

The El Dorado City Commission met in a work session on October 30, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the Commission Room with the following present: Mayor Bill Young, Commissioner Syndee Scribner, Commissioner Leon Leachman, Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson, and City Manager David Dillner. Absent: Commissioner Kelly Tetrick

VISITORS

Tabitha Sharp	Assistant City Manager	El Dorado, KS
Sam Cooper	Management Intern	El Dorado, KS
Phil Benedict	El Dorado Chamber	El Dorado, KS
Nikole Babb	Butler Times Gazette	El Dorado, KS
Scott Rickard	City Engineer	El Dorado, KS
Brad Shores	JEO Consulting Group	Wichita, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bill Young called the October 30, 2024, meeting to order.

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS**TRANSPORTATION STUDY**

JEO Consulting Group Consultants presented the findings of the El Dorado Transportation Study to the Commission.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson asked if the map showed the current bike path.

Brad Shores, JEO Consulting Group, stated that it does include the current bike path and marking indicating the for potential more bike paths.

Commissioner Wilkinson asked why the intersection of Village and Central has so many accidents.

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that it is a high-volume intersection.

Commissioner Syndee Scribner asked what is the one thing that the City can do to make the biggest difference in the shortest amount of time.

JEO Consultant stated that sometimes it is as simple as changing the phasing of the traffic signals. He stated that it could also be making the changes to the left turn lanes at 6th and Main intersection.

CIVIC CENTER DISPOSITION

Commissioner Syndee Scribner stated that she has received some concerns about the state of the civic center. She stated that this is something that we can keep kicking down the road.

Commissioner Leon Leachman stated that he agreed and that decisions need to be made on whether we are going to renovate it or not.

Commissioner Scribner asked what kind of attention and reservations they were seeing.

Phil Benedict, Chamber Director, stated that they see celebrations of lives, weddings, meetings, and City functions. He stated that is mostly local people renting the space. He stated that they are now seeing 3 to 4 calls a day about rental inquiries. He stated that his concern is safety issues when renting out the civic center.

Commissioner Wilkinson asked if the chamber has been marketing the civic center as a space to rent.

Phil Benedict stated that not outside of El Dorado.

Commissioner Wilkinson stated that she thinks the city should not get rid of the civic center.

Mayor Young stated that the Commission needed to decide if it was worth the investment to renovate.

City Manager Dillner stated that there needs to be a vision for the building.

Mayor Young stated the priority is to make the building safe again.

The Commission as a collective asked that staff have someone come in and assess the building and see what it would cost to renovate.

REGULAR AGENDA PREVIEW

The City Commission reviewed the upcoming agenda for November 4, 2024.

COMMISSION REPORTS

There were no reports.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

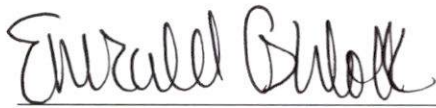
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ADJOURNMENT

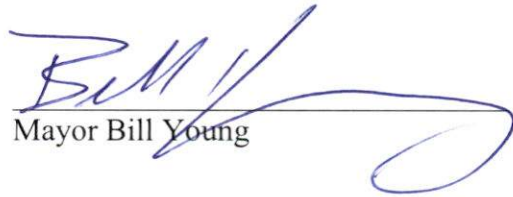
Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 PM.

Commissioner Syndee Scribner seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 – 0.

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City Clerk Emerald Ashlock

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bill Young", written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with a large loop at the end.

Mayor Bill Young