



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, August 19, 2019, 5:00 AM

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

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

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

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Managers Mitch Humble & Brian Pike, City Attorney Shayne Nope, Police Chief Craig Kingsbury, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, CFO Lorie Race, Budget Coordinator Mat Farnes, Accounting Specialist Janie Higgins, City Engineer Mark Holtzen, Assistant City Engineer Troy Vitek, P&Z Director Jonathan Spendlove, City Planner Steve O'Connor, City Planner Brock Cherry, Public Works Director Jon Caton, Airport Director Bill Carberry, Aquatics Director John Pauley, Utility Services Supervisor Bill Baxter, Economic Development Director Nathan Murray, Human Resources Director Gretchen Scott, Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

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

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

3) PROCLAMATIONS: None

4) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

Citizen Linda Goodin spoke about the Abortion issue.

Citizen Kim Rice spoke about the New Building - told the Public Hearing will be held at 6:00 pm and this is where we will take public input for this item.

Citizen Mona Weeks spoke about the Recycling Program.

5) CONSENT CALENDAR

Mayor Barigar requested that item (5d) be removed from the Consent Calendar and voted on separately and recused himself from this item.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar, minus item (5d), as presented. **Council Member Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0

MOTION: Council Member Lanting moved to approve the Consent Calendar item (5d), as presented. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion with **Mayor Barigar** abstaining. Motion passed 6 to 0 to 1.

- a) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the Accounts Payable for August 15-21, 2019.
- b) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve a New Alcohol License Application for Saffron Indian Cuisine.
- c) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to hold the National Drug Overdose Day on August 31, 2019.
- d) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to hold the Wings for Love World BASE Jump Concert on September 14, 2019.
- e) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to accept the Improvement Agreement for the purpose of developing Perrine Point Subdivision.
- f) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve a utility and access easement with special conditions located on Lot 4, Block 1 of Canyon Falls Subdivision No. 2.

6) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- a) **ACTION:** Request for funding of a Service Club entrance sign into the community by Dennis Bowyer, Optimist Club of Twin Falls.

Mayor Barigar turned the meeting over to **Vice Mayor Boyd** as he is involved in this item.

Optimist Club of Twin Falls Representative Dennis Bowyer made a request for funding of a Service Club entrance sign into the community.

Funds Requested: \$8,000.00

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Pierce: Spoke in favor of this request. Do we have IMPOG funds available?

Council Member Talkington: Spoke against this request.

Council Member Hawkins: Are other organizations able to pay to add their logo to these signs? What is the time frame for a project like this? Does the price quote include installation? Spoke in favor of this request.

Vice Mayor Boyd: How would another service club add to this sign? Do all the signs have open spots

MOTION: Council Member Lanting moved to approve the request for \$8,000.00 in funding for Service Club entrance sign into the community. **Council Member Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion with **Mayor Barigar** abstaining. 5 to 1 with 1 abstention.

- b) **ACTION ITEM:** A request to use park impact fees to construct a Canyon Rim Trail extension across the Breckenridge property.

Parks & Recreation Director Davis made a request to use park impact fees to construct a Canyon Rim Trail extension across the Breckenridge property.

Funds Needed: \$42,000.00

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Hawkins: Thanked all for the hours put in on this project.

Mayor Barigar: Thanked all for the public/private partnership on this project.

Council Member Lanting: Spoke in favor of this project.

MOTION: Council Member Talkington moved to approve the request to use park impact fees to construct a Canyon Rim Trail extension across the Breckenridge property in the amount of \$42,000.00. **Vice Mayor Boyd** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

- c) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to use surplus funds to purchase a replacement chemical controller for the City Pool.

Aquatics Director Pauley made a request to use surplus funds to purchase a replacement chemical controller for the City Pool.

Quote received: \$6,500.00

Discussion ensued on the following: None

MOTION: Vice Mayor Boyd moved to approve the request to use \$6,500.00 in surplus pool funds to purchase a replacement chemical controller for the City Pool. **Council Member Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

- d) **ACTION ITEM:** Request support in investing City employees' time to perform a thorough process review of City Code, Title 3 – Business Regulations

Account Specialist Higgins made a request for support in investing City employees' time to perform a thorough process review of City Code, Title 3 - Business Regulations.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Mayor Barigar: Would there be any plans on doing open houses on any of these proposed changes? Would it be beneficial to get feedback from those involved?

Council Member Hawkins: Thanked Mrs. Higgins for her time on this project.

Council Member Talkington: What is the time frame for this project? 6-8 Months.

City Manager Rothweiler: Explained some public input that we will be having with a group that has come forward.

Vice Mayor Boyd: Are there other titles that need to be re-written?

MOTION: **Council Member Hawkins** moved to approve the request for support in investing City employees' time to perform a thorough process review of City Code, Title 3 - Business Regulations with intermittent reporting. **Council Member Talkington** seconded the motion and moved to amend the original motion to add a six (6) month reporting back to the City Council. **Council Member Lanting** seconded the motion.

Roll call vote showed all members present voted on the amendment, with Council Member Hawkins and Vice Mayor Boyd voting against. Passed 5 to 2.

Roll call vote showed all members present voted on the amended motion. Approved 7 to 0.

- e) **ACTION ITEM:** Discussion and possible action on Fire Bond.

City Manager Rothweiler & Deputy City Manager Pike presented information for discussion and possible action on the Fire Bond.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid: Spoke in favor of taking some time to refine this request.

Council Member Talkington: Spoke in favor of taking more time. Is in favor of taking it to vote next May.

Council Member Hawkins: Requested that Fire Chief Kenworthy give some feedback on the status of this issue.

Fire Chief Kenworthy: Explained the status of this issue.

Council Member Lanting: Spoke in favor of taking more time and looking at other options.

Mayor Barigar: Spoke against going to vote in November. Spoke in favor of keeping the momentum going.

- f) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to propose a budget amendment to accept a grant from the Twin Falls Rural Fire District to begin programming for a Regional Fire Department Training Facility.

Fire Chief Kenworthy made a request to propose a budget amendment to accept a grant from the Twin Falls Rural Fire District to begin programming for a Regional Fire Department Training Facility.

Grant amount: \$20,000.00

Discussion ensued on the following:

Vice Mayor Boyd: Spoke in favor of this request.

Council Member Pierce: Asked for clarification of the FY that this will be a part of.

Council Member Lanting: Thanked the Rural Fire District for the grant.

MOTION: **Council Member Talkington** moved to approve the request to accept a grant from the Twin Falls Rural Fire District to begin programming for a Regional Fire Department Training Facility. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

- g) **PRESENTATION:** Presentation of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2020 followed by citizen input. **(This item was presented after the Public Hearing)**
City Manager Rothweiler made a presentation of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2020 followed by citizen input.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Talkington: Are we waiting to start the changed recycling requirements on October 1, 2019. Start now please.

Council Member Lanting: Commented on the apple to apples comparison to other cities in Idaho.

Citizen Nick: Commented on the property tax rate.

7) GENERAL INPUT/ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a) **ACTION ITEM:** Request for Additional Height to allow a seventy-five foot (75') tall mixed-use building on property located at 160 Main Avenue South c/o of OneSixty LLC. (PZ19-0085)

City Planner Cherry made a request for Additional Height to allow a seventy-five foot (75') tall mixed-use building on property located at 160 Main Avenue South c/o of One Sixty LLC.
(PZ19-0085)

Applicant representative Fran Florence made his presentation.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Vice Mayor Boyd: Do you have any renderings of what this building will look like?

Does there need to be four floors

Council Member Hawkins: How would this effect our Fire response?

Fire Chief Kenworthy: Addressed Council Member Hawkins question on fire response.

Public Hearing Started: 6:25 pm

Citizen Kim Rice: Spoke about the concern of parking in the downtown district. Citizen

Dan Brizee: Spoke in favor of this item.

Citizen Paul Graff: Excited for what is happening in Downtown Twin Falls. Asked that the Council aggressively address the parking issue while pursuing this project.

Citizen Jeanne Meyer: Spoke about her one concern which is parking and hopes that this will go along with the building.

Citizen Nick: Unsure

Mayor Barigar called for a short recess that started at 6:37 pm and resumed at 6:44 pm.

Citizen Susan Hall: Spoke against the height increase and the parking is an issue.

Citizen Mona Weeks: What about the noise ordinance related to this building and the residents that will be occupying this building? How would you address this in years to come?

Citizen Nick: Spoke against this item.

P& Z Director Spendlove: Addressed the parking requirements for this building.

URA Director Murray: Spoke about the residential plan for this project. Spoke on the benefits of this project.

Council Member Hawkins: Are there guarantees that this will be a finished project?

Vice Mayor Boyd: Spoke in favor of this project.

Council Member Pierce: How many units will be in these 4 stories?

P&Z Director Spendlove: Addressed the noise question that was asked.

Public Hearing Ended: 6:58 pm.

Vice Mayor Boyd: Spoke in favor of this project.

Mayor Barigar: Asked Legal Counsel if there would be further legal progresses for this project?

Council Member Talkington: Spoke about the past plans for Downtown Twin Falls. Is in favor of this project.

Council Member Lanting: Spoke about the time when Downtown was vibrant. Is in favor of this project.

MOTION: **Council Member Talkington** moved to approve the request for Additional Height to allow a seventy-five foot (75') tall mixed-use building on property located at 160 Main Avenue South c/o of One Sixty LLC. (PZ19-0085). **Council Member Lanting** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

9) ADJOURNMENT

- a) Executive Session §74-206(1)(c) To acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency.

This item was postponed due to the late hour of the City Council Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 07:26 PM

Amy Luna

Amy Luna, Finance Administrative Assistant