

April 21, 2020

The City Council of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met in informal work session, Tuesday, April 21, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall with Mayor AbouAssaly presiding and the following council members present: Atkins, Jensen, Brandt, Gadelha and Strnad. Absent: None. (Council Member At Large seat is currently vacant)

Based on COVID-19 guidance from Linn County Public Health and the State of Iowa to limit the size of groups gathering, this meeting was held electronically. The agenda and City's website provided instructions on how others could participate in the meeting.

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

Other Department Discussion:

The Marion Uptown Master Plan was discussed. Community Development Director Tom Treharne stated next steps include an update to the plan, establishment of a blueprint for action to implement plan, create conceptual and detailed design drawings, conduct a formal parking study for Uptown and develop conceptual design for plaza. Staff hope to place contract approval on next agenda.

The Council Member At Large Vacancy was discussed. City Clerk Rachel Bolender clarified the appointment will take place at the first in-person meeting after the Governor's Emergency Declaration and suspension of state requirements to fill vacancy have been lifted. At this time the appointment would take place at the May 7 Council meeting. Council also discussed format of the interviews after receiving letter from legal counsel with recommendations.

Mayor AbouAssaly adjourned the meeting at 5:54 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