MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

City Hall, 220 Clay Street May 6, 2024

The meeting of the Committee of the Whole met at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on May 6, 2024, with the following Committee persons in attendance: Mayor Daniel Laudick, Councilmembers Chris Latta, Daryl Kruse, Aaron Hawbaker, Dustin Ganfield, Hannah Crisman, and Kelly Dunn. Absent: Gil Schultz. Staff members from various City Departments and members of the community attended in person.

Committee of the Whole:

Mayor Laudick called the meeting to order and introduced the first item on the Committee of the Whole Agenda, Cedar Falls Economic Development Corporation (CFEDC) Update with Jim Brown, CFEDC Executive Director Jim Brown. Brown gave an update that included future growth, continuation of stakeholder communication, business engagement opportunities, and housing initiatives. Councilmembers discussed housing initiatives, lot costs, City development improvement processes, and the CFEDC contract with the city.

Mayor Laudick introduced the second item on the Committee of the Whole Agenda, Council conflict of interest form. Human Resources Manager Bailey Schindel provided an overview of the importance of the conflict of interest form for elected officials and the revisions requested by Council. Councilmembers discussed potential conflicts of interests that may arise, generated income, review of other cities' forms, Code of Iowa Sections 68B.2A and 362.5, Boards and Commissions, and recommended simplifying section 2 (employment). City Attorney Rogers stated legally they can't make anyone complete the conflict of interest form, but it is recommended for disclosure to the public about any potential conflicts. Councilmembers directed staff to bring a finalized conflict of interest form to an upcoming Council meeting. Ayes: Dunn, Crisman, Latta, Hawbaker. Nays: Ganfield, Kruse.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes by Shianne Bellinger, Administrative Assistant