City of Van Meter, Iowa City Council Work Session Minutes – 9-9-2019

The Van Meter City Council met at 5:30 pm on September 9th, 2019 at the Veterans Reception Center in joint work session with the Van Meter Community School Board of Education.

Councilmembers present were: Mayor Allan Adams, Joe Herman, Kim Sacker, Steve Meyer, and Lyn Lyon. Councilmember Adam Coyle was absent.

City Administrator Kyle Michel represented the City staff present.

Superintendent Deron Durflinger provided an overview of progress made by the School District since the joint work session a year prior. Mr. Durflinger also outlined some of the proposed short-term planning projects that the School would seek partnership from the City to achieve. Those being, addition recreational field space and parking to support expanded recreational activities. The need for additional daycare and preschool space was also mentioned.

City Administrator Kyle Michel gave an overview of the planning projects being conducted by the City, specifically the Community Visioning Program through Iowa Living Roadways as well as the Vision Van Meter 2040 Comprehensive Plan project. Both projects have involved participation by the School and School Board and have captured and identified areas for partnership.

A request was made of Mr. Durflinger and Mr. Michel to establish biannual work sessions of the City Council and the School Board.

The work session concluded at 6:35 pm.