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Legislative Review Committee Agenda

Meeting Notes

August 12, 2014, 4:00 p.m.

City Manager's Conference Room

Present: Wade Troxell, Councilmember; Lisa Poppaw, Councilmember; Ross Cunniff, Councilmember; Wendy Williams, Assistant City Manager; Carrie Daggett, Interim City Attorney; Dan Weinheimer, Legislative Policy Manager

Absent: None

Guests: Kevin Jones, Chamber of Commerce; Madeline Anderson, citizen

Councilmember Poppaw called the meeting to order at 4:08 pm.

Adoption of the minutes from the June 10, 2014 meeting were moved for approval by Councilmember Cunniff and seconded by Councilmember Poppaw. Minutes were adopted without amendment.

Dan Weinheimer provided a brief **review of the state ballot**. He mentioned that the oil and gas compromise between Governor Hickenlooper and Congressman Jared Polis took the four oil and gas-related initiatives off the ballot. This action left initiatives on abortion and gambling with the potential for an initiative on genetically-modified organism labeling of food and open meetings for school boards.

Dan summarized **interim activity** taken to date to engage with Colorado legislators and Congressional representatives. Dan said that Colorado legislators and candidates attended a hardhat tour of the Foothills Mall construction. Alberta Development Partners staff led the tour and City staff attending reported the event went well. Dan also mentioned that U.S. Senator Michael Bennet rode MAX and had a meeting with a small group of community leaders on the bus. He reported that Congressman Jared Polis was planning an "all of the above" energy tour and that staff had provided suggestions for locations to visit in the community.

Councilmembers pointed out the need to continue communication with the state delegation on **Urban Renewal Authority**. Dan stated that the City Manager and County Manager were discussing ways to move forward from the previous General Assembly session.

LRC considered appointments to the Colorado Municipal League (CML) Policy Committee. This group reviews policies and makes specific recommendations to

the CML Executive Board for adoption. Councilmember Troxell was recommended to City Council for consideration to serve on this committee. City Manager Atteberry was also recommended to serve. Dan Weinheimer is the alternate member of the Committee.

Councilmember Troxell talked about work being done through National League of Cities (NLC), International City/County Management Association (ICMA) and the International Town/Gown Association (ITGA) to collaborate on community solutions. He suggested that in future years the **City and Colorado State University (CSU) officials partner in federal advocacy** more actively. Specifically, Councilmember Troxell suggested that CSU and the City send officials jointly to Washington, DC to pursue a shared federal agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 pm.