

**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SUMMARY**  
**February 3, 2020**

**Meeting Convened:** 5:32 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:29 p.m.

**City Councilmembers present:** Kraig Andrews, Chuck McDaniel, Phyllis Norris, Phil Pe'a, Anna Stout, Duke Wortmann, and Mayor President Rick Taggart.

**Staff present:** City Manager Greg Caton, City Attorney John Shaver, Public Works Director Trent Prall, Street Systems and Solid Waste Manager Darren Starr, General Services Director Jay Valentine, Senior Assistant to the City Manager Greg LeBlanc, and City Clerk Wanda Winkelmann.

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Mayor Taggart called the meeting to order.

**Agenda Topic 1. Discussion Topics**

**a. Recycling Update**

Mr. Prall provided an overview of the duties and responsibilities of the Solid Waste Department. He noted the following facts about the recycling industry:

- The recycling market has plummeted due to stricter regulations in China.
- About 2200 tons per year of materials are recycled.
- Because of the multi-stream system, the contamination rate is low as materials are sorted separated.
- Single stream recycling results in about 25% contamination rate.

Jonathan Hahn with GJ CRI provided an introduction of the partnership with the City. There are 55 routes within City limits and customers pay \$1.75 per month for curbside service. Free public drop-offs amount to 5,000 visitors each month. The multi-stream approach is used for glass, plastic, paper, and cardboard.

Melissa Snyder with GJ CRI discussed the staffing and their duties. GJ CRI provides facility tours and participates in community events. They coordinate with other organizations to advance recycling awareness.

Steven Voss with GJ CRI discussed educating customers about recycling efforts, single stream recycling and the products being contaminated, possible advertising program, rate adjustments, and participation objectives.

Support was expressed for the recycling program to remain multi stream, with GJ CRI increasing its advertising. GJ CRI will also bring back a proposal that outlines how they will increase the number of customers recycling.

#### **b. Colorado West Land Trust Presentation of Priorities**

Rob Bleiberg and Libby Collins with the Colorado West Land Trust provided an overview on:

- The opportunities for recreational experiences, which aligns with the City's Strategic Plan.
- Land acquisitions.
- Collaboration and partnerships.
- Funding.

Discussion ensued about the Monument Corridor and how it adds to the local economy.

#### **Agenda Topic 2. Next Workshop Topics**

City Manager Caton noted that, due to Presidents Day, the February 17 Workshop is canceled.

For March 2, three topics will be discussed: Avalon Theatre Foundation Update, Branding, and a request from Catholic Outreach regarding funding for housing.

#### **3. Other Business**

Councilmember Stout noted there is a Cultural Plan Celebration at Hospitality Suite on Thursday. She also discussed the possibility of a future conversation to consider modifications and refinements to the evaluation process.

#### **Adjournment**

The Workshop adjourned at 7:29 p.m.