



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, June 22, 2020, 5:00 PM

City Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

****AMENDED AGENDA****

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Present: Mayor Suzanne Hawkins, Vice Mayor Ruth Pierce, Council Member Shawn Barigar, Greg Lanting, Christopher Reid & Nikki Boyd.

Absent: Council Member Craig Hawkins

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, City Attorney Shayne Nope, CFO Breanna Howard, Police Chief Craig Kingsberry, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, City Engineer Mark Holtzen, P&Z Director Jonathan Spendlove, Sergeant Ryan Howe, Corporal Steven Gassert, Staff Engineer Jesse Schuerman, Staff Engineer Erin Steel, HR Director Gretchen Scott, Network Administrator Dee Davidson, Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

Mayor Hawkins called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hawkins invited all present, who wished, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) PROCLAMATIONS: None

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0

- a) **ACTION ITEM**: Request to approve the Accounts Payable for June 11-17, 2020.
- b) **ACTION ITEM**: Request to approve the June 15, 2020, City Council Minutes.
- c) **ACTION ITEM**: Request to approve the 2020-2021 Alcohol License Renewals.
- d) **ACTION ITEM**: Request to approve the Back the Blue event.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- a) **PRESENTATION**: Presentation by Joshua W. Kern M.D., Vice President of Medical Affairs, St. Luke's Health System.
Mayor Hawkins introduced Dr. Kern, Vice President of Medical Affairs, St. Luke's Health System.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid: Thanked Dr. Kern for his information.

Mayor Hawkins thanked Dr. Kern for his presentation.

- b) **ACTION ITEM**: Request to approve an encroachment into City Right-of-Way for balconies extending onto Main Ave South and Hansen St South.

P&Z Director Spendlove requested to approve an encroachment into City Right-of-Way for balconies extending onto Main Ave South and Hansen St. South.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Any reason that they are not on all apartments?

Council Member Reid: Patios are on the top 4 floor and not on the sidewalk.

Vice Mayor Pierce: Asked about the building next to the commons and their "balcony" Council Member Barigar: Will this be taken up the new code re-write?

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve an encroachment into City Right-of-Way for balconies extending onto Main Ave South and Hansen St. South. **Council Member Barigar** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

- c) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to accept the Partnership for Success Law Enforcement Grant from the Idaho Office of Drug Policy.
Corporal Gassert requested to accept the Partnership for Success Law Enforcement Grant from the Idaho Office of Drug Policy.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Asked for explanation of "Shoulder Tap". Is there an uptake in Maharajah use with Ontario being only 2-1/2 hours away?

MOTION: Vice Mayor Pierce moved to approve the request to accept the Partnership for Success Law Enforcement Grant from the Idaho Office of Drug Policy in the amount of \$56,938.00. **Council Member Boyd** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

- d) **PRESENTATION:** Presentation from Idaho Transportation Department about a pavement rehabilitation project on Blue Lakes Blvd. from Perrine Bridge to Poleline.

ITD Rep Steven Hunter made a presentation for the Idaho Transportation Department about a pavement rehabilitation project on Blue Lakes Blvd., from Perrine Bridge to Poleline.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Boyd: Is the depth only 2 inches?

Council Member Reid: Asked for clarification of the construction schedule. What amount of time are we looking at for the construction?

Council Member Barigar: Thanked the presenter for the information. Asked for clarification of the start time? Would there be a possibility for an earlier start?

Council Member Lanting: Spoke about the timing of the construction.

Mayor Hawkins: Asked for clarification on the reason for changing out the lighting. Asked if there were any alternative for the first intersection and its workability. With there be more sitting traffic on the bridge, would there be a way to eliminate the trucks sitting there? Will the project on I-84 be complete by the time this project starts? What about the Hwy 93 project?

Vice Mayor Pierce: Asked about the turn signals?

Mayor Hawkins: Asked if the City is responsible for the traffic study or is ITD?

City Engineer Holtzen: Clarified the traffic studies going forward.

Council Member Lanting: Talked about having left hand turn signals at Blue Lakes and Bridge View.

Council Member Reid: Spoke about a presentation on this intersection and the failing it by ITD.

Council Member Barigar: Master transportation plan discussion/clarification.

Council Member Boyd: Talked about how the messaging of this project goes out to the public.

Mayor Hawkins: Asked about the brick. Mentioned the third crossing.

- e) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to pass a resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the State/Local Agreement for the Filer Avenue Road Safety Audit.
Staff Engineer Steel requested to pass a resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the State/Local Agreement for the Filer Avenue Road Safety Audit.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: What if the study says that we need to move the High School?

MOTION: Council Member Barigar moved to approve resolution #2020-010 authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the State/Local Agreement for the Filer Avenue Road Safety Audit in the amount of \$50,000.00 with a 7.34% match. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

- f) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to use reserve funds to complete and furnish shelled space in City Hall for Utility Billing.

Deputy City Manager Humble requested to use reserve funds to complete and furnish shelled spaces in City Hall for Utility Billing.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Boyd: What would we be using the shelled space on the second floor? **Council Member Reid:** How will this affect customer service for City Hall? Can we have more conversations on Customer Service?

City Manager Rothweiler: Spoke on the customer service aspect in government.

Vice Mayor Pierce: what is the time frame for this project? Spoke about the convenience of the dropbox.

Mayor Hawkins: Have we looked at alternative payment locations?

Council Member Barigar: How many UB employees would move out and how many would move in?

Mayor Hawkins: Do you have a plan for the Rec space that would be vacated at the park's building?

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to use reserve funds to complete and furnish shelled spaces in City Hall for Utility Billing in the amount of \$150,000.00. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

- 6) **GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT: To provide public input to the City Council please send to:**
Citizeninput@tfid.org

- 7) **ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 8) **PUBLIC HEARINGS: None**

- 9) **ADJOURNMENT**

- a) Executive Session § 74-206(1): (f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

MOTION: Council Member Lanting moved to adjourn to Executive Session § 74-206(1): (f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 06:27 PM

Amy Luna

Amy Luna, Administrative Assistant Finance