

**COUNCIL PRE-MEETING**

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 5:30 p.m.  
Casper City Hall - Council Meeting Room

**AGENDA**

- 1. Sole Source Purchase Request – Plasma Cutting Table for Solid Waste
- 2. Bandwidth Logic Project
- 3. Agenda Review

Mayor Freel began the pre-meeting session at 5:30 p.m. with Councilmembers Bates, Cathey, Hopkins, Huber, Johnson, Lutz, Pacheco, Powell and Mayor Freel in attendance.

Andrew Beamer, Public Services Director, provided information about the request for the sole source purchase of a plasma cutting table for the solid waste division. Mr. Beamer addressed questions presented to him. Council provided a thumbs up for this item to be moved forward.

Tim Cortez, Parks and Recreation Manager, explained the need for better internet access at the Casper Events Center and described the contract with Bandwidth Logic for establishing a distributed antenna system at the facility. Councilmembers and City Manager Napier had questions about the logistics, duration of the contract, costs for the City which Mr. Cortez addressed.

Councilmember Huber expressed his concerns about the Long Range Transportation Plan (plan) regarding the East Belt Loop Project (project) and indicated that he would like the language pertaining to the project be changed. Councilmember Powell asked about the comments on the project by the Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT). City Manager Napier indicated that WYDOT had de-prioritized the project. Council discussed the matter briefly. Councilmember Lutz asked if the item could be tabled or amended and how Council may proceed. City Manager Napier indicated that the item could be amended and then requested that Liz Becher, Community Development Director elaborate. Ms. Becher stated that the item could be amended or tabled, but that tabling the item may hold up federal funding for other projects. She further indicated that the project is still listed in the plan and that our comments can be noted or some language can be struck from the plan. Councilmember Bates asked if any amendments would clearly be from the City of Casper versus individual citizens of Casper. Ms. Becher clarified that it would be stated as the governing body requesting the changes. Councilmember Powell asked if Councilmember Huber knew what language he would like to use. Councilmember Huber indicated that he did.

Mayor Freel adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Fleur Tremel  
City Clerk

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Steven K. Freel  
Mayor