

**Work Session, Douglas City Council
November 4, 2021**

A Work Session of the Douglas City Council was held on November 4, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 101 N. 4th Street, Douglas, Wyoming.
Councilmembers Present: Mayor René Kemper, Councilperson John Bartling, Councilperson Kim Pexton, Councilperson Ron McNare, and Councilperson Monty Gilbreath

Also Present: Jonathan Teichert, City Administrator; Chaz Schumacher, City Clerk; John Harbarger, Director of Public Works; Mary Nicol, City Treasurer/Administrative Services Director; Clara Chaffin, Community Development Director; Todd Byerly, Douglas Police Chief; Scott & Jacey Bauman, Mainstreet Douglas; Cindy Stimson, Douglas Budget.

Discussion Regarding Pocket Park – Main Street of Douglas: Jacey Bauman, representing Main Street of Douglas, stated they are following up with previous conversations regarding the pocket park and conveying ownership to the city. Main Street will need to know for certain as they are applying for grants this winter. Discussion followed regarding previous conversations. Council confirmed the city's intention to take ownership of the park once the upgrades are completed. **Discussion Regarding Recreation Master Plan Scope of Services RFP:** Councilperson Gilbreath inquired into the purpose of this study and what we want to gain from it that we don't already know. Mayor Kemper stated it would be to determine what the community wants for community space. Councilperson Bartling stated this would not be related to recreational programming, it would be regarding just a community space and determining what the community wants. Discussion followed regarding the need for a survey and what the goals are for moving forward. Administrator Teichert stated there may be an opportunity with the Build-Back-Better Grant, we could hold off on the RFP until after discussions occur regarding the grant. Council was agreeable to delaying a decision on the RFP. **Discussion Regarding Ordinance No. 1011 – an ordinance updating ULDC language in the code:** Administrator Teichert introduced the ordinance. Councilperson McNare inquired into the language impacting the locations of Airbnb's within 1,000 feet of school property. Community Development Director Chaffin stated the existing conditional uses for short term rentals such as Airbnb's would be grandfathered in, new ones would not be allowed in accordance with the new language. Discussion followed regarding the ordinance updates. **Review of Regular City Council Agenda for November 8, 2021:** Administrator Teichert provided an overview of the upcoming agenda items. Chaffin stated the Historic Preservation Commission would like to attend Monday night's council meeting in regard to the proposed Bozeman Trail dedication, brief discussion followed. **Council Reports:** No updates were provided. **Administrator's Report:** Administrator Teichert provided an update regarding federal and state requirements for the vaccine and how that could impact the city, discussion followed regarding the same. Councilperson Bartling inquired into when the Pearson Street Project will be ready for bid, Public Works Director Harbarger stated it should be fairly quick once it goes through DEQ. Councilperson Pexton inquired into the lights at Windriver Drive and Richards and if any additional modifications would be made, discussion followed. Councilperson Gilbreath stated he will not be present at Monday night's meeting. **Adjourn – No further discussion and the Work Session was adjourned at approximately 5:02 p.m.**

Chaz Schumacher, City Clerk