

City Council

Special Meeting Minutes

January 31, 2023
City Hall, Spruce Room
749 Main Street
5:00 PM

Call to Order – Mayor Maloney called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. **Roll Call** was taken and the following members were present:

City Council: **Mayor Dennis Maloney**
 Mayor Pro Tem Deborah Fahey
 Councilmember Caleb Dickinson (attended remotely)
 Councilmember Chris Leh
 Councilmember Maxine Most

Staff Present: **Meredyth Muth, City Clerk**

DISCUSSION OF INTERVIEW QUESTIONS & PROCESS

Members reviewed proposed interview questions for the Ward 3 applicants, made edits, and finalized the questions.

WARD 3 APPLICANT INTERVIEWS

Members interviewed seven applicants for City Council Ward 3 vacancies.

- Justin Solomon
- Sherry Sommer
- Katie Zoss
- Rocky Riviera
- Greg Maring
- Dietrich Hoefner
- Barbara Hamlington

The Council asked questions about their interest in serving on the City Council; their knowledge of the community; working with constituents; working as a board; land use processes; how to foster equity, diversity, and inclusion in the community; and long-range community issues.

DISCUSSION

Members discussed the applicants' qualifications and merits and deliberated about the choices.

Mayor Maloney stated he feels they have very good qualified candidates and the Council should fill both positions from this pool rather than going out for a second round of applications. Councilmember Dickinson and Mayor Pro Tem Fahey agreed.

Members each identified their top two candidates. There was consensus to appoint Ms. Hamlington to one seat. Four members felt Mr. Hoefner should be appointed to the second seat while Councilmember Most felt the second seat should go to Ms. Sommer. Members discussed their thoughts on the candidates. Council will vote on the appointments at the February 7 meeting.

ADJOURN

Members adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Dennis Maloney, Mayor

Meredyth Muth, City Clerk