



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, August 28, 2023, 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 Members Craig Hawkins, Jason Brown, Spencer Cutler, Nikki Boyd & Alexandra Caval.

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Managers Mitch Humble & Gretchen Scott, Deputy City Attorney Nicole Swafford, Airport Manager Bill Carberry, CFO Breanna Howard, Executive Economic Development Director Shawn Barigar, Parks & Recreation Director Wendy Davis, Fleet Manager Norm Hatke, Police Chief Craig Kingsbury, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, Assistant Fire Chief Mitchell Brooks, Deputy City Clerk Amy Luna.

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

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

3) PROCLAMATIONS

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Brown** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- a) Request to approve City Council 2023 August 21, Minutes.
- b) Request to approve Accounts Payable for August 17-23, 2023.
- c) Request to approve August 23, 2023, Travel Requests.
- d) Request to approve 2023 July Wells Fargo Credit Card Summary.
- e) Request to approve the Special Event Permit for the organizers of the Regional Youth Dance.
- f) Request for City Council to authorize Honorable Mayor Pierce to sign the 2023 MOU between the City of Twin Falls and Twin Falls County for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant.
- g) Consideration of a request to accept public right-of-way.
- h) Consideration of a request to accept the Improvement Agreement for the purpose of developing El Milagro Subdivision No. 2.
- i) Consideration of a request to accept the Improvement Agreement for the purpose of developing Grand Finale Subdivision.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- a) Request to approve a \$500,000 revenue agreement between the City of Twin Falls and Delta Air Lines to help support the introductory period of two-daily flights between Twin Falls & Salt Lake City, featuring an upgraded 70-seat regional jet.

Airport Manager Carberry requested to approve a \$500,000 revenue agreement between the City of Twin Falls and Delta Air Lines to help support the introductory period of two-daily flights between Twin Falls & Salt Lake City, featuring an upgraded 70-seat regional jet.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Boyd moved to approve the request for a \$500,000 revenue agreement between the City of Twin Falls and Delta Air Lines to help support the introductory period of two-daily flights between Twin Falls & Salt Lake City, featuring an upgraded 70-seat regional jet. **Council Member Caval** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- b) Approval of Resolution 2023-012 authorizing the adoption of a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Plan.
Deputy City Manager Scott requested approval of **Resolution #2023-012** authorizing the adoption of a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Plan.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: **Vice Mayor Reid** moved to approve **Resolution #2023-012** authorizing the adoption of a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Plan. **Council Member Brown** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- c) A presentation on the status of projects awarded with the \$8,465,111 State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.
CFO Howard made a presentation on the status of projects awarded with the \$8,465,111 State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Vice Mayor Reid: Is not in favor of closing Shoshone Falls Road during the proposed months of January-June.

Council Member Caval: Agree that we should wait. Not interested in driving that road on a gravel base.

Council Member Brown: Agreed that another path needs to be looked at. Is there to be a separation between traffic and pedestrians?

Council Member Brown: When do you plan to do the roadwork on Hankins?

Council Member Caval: What is the anticipated completion date?

Council Member Brown: When do you plan on doing the training? Did the software come with the purchase?

Council Member Caval: What do you see this machine doing for you during an investigation? Are there other police departments within Idaho that are using this machine? Are you aware of any cases that have used this type of device during trials?

Mayor Pierce: Asked when the funds must be expended.

Vice Mayor Reid: Thanked all the committee members that worked on this project and the recipients that were here tonight to present their progress.

6) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

Citizen Scott Rickert spoke about his rental buildings and the Fire Department visit that was conducted last week. Staff will review the email that was sent and get with Mr. Rickert.

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Rothweiler advised the following changes:

Monday, September 4th is Labor Day, so the city will be closed.

Tuesday, September 5th, will be the City Council Meeting at 5:00 pm.

Monday, September 11th, the City Council Meeting has been cancelled.

Recess was called at 5:45 pm. Returned for Public Hearing at 6:00 pm.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a) A request to initiate the process to dispose of real property located at 912 Caswell Avenue West via public auction.

Deputy City Manager Humble made a request to initiate the process to dispose of real property located at 912 Caswell Avenue West via public auction.

Public Hearing Opened: 6:06 pm

Citizen Sue Haze lives adjacent to the lot and would like to purchase it.

Public Hearing Closed: 6:08 pm

Discussion ensued on the following:

Mayor Pierce: Asked about how the value was reached.

Council Member Brown: What is the zoning of this lot?

Vice Mayor Reid: Would the City lose any money if the sale price came in at \$64,500?

Council Member Caval: What is the means of notifying the public?

MOTION: Vice Mayor Reid moved to approve the request to initiate the process to dispose of real property located at 912 Caswell Avenue West via public auction, with a minimum bid to be set at \$64,500.00. **Council Member Caval** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

9) EXECUTIVE SESSION

10) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:11 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amy Luna".

Amy Luna, Deputy City Clerk

****If you wish to have a full accounting of this meeting, please listen to the recording that is located on our website. **** [Tfid.org](https://www.tfid.org)