



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, November 7, 2022, 5:00

PM Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Present: Mayor Ruth Pierce, Vice Mayor Christopher Reid, Council Member Craig Hawkins, Jason Brown, Spencer Cutler & Alexandra Caval.

Absent: Council Member Nikki Boyd

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble & Gretchen Scott, City Attorney Shayne Nope, Assistant Finance Director Brent Hyatt, Assistant to the City Manager Mandi Thompson, Captain Matt Hicks, City Planner Ian Zollinger, P&Z Director Jonathan Spendlove, Help Desk Tech Sonia Salas, Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

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

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pierce invited the members of Troop 63 to lead all present who wished to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) PROCLAMATIONS

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- a) Request to approve City Council 2022 October 24, Minutes.
- b) Request to approve Accounts Payable for October 20 to November 02, 2022.
- c) Request to approve November 02, 2022, Travel Requests.
- d) Consideration of a request to approve a Christmas Light Display event sponsored by First Federal to be held at Sunway Soccer Complex and First Federal Bank Park nightly beginning November 24, 2022, through December 31, 2022.
- e) Consideration of a request to approve the Jae Foundation Annual Auction event.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- a) Moving to Work Program presentation from Sunny Shaw, Director of the Twin Falls Housing Authority.

Twin Falls Housing Authority Director Shaw made a presentation on the Moving to Work Program.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Vice Mayor Reid: Thanked Mrs. Shaw for the presentation.

Mayor Pierce: What is the wait list?

Council Member Caval: How many housing units do you have? How does that compare to other cities of our size? What are you doing for additional units? Have you thought about applying for any of the SLFRF funds?

Mayor Pierce thanked Ms. Shaw for her presentation.

- b) Request to amend the existing contract with PSI, changing the starting collection time for garbage pickup from 7 a.m. to 6 a.m.

Assistant Finance Director Hyatt requested to amend the existing contract with PSI, changing the starting collection time for garbage pickup from 7 a.m. to 6 a.m.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Mayor Pierce: Spoke in favor of this request.

Vice Mayor Reid: Asked about the route changes and how would the citizens be notified?

Council Member Brown: Asked for clarification on the list provided by staff? Spoke in favor of this request.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Reid moved to approve the request to amend the existing contract with PSI, changing the starting collection time for garbage pickup from 7 a.m. to 6 a.m. **Council Member Brown** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

- c) A request to adopt ordinance number 2022-018 amending City Code Title 7, Chapters 3 and 8 regarding residential property owners being responsible for City utility rental accounts after December 31, 2022.

Assistant Finance Director Hyatt requested to adopt **Ordinance #2022-018** amending City Code Title 7, Chapters 3 and 8 regarding residential property owners being responsible for City utility rental accounts after December 31, 2022.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Reid made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put **Ordinance #2022-018** on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Cutler** seconded the motion. The Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 5 to 1, with Council Member Cutler voting against.

Mayor Pierce read **Ordinance #2022-018** by title only.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Reid moved to approve **Ordinance #2022-018** amending City Code Title 7, Chapters 3 and 8 regarding residential property owners being responsible for City utility rental accounts after December 31, 2022. **Council Member Caval** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 5 to 1, with Council Member Cutler voting against.

- d) A request to approve the funding agreement between the City of Twin Falls and the Idaho Transportation Department in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the operation of a pilot public transit program in Twin Falls.

Assistant to the City Manager, Thompson requested to approve the funding agreement between the City of Twin Falls and the Idaho Transportation Department in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the operation of a pilot public transit program in Twin Falls.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Cutler: *Will this have inter-play with federal funding sometime in the future?* Spoke in favor of this grant.

Council Member Caval: What is the cost of this being done "Turn-Key" and us operating it ourselves? Asked if there were any regrets about the Idaho Falls program.

Mayor Pierce: Asked if Idaho Falls was using the "Turn-Key" program that we are proposing.

Council Member Caval: What is the potential cost for the coordinator?

Mayor Pierce: Spoke in favor of this request.

Council Member Caval: Asked about the school busing competitions.

MOTION: Council Member Caval moved to approve the funding agreement between the City of Twin Falls and the Idaho Transportation Department in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the operation of a pilot public transit program in Twin Falls and authorize the mayor to sign the agreement. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

6) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

City Attorney Nope asked Troop 63 to speak about their annual food drive happening Saturday, November 12, 2022, at 9 am.

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Cutler gave an update on the Historic Preservation Commission meeting. **Mayor Pierce** reminded all the ribbon cutting of 160 Main building on Thursday, November 10, 2022, at 12:30 and they will be giving tours of the building.

Vice Mayor Reid reminded all of election day on Tuesday and Veterans' Day on Friday - City will be closed on Friday as well.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

9) ADJOURNMENT

a) REQUEST TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

§ 74-206(1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public-school student.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Reid moved to adjourn to Executive Session 74206(1) to consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public-school student. **Council Member Caval** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 6 to 0.

Adjourned to the executive session at 6:10 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.



Amy Luna, Administrative Assistant

For a full account of this meeting please visit tfid.org for the recording of this meeting