

## **FIFTH MONDAY WORK SESSION OF THE GERING CITY COUNCIL, MARCH 29, 2021**

A fifth Monday Work Session of the City Council of Gering, Nebraska was held in open session on March 29, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at Gering City Hall, 1025 P Street, Gering, NE. Present were Mayor Kaufman and Councilmembers Smith, Gillen, Backus, Bohl, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison and Cowan. Councilmember Morrison was present via video/teleconference per an Executive Order issued by Governor Ricketts. Also present were City Administrator Pat Heath and City Clerk Kathy Welfl. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Star-Herald, the designated method of giving notice. All proceedings hereafter were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public except as otherwise indicated.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Kaufman called the fifth Monday Work Session to order at 4:06 p.m. and stated that there was a quorum of the Council present and City business could be conducted.

1. Roll Call

### **OPEN MEETINGS ACT - NEB.REV.STAT. CHAPTER 84, ARTICLE 14**

Mayor Kaufman stated: As required by State Law, public bodies shall make available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room. Agenda items may be moved up or down on the agenda at the discretion of the Mayor. As required by State Law, additions may not be made to this agenda less than 24 hours before the beginning of the meeting unless they are considered under this section of the agenda and Council determines that the matter requires emergency action.

### **WORK SESSION:**

#### **1. Short-term planning (one to five years)**

##### **- Priorities**

###### Short Term:

- RV Park (Robidoux Room, exits, pads, WIFI, all need updates)
- IT Infrastructure
  - Secure Data Room (basement possibly)
  - Keycard system for access and time keeping
  - IP Phone System
- Digital (customer in nature and external in nature)
  - How is customer experience
  - How we interact with the community
- Infrastructure (streets, water)
- Technology
- Equipment (autonomous, electric, etc.)
- ADA (Amphitheater, parks, streets/sidewalks)
- One and Six-year planning for all departments
- Budget – priorities/planning. Ability to fund on-going maintenance at all our venues and amenities, including equipment

##### **-Wants**

###### Short Term:

- Switch to Accrual Basis Accounting
- Library Remodel
- Golf Course/Golf Course building
- Playground equipment
- Signage (Keno, LB840)
- Asset Management (All Departments)
- Evaluate Boards & Commissions (are they meeting)
- Land Bank (abandoned properties)
- Customer survey
- Email statements
- Online scheduling
- Text messages to customers
- Bigger picture of life expectancy of equipment/vehicles – long-range replacement
- Chip/Seal streets to extend life
- Economic Development
- Focus on corridors – entrances to the city