

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
Monday, July 29, 2013

Committee of the Whole met at City Hall on Monday, July 29, 2013, at 6:00 p.m.  
at City Hall in the First Floor Hearing Room – East.

Present: Mayor Justin M. Nickels, Alderpersons Dave Soeldner, Jim Brey, Christopher Able, Jason Sladky, Scott McMeans, Eric Sitkiewitz, Tyler Martell and Jill Hennessey.

Absent: Alderperson Allan Schema and Mike Howe.

Also present: Finance Director/Treasurer Steve Corbeille, HR Generalist Jeri Johnson, Deputy City Planner Paul Braun (arrived at 6:10 p.m.), Deputy Fire Chief Todd Blaser, Deputy Clerk Deborah Neuser and Michael Stollfus, Independent Agent/Consultant for O'Donahue & Associates.

Representatives present on behalf of Holy Family Memorial were: Mary Maurer, Dr. Steven Driggers, David Yeghiaian and Shawn Daughenbaugh:

Representatives present on behalf of Modern Med were: Steven Hook, VP of Business Development, Gene Miller, President and Dr. Suzasne Gehl, Modern Med Primary Care Physician.

Council President Jill Hennessey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Committee met to hear health proposals from Modern Med and RightCare (Holy Family Memorial).

Michael Stollfus, Independent Agent/Consultant for O'Donahue & Associates Inc. spoke to the Committee outlining the steps taken by the City over the years to save money on healthcare.

Modern Med gave their presentation outlining their proposal for the City's healthcare needs. In summary, Modern Med provides an innovative program that gives each employee and dependent their own physician who provides 80+% of the care for

the patients, and personally navigates the patient through the healthcare system when necessary. Modern Med decreases medical claims costs, Rx costs, patient out-of-pocket costs and dramatically increases patient satisfaction and will not add additional cost to the City's medical plan.

Next, Dr. Steven Driggers of Holy Family Memorial for RightCare presented their goals for the City/MPU healthcare. RightCare is individualized for you, including Primary Care, Preventive Care and Urgent Care which is available 24/7/365. HFM has decreased the need for hospitalization by 43%, held outpatient procedures to only an 8% increase and adjusting for inflation, HFM decreased gross hospital charges to our community by 18%.

HR Generalist Jeri Johnson, stated that the two concepts were similar but is recommending Modern Med.

Aldersperson Christopher Able, Chair of Personnel Committee, stated that it is an interesting concept which is very new and very different. The issue is how to get employees to sign up. Alder Able stated that this option is voluntary for employees.

Discussion followed relative to the care each company has to offer and representatives answered questions. The cost of each proposal was also discussed. It was noted that this issue will be further reviewed by Personnel Committee.


Next on the agenda was discussion regarding succession planning and economic development responsibilities of the Planning Department and possible restructuring of the Planning Department as related to economic development. Committee did not go into closed session for this discussion.

The City is moving ahead with a compensation analysis. In addition, Carlson Dettman (the company doing the analysis) can provide us with a recommendation as to restructuring the Planning Department and is aware of our timeline. Committee of the

Whole will hold off on further discussion regarding the Planning Department until a recommendation is received from Carlson Dettman.

Committee of the Whole adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Aldersperson Jill Hennessey, Chairperson  
Committee of the Whole

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