

**CITY OF YUTAN  
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EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUTAN, IN THE COUNTY OF SAUNDERS, STATE OF NEBRASKA HELD AT CITY HALL, YUTAN, NEBRASKA ON THE 28TH DAY OF AUGUST 2018, AT 8:00 a.m.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting notice, a designated method for giving notice, as shown by the (Affidavit of Publication) (Certificate of Posting Notice) attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m. by Mayor Egr. Mayor Egr opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members Beck, Long, and Peterson were present. Councilmember McLaughlin was absent. Mayor Egr informed all of the individuals present of the location of the poster regarding the Open Meetings Act.

- 1) Discussion was held regarding Resolution 2018-6 and the option of putting a local sales and use tax measure on the November 6<sup>th</sup> ballot. They discussed the meeting held last night by the committee organized by JEO's director of community engagement, Steve Wolf. Mayor Egr questioned whether the City should continue working with JEO on this matter, and council member Peterson stated that she felt it is necessary to have an outside source taking the lead on organizing and mobilizing the community. She further described her prior experiences working with community volunteers on similar projects, with many initially committing to a project but ultimately backing out. Council member Long explained that he is not happy with the current wording of the resolution, specifically the use of the phrase "public infrastructure" as a possible use for the tax revenue generated. He felt that this wording would likely make the voters think that the taxes would go towards water and sewer mains and other public utility projects, which is not the intended purpose of the possible sales tax. Council member Peterson added that, rather than completely eliminate the phrase "public infrastructure," she would like to see the addition of examples as to what that could potentially mean, such as improved lighting sources downtown. Council member Beck also asserted his belief that the tax percentage should be dropped from 1.5% to 1%. The Mayor and City Council decided to table this item and schedule another special meeting for this purpose. Prior to the next special meeting, the City Clerk will speak with the City's attorneys about making changes to the resolution; the Clerk will also speak with Steve Wolf from JEO about the committee's timeline for future action.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 a.m.

Katy Mattheis, Clerk/Treasurer

Darin Egr, Mayor