asked about redesign costs. Brown responded that there would be no additional costs to the city for the redesign. Councilmember Alcorn asked about other pool bids that had occurred the same day as Marshall's bid opening. Stockwell did reach out to some locations but didn't have any information to bring. Locke said that they hoped to have new plans in December for bidding in January, with construction in 2025 through 2026, completion at the end of 2026 with a soft opening before winter to ensure all the elements worked and then winterize. Official opening would be May of 2027. All the add options at this point would be dropped.

Adjournment

At 5:19 PM Mayor Byrnes adjourned the meeting.

Attest:

Steven Anderson, City Clerk

Robert Byrnes, Mayor