



CITY OF INDIANOLA COUNCIL STUDY MEETING

October 18, 2021

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers

Minutes

The Indianola City Council met in study session at 6:55 p.m. Elected officials in attendance were Council Members Hulen, Parker, Kling, Schroder (via phone), Southall and Marchant and Mayor Pepper. Staff in attendance were: Ryan Waller, Andy Lent, Jackie Raffety, Michelle Patrick, Doug Bylund, Akhilesh Pal, Charlie Dissell and Doug Bylund.

Library Director Michele Patrick presented the Library's Annual Report. Highlights of the report include:

- User increase over the last 5 years, including 2020 when the library was shut down for 10 weeks due to COVID-19.
- More books are checked out than e-books.
- Nearly \$1.2 million in CIP repairs are necessary to keep the library functioning. This does not include any upgrades or added features.
- The building is too small for a community of our size. If our building was appropriately sized, we could have more items in circulation and more programs and services would be offered.

Council stated the library has a great staff that provides quality services and programs. A new building is clearly needed to meet the needs of our community. There is a lot of major maintenance that needs to be done.

City Clerk/CFO Andrew Lent presented the five-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Highlights from the presentation include:

- CIP Policy
- Benefits of a CIP (the City did not have one 6 years ago)
- Vehicle and Equipment CIP
- Infrastructure CIP - General Fund, Streets, Sanitary Sewer and Storm Water Utility
- Funding matrixes for CIP Funds

In discussion with Council, traffic counts were discussed.

The study session was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.