

City of St. Anthony
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Minutes

July 12, 2022

Present:

Mayor & Council

Randy Stille, Mayor, Thomas Randle, Councilmember, Jan Jenson, Councilmember, Bernard Walker, Councilmember

Staff:

Charlie Yunker, City Manager

Consultants:

Steve Grittman, City Planner

Call to Order:

Mayor Stille called the Work Session to order at 5:45 p.m.

Code Amendments:

City Planner Grittman reviewed the draft amendments to the City Code that have been compiled from the work of the staff code committee discussing challenges encountered applying the code in their day-to-day activities. This covered seven general topics of; wild animals, landscaping, fencing, right of way management, alcohol licensing, bus benches, and food trucks.

Council discussed the process for approving chickens, and members present affirmed the current process for approval. Council asked questions on, and discussed verbiage in various topics and did not make any revisions.

In-depth discussion was held on other topics; tap rooms and food trucks. Council discussed alcohol licensing for tap room “growler” off-site sales, which is newly allowable from recent code changes, on how this may impact the city-owned off-sale liquor stores. Council directed staff to get comments from the Liquor Operations Manager on expected impact.

Council discussed the existing food to alcohol ratio requirement in the code, and directed staff to examine the applicability and necessity of that requirement.

Council discussed the food truck topic on how to avoid unfair competition with established, “brick and mortar” restaurants. Council discussed exploring identifying certain areas food trucks can operate to avoid unfair competition.

Staff will integrate the Council feedback into the draft that will be presented to the Planning Commission for their input, before coming back to Council and a regular meeting for consideration.

Edible Cannabinoids:

City Manager Yunker reviewed the initial guidance from the League of Minnesota Cities on the new law effective July 1, 2022 legalizing some forms of edible THC's. Regulation is left to cities to determine, and staff asked Council their thoughts on where the City should go in terms of regulation.

Council discussed the topic, and consensus of the members present was to pass an interim ordinance that would establish a moratorium to allow time for further study. Still will add that to the July 26, 2022 regular Council Meeting agenda.

Future Work Sessions:

Next Work Sessions will be held on July 26th, 2022, at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Charlie Yunker, City Manager.