

January 21, 2020

The City Council of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met in informal work session, Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor AbouAssaly presiding and the following council members present: Atkins, Jensen, Brandt and Strnad. Absent: Draper and Gadelha.

Chamber of Commerce President Jill Ackerman reviewed the Chamber initiatives of Member Retention, Professional Development Programming, Tourism, ImagiNEXT initiatives, Main Street Program and Operations. She also provided an update regarding the Creekside Pride initiative.

MEDCO President Nick Glew provided information regarding a request for Council to approve a one year extension to the Development Agreement with PDS Investments, LLC as well as a request for additional public parking in the area.

Monica Allen, PhD with Insight Performance Management outlined the activities to date in relation to the strategic plan process. The vision, brand promise and values were discussed. Strategic Plan focus areas were discussed and Council provided clarification for some goals. The final plan will come back to Council in March for approval and adoption.

Council discussed the agenda items for Thursday night's meeting with no action taken.

Other Department Discussion:

Community Development Director Tom Treharne reviewed the Marion Historical Preservation Commission Goals and Objectives.

Finance Director Lianne Cairy provide Council with a Quarterly Financial Report and reviewed the report.

Mayor AbouAssaly adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

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Nicolas AbouAssaly, Mayor

Attest:

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Rachel Bolender, City Clerk

The undersigned City Clerk of Marion, Iowa certifies that the minutes shown immediately above were published in the Marion Times on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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Rachel Bolender, City Clerk