



CITY OF NOVI
Public Utilities & Technology Committee Meeting
December 10, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
Novi Depot Conference Room | Novi Civic Center | 45175 Ten Mile Road
(248) 347-0445

CALL TO ORDER 5:37 PM

ROLL CALL: Council Members Heintz, Smith, and Thomas

PRESENT Council Members Heintz, Smith, and Thomas

STAFF LIAISON: Rob Petty, Chief Information Officer (CIO)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motioned by: Member Smith; Seconded by Heintz

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of October 22, 2024, Minutes and November 19, 2024: Motioned by Member Heintz; Seconded by Smith. Approved 3:0

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Chair Thomas introduced City Planner Barbara McBeth and laid the foundation for her presentation.

MATTERS FOR COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

1. Presentation by Novi City Planner Barbara McBeth.

The following are the bullet points of Barbara McBeth's presentation.

- Barb McBeth explained the master land-use plan, including comprehensive and specific plans like the active mobility plan and parks and recreation plan.
- A master plan also considers trends and demographics, including population growth, housing preferences, and building construction trends.
- Barb McBeth explains the process of selecting a consultant, including identifying goals and objectives for the plan.
- Surveys and online feedback tools are used to gather community input.
- Planning staff could collect information on fiber and cable installation during the review process.
- The idea of including fiber installation as a public benefit in new developments was discussed.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- The group discusses the need to prepare for an RFP or RFQ for the broadband master plan.
- The team stressed the importance of clearly defining goals and objectives before engaging a consultant.

- The group agreed to focus on these goals and objectives in the next meeting to prepare for the RFP process.
- The group reviewed action items, including exploring potential funding sources and understanding the capabilities of FlashVote.

REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

N/A

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: Member Heintz; Seconded by Member Smith
Approved 3:0 (6:44 PM)