



CITY OF INDIANOLA COUNCIL STUDY MEETING

January 16, 2024

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers
110 N 1st St., Indianola, IA
Minutes

Discussion regarding an ordinance pertaining to fats, oil, and grease (FOG) discharge by food service establishments.

Jared Keenan, WRRF Superintendent, discussed the benefits of a proposed ordinance pertaining to fats, oil and grease discharge by food service establishments. Tim Little, Building Official, provided additional details on the FOG program.

Discussion and direction regarding the spring and fall cleanup program.

Akhilesh Pal, Public Works Director, discussed the costs of the spring and fall cleanup programs and asked for Council direction on what the programs should look like in 2024 and beyond. Council discussed different options, including no fall clean up, spring cleanup at the brush facility, and increasing recycling fees to cover the increase in program prices. Council asked staff to come back with a proposed ordinance for a recycling increase and the amount of tonnage collected in spring.

Discussion regarding upcoming agenda items from within the regular January 16 City Council meeting at 7:00 PM.

The Council decided Council representation on the following committees:

Greater Des Moines Convention Center - Steve Armstrong

South Central Iowa Landfill Board - Mellisa Sones, Steve Armstrong

Warren County Economic Development Corporation - Josh Rabe

Watershed Management - Josh Rabe (alternate)

Downtown Merchants - Steve Richardson (morning meetings) and Mellisa Sones (evening meetings).

The Council also discussed the updates to the contract with Groups Creative. Councilmember Richardson stated he would give an Iowa League of Cities update during the meeting. He asked what focus the council desired for a goodwill tour; they would like a legislative and city update combination.

The study session adjourned at 6:48 PM.