



WHERE COMMUNITY AND SPIRIT MEET®

WORK SESSION MINUTES

A work session of the Kirkwood City Council was held on February 1, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Griffin, Council Members Duwe, Edman, Luetzow, Sears, Ward, and Zimmer. Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Russell Hawes, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, City Clerk Betty Montañó, and Public Information Officer Beth von Behren.

APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES

Motion was made by Council Member Zimmer and seconded by Council Member Ward to approve the meeting minutes of January 25, 2018. The minutes were unanimously approved.

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER PRESENTATION

Jacobs Engineering's Lead Architect Anselmo Testa presented a Power Point for the Performing Arts Center Conceptual Design. Some of the issues discussed are as follows:

- Jacobs Engineering and DPZ worked together on developing the Master Plan.
- Members of the Performing Arts Center Advisory Committee made comments:
 - Council Member Duwe – concerned about the costs associated with the conceptual design. Would like a smaller lobby area to be considered.
 - Council Member Luetzow – believes the city is on the right track architecturally for the future of the downtown area. Believes the addition of the black box during Phase 1 is driving the costs higher.
 - Council Member Edman – believes the black box should be constructed during Phase 1, although adding it at a later time would help lower costs.
- A recommendation was made that the stairway be widened and a concessionary area be added to the upper level.
- Chief Administrative Officer Russell Hawes spoke regarding the approximate costs associated with the project:
 - The original design, which included the black box, was approximately \$20M.
 - The current design, which includes the black box, is approximately \$25M.
 - Functionality of the proposed theater has been increased and great efforts being made to make the proposed theater as efficient as possible.
- A discussion took place regarding costs of the proposed theater and concern about costs for such reducing the amount that could be used for the Community Center project.

Motion was made by Council Member Ward and seconded by Council Member Edman to have Jacobs Engineering move forward with construction plans at the cost estimate of \$25M. The motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further matters to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned

Betty Montañó, MMC/MPCC
City Clerk