

## February 23, 2017

A work session of the Chapman City Council was held February 23, 2017 at the Chapman City Office at 6:00pm. Council members present were Mayor Jeff Blixt, Howard Battishill, Lee Wolf, Tim Jury, and Jim Murrison. Council member Luan Sparks was absent. Also in attendance were Interim City Administrator Jay Newton and City Clerk Erin Tilton. Others in attendance were Bobby Kamm, Linda Jark-Stoffer and Thaniel Monaco.

Thaniel Monaco, City Engineer, went through some of the issues that our current wastewater treatment facility is currently facing and the future regulatory issues that it will be facing. Monaco discussed options of lagoons that the council, if that's direction they decide to go, would want to consider. The biggest change, just recently announced, was that the funding deadline, for completed applications, has now been moved up to August 1, 2017, instead of October 1, 2017.

A few potential sites have already been looked at. The lagoons in Detroit would be feasible but not ideal if other options are available, other sights would likely be more viable. The council would need to decide if they want to move forward with sight analysis. Sight analysis would analyze location and soil profiles. Monaco suggested multiple sights be looked at, owned by different owners. Make owners aware that other land is being looked at and considered. Draft an option to purchase and be upfront with the property owners from the beginning.

Mayor Blixt asked if everyone felt lagoons was the way to go. Jim Murrison is not yet convinced, not to say he won't get to that point. The biggest hesitation being the dollar amount, upfront, that would be spent on a lagoon project. Monaco explained that an updated engineering report on the various options of meeting upcoming regulations would evaluate costs of the three main options that are available. Monaco also believes that although a lagoon project will likely cost more money upfront he felt as though, in the long run, lagoons would end up being cheaper.

An additional option available to the council is to decide if they would like an evaluation done of the remainder of the sanitary system. This evaluation could be on various scales and any additional funding that is available could go towards the repair of these findings. Council members showed interest, as Monaco said that although not all findings need immediate attention, there are some that need attention sooner rather than later.

Jay Newton, Interim City Administrator, reiterated that the decision on how to move forward is a time sensitive decision with the grant deadline being moved up. The council all agreed to move forward with the update of the engineering report, roughly a \$5000 charge, and to begin sight analysis. Tim Jury and Mayor Blixt will likely meet with Monaco in the next couple of weeks to begin sight analysis and do preliminary soil reports so the report is as up-to-date as possible. The council also requested a preliminary evaluation be done of the remainder of the sanitary system from the videos that have been done by Mayer.

Monaco also requested that if the council has any questions or is wanting any additional information prior to the March 8 council meeting to let him know so it can be presented at that time.