



CITY OF INDIANOLA COUNCIL STUDY MEETING

May 15, 2023

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers
110 N 1st Street, Indianola,
Iowa Minutes

Bravo Annual Update

The Indianola City Council met in study session at 6:00 PM on May 15, 2023, in the City Hall Council Chambers. The following members were present: Christina Beach, John Parker, Ron Dalby, Steve Richardson, Gwen Schroder, Josh Rabe, Mayor Erickson. Absent: None.

Indianola Bravo Representative Bob Kling stated Bravo has helped Indianola's Des Moines Metro Opera and Carousel Theater. Bravo president Sally Dix presented Bravo's annual update. Michael Egle, General and Artistic Director of DMMO discussed the 2023 Opera Season and provided the 2022 economic impact study.

Wellness Facility Transition Update

City Manager Ben Reeves gave an update on the Wellness Facility Transition. On the regular meeting agenda tonight, Council will be asked to consider the formation of the Board of Trustees and naming the facility the Indianola Wellness Campus; and approving a software contract for membership services. The Council discussed a seven-year contract. Upon final consideration of the ordinance, there will be a list of names from the Mayor to appoint to the Board.

City Manager Reeves proposed a 501c3 designation for the IWC instead of joining with the Park Friends. The Council would like to have a 501c3 for the IWC.

Public Safety Building Bond Referendum Discussion

City Manager Reeves discussed the pros and cons of a bond referendum in 2023 or 2024.

The Council discussed the pros and cons of each date, construction contracts, and if the library project should be on the ballot at the same time. The consensus was to have a referendum in 2024. They would like to see a timeline and potential contractors.

Discussion regarding upcoming agenda items from within the regular May 15, 2023, City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m.

No discussion.

The study session adjourned at 6:54 PM.