

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
DECEMBER 19, 2023
4:00 P.M.**

The members of the Marshall City Council met for a Work Session at 4:07 p.m. on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building, 214 N. Lafayette, Marshall, MO 65340, with the following members present: Mayor Vincent Lutterbie; Council Members Drew Green, Nathan Swisher, Charles Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Dan Brandt and Steve Cook; City Administrator JD Kehrman, City Counselor Josh Taylor and City Clerk Julie Lewis. Council Member John Allen excused absent and Council Member Phil Perkins absent.

Mayor Lutterbie said the purpose of the work session is to discuss an agreement with Marshall Public Schools for the exchange of real property.

Council Member Cook asked if anything has changed.

Marshall Public Schools Superintendent Caleb Petit explained the initial discussion is still the same. There are some parties that have expressed interest in the Eastwood School building, however, that is not influencing the School Board, they like the agreement as it has been established.

The current agreement states the building will be demolished and the district is asking for an extension to 2025.

Mayor Lutterbie discussed the potential options if the City has a buyer.

Council Member Perkins present at 4:12 p.m.

City Attorney Josh Taylor said the current agreement states prior to closing the District will prepare the tract by demolishing all improvements or structures to grade and remove all materials and debris from the demolition with said demolition to be completed by a specific date that is currently blank. Any amendments would need to be made with the School District's blessing prior to closing.

Mr. Petit said he believes the Board of Education would support conveying the building to the City standing or not standing, depending on your preference, and if we move forward they would also be receptive to an amendment.

Council Members discussed infrastructure and street improvements needed at the hab center site.

Council Member Swisher asked if the Board of Education would consider the City's first right of refusal on the current high school property in the future.

Mr. Petit indicated that is not an unreasonable request, as the precedent has been set in the original Gieringer property exchange agreement.

Mr. Petit discussed the schools long term facility plan for the hab center site.

Discussion concluded with Mr. Petit stating that he would like to see the passage of the agreement sometime in January with the small details being worked out and the agreement ratified one time.

The members of the Marshall City Council made no decisions during the Work Session.

The Work Session adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Julie A. Lewis
City Clerk