



MINUTES

City Council Special Session

5:00 PM - Wednesday, June 30, 2021
City Hall, 1225 6th Avenue

The City Council of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met in special session, on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at 5:00 PM, in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 1225 6th Avenue, with the following members present:

PRESENT: Grant Harper, Steve Jensen, Nicolas AbouAssaly, Will Brandt, and Rene Gadelha

ABSENT: Colette Atkins and Randy Strnad

Mayor AbouAssaly presided over the meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA

Overview of the MPO Assessment

Patti Seda with Patti Seda Consulting reviewed the MPO Assessment process and observations in her interviews with City Council and the leadership team.

Discussion Regarding the City Manager Candidate Profile

Patti Seda reviewed a proposed job and candidate profile. Seda outlined the next steps including selection process and onboarding steps. Council Member Jensen asked for clarification about the experience and qualification section in regards to the city management experience with a preferred population of 60,000 or more. Council were all in favor of removing the preferred population. Council Member Harper asked about the evaluation of candidates and what tools will be used. Seda stated that will be part of the due diligence performance and should be handled by search firm. Council Member Gadelha asked that a statement be added to the purpose statement that the job should be done through a lens of fiscal responsibility and transparency. Seda stated transparency should be further defined. Council Member Harper asked about the business relationship section and the escalation of appeals.

ADJOURN

Mayor AbouAssaly adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Nicolas AbouAssaly, Mayor

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__.

Rachel Bolender, City Clerk