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Ward 3 – Lavon Morton

Ward 4 – George Catsavis

At-Large Position 5 – Robyn Dawson

At-Large Position 6 – Kevin Settle

At-Large Position 7 – Neal Martin

AGENDA ~ Summary

Fort Smith Board of Directors

STUDY SESSION

March 9, 2021 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Fort Smith Convention Center

55 South 7th Street

Exhibit Halls A1 & A2

THIS MEETING IS BEING TELECAST LIVE AT THE FOLLOWING LINK:

<https://video.ibm.com/channel/XqbsvFPFApS>

CALL TO ORDER

- All physically present, except Director Catsavis who was absent.
 - Mayor George McGill presiding
1. Discussion regarding riverfront development ~ *Martin/Morton placed on future study session at the January 5, 2021 regular meeting ~ (Administration)*
Update regarding projects to enhance and promote riverfront development, i.e. Kelley Highway extension, soccer fields on 51 acres, and continued infrastructure.

Director Good acknowledged the extension of Spradling Avenue is not immediately planned; therefore, he requested at least a pedestrian walkway be considered to allow access to recreational amenities along Riverfront Drive.

Administrator Geffken questioned the feasibility of same, but staff will review and advise.
 2. Discuss structure and funding of the Citizen Services Call Center ~ *Requested at the December 15, 2020 regular meeting ~ (Utility)*
Morton/Dawson placed an item on the March 16, 2021 regular meeting agenda to provide for a permanent Citizen Services Call Center.
 3. Review preliminary agenda for the March 16, 2021 regular meeting

OTHER

Administrator Geffken

Due to the State of Arkansas' recent announcement for accelerated and expanded COVID vaccinations, the City has revised its COVID protocols for outdoor large venues. The City will require special event organizers to submit their event permits with safety protocols outlined by the Arkansas Department of Health only through Friday, April 23, 2021, which is sooner than previously advised date of May 31, 2021.

ADJOURN

7:12 p.m.