

**Coralville City Council  
Work Session  
June 14, 2022  
City Hall**

Present: Mayor Meghann Foster, Council Members Mike Knudson, Hai Huynh, Keith Jones

Staff Present: City Administrator Kelly Hayworth, Deputy City Administrator Ellen Habel, City Attorney Kevin Olson, Finance Director Tony Roetlin

Mayor Foster opened the meeting at 8:35 pm.

1. Draft of Pedestrian Safety Ordinance: City Attorney Kevin Olson distributed copies of the draft pedestrian safety ordinance that were in the City Council packet. Olson noted the ACLU had sent a notice earlier this year that panhandling or soliciting is free speech and protected as such. Olson said the draft ordinance repeals the existing ordinance and is modeled after a City of Des Moines ordinance. Olson continued that the ordinance only allows crossing in crosswalks and pointed out pedestrian safety and the fact that studies have shown that approximately 40% of pedestrians struck by a vehicle traveling 30 mph will die when being hit by a vehicle compared to 2% of pedestrians will die when hit at a speed of 20 mph or lower. Olson said the draft would allow standing in medians only when the median is 10 feet or wider. Olson referenced a list of intersections in the draft ordinance where standing, sitting, or staying on the median is prohibited. City Administrator Kelly Hayworth said the ordinance will be considered on the next City Council agenda.

2. City Administrator's Time: Hayworth provided updates on the following:
- The pay scale for the police department has been adjusted to ensure that beginning patrol officer pay is in the top one-third in the state; to extend it so officers are rewarded for remaining in their positions; and to address the shrinking gap between officer pay and starting sergeant pay. Hayworth said he would send more information on this in the next week, and also noted that of the four candidates who had been approved by the Civil Service Commission, one remains, and if that person is hired, there will still be five vacancies in the department. Hayworth said there would be testing for officers again in July and the scarcity of officers is an issue nationally.
  - University of Iowa Research Park, ICAD, and economic development projects and discussions.

Adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Notes taken by Ellen Habel, Deputy City Administrator