

Study Session Minutes – Oskaloosa City Council

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Council Chambers City Hall

220 South Market Street

4:00 PM

Present: Mayor Krutzfeldt; Council Members Almond, Burnett, Caligiuri, Comfort, Drost, Hermsen and Ossian.

Absent: None.

City Staff in attendance: Miller, Hefner, Murphy

Others in attendance: FOX Strand Laurie Twitchell, Dan Willers, and John Gade; former Council Member Tom Walling

1. Presentation from FOX Strand and discussion of the Wastewater Facility Plan Update for Long Term Improvements. This facility plan is part of the plan of action submitted to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) in February of 2015 as a result of Notice of Violation, dated September 29, 2014, from IDNR for bypassing raw wastewater from portions of the collection system and at the wastewater treatment plants. FOX Strand reviewed the history of the Facility Plan, showed the design alternatives for the construction of a new facility or facilities, and gave a recommendation to the council based on both financial and non-financial considerations for each design alternative. After the presentation, the council discussed the various design alternatives. Based on the discussion, the consensus of the city council members indicated that the construction of one combined facility at the current location of the northeast wastewater treatment facility, utilizing oxidation ditch technology for treatment, and designed based on a 50 acre planned growth at the certified site was the best option. Some council members indicated a preference for the construction of two separate facilities at each of the existing facility locations. The Mayor directed staff to prepare an item for the regular city council meeting in order to take a formal action.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45

Minutes by Murphy