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CRYSTAL CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION AGENDA

Tuesday, January 21, 2014
6:30 p.m.
Conference Room A

Pursuant to due call and notice given in the manner prescribed by Section 3.01 of the City Charter, the work session of the Crystal City Council was held at _____ p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2014 in Conference Room A located at 4141 Douglas Drive, Crystal, Minnesota.

I. Attendance

Council members	Staff
____ Libby	____ Norris
____ Peak	____ Therres
____ Selton	____ Norton
____ Adams	____ Revering
____ Budziszewski	____ Serres
____ Deshler	
____ Hoffmann	

II. Agenda

The purpose of the work session is to discuss the following agenda items:

- Change in liquor license/pawnbroker fees
- Council salaries

III. Adjournment

The work session adjourned at _____ p.m.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 14, 2014

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Anne Norris, City Manager
Chrissy Serres, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Liquor License and Pawnbroker Transaction Fees

At its November 14 work session, the City Council discussed the 2014 budget which included increases to certain liquor license and pawnbroker transaction fees. Due to costs associated with regulating and managing liquor licenses and pawnbroker transactions, staff proposes the following fee increases:

Liquor

	Current annual fee	Proposed annual fee
Off sale 3.2 malt liquor:	$50.00	$100.00
On sale 3.2 malt liquor:	$522.50	$550.00
On sale wine premises seating 25-99:	$500.00	$2,000.00 flat fee
On sale wine, premises seating 100+:	$1,000.00	$2,000.00 flat fee
Dual on sale wine/beer, premises seating 25-99:	$1,022.50	$2,550.00 flat fee
Dual on sale wine/beer, premises seating 100+:	$1,522.50	$2,550.00 flat fee

Additionally, current wine and beer license fees in neighboring cities are as follows:

City	Off Sale 3.2 Malt Liquor	On Sale 3.2 Malt Liquor	Wine
Brooklyn Center	$100	$500	$2,000
Crystal	$50	$522.50	$500 or $1,000
Golden Valley	$150	$500	$2,000
New Hope	$100	$500	$2,000
Plymouth	$100	$500	$2,000
Robbinsdale	$100	$550	$2,000

City Code Section 1000.05, Subd. 2. provides the City Council may consider increasing liquor license fees after a public hearing.

Pawnbroker

	Current fee	Proposed fee
Electronic transaction fee:	$2.00 per transaction	$3.00 per transaction
Manual transaction fee:	$2.50 per transaction	$3.50 per transaction

A public hearing is not required for pawnbroker fee increases; however City Code Section 1177.05 does require licensees to be notified 30 days prior to implementing the adjustment.

The Council should discuss the proposed liquor license and pawnbroker transaction fee increases.

Memorandum

DATE: January 13, 2014

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Anne Norris, City Manager

SUBJECT: Council Salaries

BACKGROUND:

In 2005, the Council adopted a resolution establishing a procedure for setting mayor and council salaries. In each election year, the Council will consider salaries for the next two calendar years after the election and will base increases on the average increases with all bargaining units in the city for the preceding two years.

	2012	2013	2014
Local 44	1%	1%	Not settled
Local 49	1%	1%	2%
Local 56	1%	1%	Not settled
Average	1%	1%	?
2-year Average (2012 and 2013):		1%	

There were no increases in Mayor and Council salaries for three years, 2009, 2010 and 2011. There was a 1% increase each year in 2012, 2013 and 2014.

The Council should discuss what, if any, increase is appropriate for Mayor and Council salaries for 2015 and 2016.

Attach:

CITY OF CRYSTAL

RESOLUTION #2005-94

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL SALARY INCREASES

WHEREAS, the City Council may establish salaries for the mayor and council by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, salaries for the mayor and council members are specified in City Code, Section 211.01; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Section 415.11, Subd.2, provides that no change in salary may take effect until after the next succeeding city election; and

WHEREAS, the Crystal City Council desires to establish a routine procedure and practice for periodic review and increase of mayor and council salaries.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Crystal City Council as follows:

1. No later than March 1, 2006 and March 1 of each subsequent year in which a city election is held, the Council will consider the first reading of an ordinance amending Section 211.01 to increase the mayor and council salaries according to the following principles:

   A. Salaries will be increased for the next two calendar year period, commencing with the year following the election.

   B. In each of the two years, mayor and council salaries will be increased by the same percentage as the average percent increase from wage settlements with all bargaining units in the city for the two calendar years preceding the election year.

2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, this resolution is intended as a statement of current policy. No salary change will be effective until approval of an ordinance amending Section 211.01, and the Council may approve salary increases that depart from the procedures and principles in this resolution at its discretion.

Adopted this 20 day of December, 2005.

ReNae J. Bowman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janet Lewis, City Clerk