

## **Coralville City Council**

### **Work Session**

**April 27, 2021**

**Via Electronic Meeting because a meeting in person is impossible or impractical due to concerns for the health and safety of Council members, staff, and the public presented by COVID-19**

Present: Mayor John Lundell; Council Members Laurie Goodrich, Meghann Foster, Jill Dodds, Hai Huynh

Staff Present: City Administrator Kelly Hayworth, Assistant City Administrator Ellen Habel, City Attorney Kevin Olson, Library Director Alison Ames Galstad

Mayor Lundell opened the meeting at 8:15 pm.

1. May Planning and Zoning Submittals: This item was removed from the agenda.
  
2. Library Department Report: Library Director Alison Ames Galstad presented a report for her department, including a review of services during the pandemic. She noted meeting rooms remain closed to the public; e-materials circulation is up from 18% prior to the pandemic to 35% to 40% of circulation now; and physical materials are at about 65% of their usual amount, with 10,000 items per month checked out. Galstad said they quarantine materials for 24 hours upon return and currently about 480 visitors per month browse in the library. She noted Jon Hines from CoralVision has produced very high quality videos for children's programs and the craft-to-go program has been very popular. Galstad said there are 220 computer lab usage visits per month and they are planning outdoor children's programming this summer and expanding access starting June 1. She noted express computer usage is currently in the coffee shop area.
  
3. City Administrator's Time: Hayworth reported on the following:
  - The Shuttered Venue application for the CCPA has been submitted for \$178,000.
  - There have been challenges staffing at DIVOTS and in many businesses in the community.
  - He and Director of Parks and Recreation Sherri Proud are reviewing the summer camps and BASP for staffing needs and want to stay flexible.
  - Assistant City Administrator Ellen Habel reported the city-level Census data won't be available until mid-August at the earliest.
  - Streets Superintendent Eric Fisher is looking at options for the recycling site, and has suggested moving recycling into the existing Streets facility and building a new Streets facility to alleviate crowding there.

Councilor Goodrich inquired about a bridge from Applewood to the junior high property. Hayworth responded that is all school property and at their discretion, and also that not all of the residents agree it would be desirable.

Councilor Huynh inquired about adding the fees for chickens to the ordinance. Hayworth responded that is avoided so the ordinance doesn't have to be updated every time the fees change.

Hayworth said the first Citizens Community Policing Review Board meeting is expected to be in June.

Mayor Lundell said the council will review meeting in person at the next meeting.

Adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Notes taken by Ellen Habel, Assistant City Administrator