The Clarion City Council met in special session on Tuesday January 22th, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers with Mayor Duane Asbe presiding. Council members Dave Maxheimer, Dan Hennigar, Jim Williams, Teresa Lancaster and Andy Young were present. In addition, the City Administrator Jordan Cook, Police Chief Steve Terhark, Fire Chief Gene Rosenbaum, Ambulance Director Tiffon Willey, Library Director Linda Lloyd, Recreation Director Scott Simmons, Deputy Clerks Lisa Hanson and Trisha Barz. Wright County Economic Development Director Cindy Litwiller arrived about 4 pm.

Mayor Asbe called the meeting to order and asked the Council if there were any conflicts of interest, none were reported. There were no citizens present to address the Council. Mayor Asbe turned the meeting over to Teresa Lancaster to facilitate the goal setting session.

Lancaster divided the group into 4 groups with each group working on goals for one particular need. The groups read through the survey results and identified areas where goals could be set and related the goals to values previously set. Below is a summary of what the groups came up with.

**Housing**: Rosenbaum, Maxheimer and Williams

Increase of affordable units- what the city has for options, twin homes, current residents transitioning to newer-opening up the older; find contractors for building,

Dilapidated or demolishing houses (4) per year- renovation, finding funding sources, open up houses after renovation; spec homes (Webbs)- Values aligned with-Education, safety, Social responsibility

Apartments- volume

Enforcing units-rental inspection again, hold property to livable standards- goal to have properties removed or demolished; get rental ordinance updated July 1. Values aligned to Social responsibility, safety, education;

Renovating upper apartment’s downtown

New housing incentive- other incentives available

**Quality of Life- Amenities**: Asbe, Barz, Lloyd, Simmons

Sidewalks to connect schools-goal= get map of sidewalks needed to be replaced or built, rules and regulations of sidewalks, start a conversation with Dr. Bob about sidewalk connection- Values aligned to- Safety, education, social responsibility

trails-connectivity

Rec center- goal is to make decision on feasibility- Social responsibility, diversity, safety, education

**Public Safety**: Lancaster, Hanson, Willey, Terhark

Goal #1-Develop PSA campaign- Public Service announcements (Monthly) from PD, EMS and Fire; Values aligned to-Safety, Education, Social Responsibility

Goal #2-Create and develop program to have basic conversational Spanish classes for City employees and eventual goal to roll out to Citizens; Values align with-Diversity, Social Responsibility, Safety and Education

**Economic Development**: Hennigar, Young, Cook

Continue to develop and update website; Aligns with-diversity, education, social responsibility

**-**Send out newsletter, provide more access to citizens with no internet

Demolishing/Clean-up/infill lots; Aligns with- Safety, Social Responsibility, diversity-Start a conversation with w/ Maasdam; start the process on abandoned housing

Mural/Holiday Lights- more Quality of Life

Wright County Economic Development, Grants, Loans, Incentives, Revamping Tax Rebate (add on to the website): Aligns with-Education, Social Responsibility;

Motion by Williams, seconded by Young to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Hanson, Deputy Clerk

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Jordan Cook, City Administrator Duane D. Asbe, Mayor