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Re: July 19<sup>th</sup> agenda

Request working group create a process that identifies more accountability for how Councillors carry out their role.

If function policy setting and directing staff what is the clarification on authority to act as independently without direction to from Council.

Example meeting with developers on their own which is role of staff and keeping open mind until all discussions have occurred. This means not prejudging based on personal "expertise".

You just started a better process on planning issues where questions asked get answers and recorded in public record. When the public raises questions or raises options the same accountability should be given. How does councillors deal with citizens outside their ward? If this group has 8 members; which is majority of Council, how does input work if you all agree?

Generally you need to address clearly the role of Councillors; independently or collectively and role of staff (Experts). Please address.

The Mayor and former city manager refused!

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