



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, February 12, 2024, 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 Jason Brown (via Phone), Council Members Craig Hawkins, Christopher Reid, Spencer Cutler, Cherie Vollmer & Grayson Stone.

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Managers Mitch Humble & Gretchen Scott, City Attorney Bruce Castleton, Deputy City Attorney Nicole Swafford, Airport Manager Bill Carberry, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, Deputy Fire Chief Mittchell Brooks, Economic Development Director Shawn Barigar, City Planner Lisa Strickland, Water Distribution Supervisor Rob Bohling, TFT Ride Coordinator Maxine Durand, Police Chief Craig Kingsbury, Assistant to the City Manager Mandi Thompson, Planning & Zoning Director Jonathan Spendlove, Streets Superintendent Mark Thomson, Public Works Director Josh Baird, Parks & Recreation Director Wendy Davis, Help Desk Technician Brettrick Barker, 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 Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Hawkins** 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 2024 February 5, Minutes.
- b) Request to approve Accounts Payable for February 1-7, 2024.
- c) Request to approve La Michoacana Premium Ice Cream LLC Alcohol License Application
- d) Consideration of a request to accept public right-of-way.
- e) Request to accept the Improvement Agreement for the purpose of developing **Morning Sun Subdivision No. 10 (Phase 4)**.
- f) Request to approve a Trust Agreement for the **Golden Grove Subdivision**, placing all lots in trust.
- g) Request to accept the Improvement Agreement for the purpose of developing **Prosperity Hills Subdivision**.
- h) Request to approve a Trust Agreement for the **Prosperity Hills Subdivision**, placing all lots in trust.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- a) Request to adopt Ordinance 2024-004 to amend City Code 2-7-3 regarding membership of the Historic Preservation Commission.

City Planner Strickland requested to adopt **Ordinance #2024-004** to amend City Code 2-7-3 regarding membership of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Cutler: Is the liaison to this commission and is in favor.

MOTION: Council Member Cutler made a motion to dispense with reading the rules and put **Ordinance #2024-004** on third and final reading by title only. **Council Member Stone** seconded the motion. The Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

Mayor Pierce read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION: Council Member Cutler moved to approve the request to adopt **Ordinance #2024-004** to amend City Code 2-7-3 regarding membership of the Historic Preservation Commission. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

b) Ride TFT Six-Month Update

Transit Coordinator Durand gave a Ride TFT six-month update.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Mayor Pierce: Commented in favor of TFT and how it is going.

Council Member Stone: Asked about the projected numbers and if we will be able to accommodate them.

Council Member Reid: Asked about the vouchers and where to get them.

c) Request to present and review the Magic Valley Regional Airport's upcoming FAA capital improvement project plans.

Airport Manager Carberry made a presentation of the Magic Valley Regional Airport's upcoming FAA capital improvement project plans.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

d) Request to approve, and authorize the mayor to sign, an ITD grant application for \$1,000,000 to assist with FAA airport capital improvement project funding.

Airport Manager Carberry made a request to approve, and authorize the mayor to sign, an ITD grant application for \$1,000,000 to assist with FAA airport capital improvement project funding.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid: Do we have a timetable for when this money must be spent? Is this jointly with the county, and if so, are they on board?

MOTION: Council Member Stone moved to approve the request to approve, and authorize the mayor to sign, an ITD grant application for \$1,000,000 to assist with FAA airport capital improvement project funding. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

e) Request to present the Twin Falls Fire Department's 2023 Annual Report Brief to the City Council.

Fire Chief Kenworthy led the presentation of the Twin Falls Fire Department's 2023 Annual Report Brief.

Deputy Chief Brooks shared the Operational Highlights.

Firefighter Schmitz shared the Well & Safety programs.

Battalion Chief Hudson shared the Emergency Medical Services programs.

Battalion Chief Bean shared the Specialty Teams, Facilities & Policy programs.

Training Captain Bowman shared the Training program.

Fire Marshal Hammett shared the Community Risk Reduction program.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Stone: When they go through the academy, do they also get their red card?

f) Confirming the appointments of Mayor Ruth Pierce, Vice Mayor Jason Brown, Clark Kauffman, and City Manager Travis Rothweiler to serve as members of the policy board for the Magic Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MVMPO).

City Manager Rothweiler requested confirmation of the appointments of Mayor Ruth Pierce (3 year), Vice Mayor Jason Brown (2 year), Clark Kauffman and City Manager Travis Rothweiler (each 1 year) to serve as members of the policy board for the Magic Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MVMPO).

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Stone moved to approve the request to confirm the appointments of Mayor Ruth Pierce, Vice Mayor Jason Brown, Clark Kauffman, and City Manager Travis Rothweiler to serve as members of the policy board for the Magic Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MVMPO). **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

6) **GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT**

Citizen Cathie Dellett asked about the recycling program and if it was going to continue.

Mayor Pierce read a petition that was received in the mail today, regarding quality-of-life methods.

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Ried reported on the Airport Commission meeting and the Public Arts Council in relation to the electrical box art program.

Council Member Hawkins reminded all that there is a City/County meeting coming up as well as the AIC quarterly district meeting in April.

City Manager Rothweiler reminded us that there will be no meeting on February 19, 2024, due to it being Presidents' Day Holiday and the city offices will be closed.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

9) EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) § 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 Reid moved to adjourn to Executive Session 74206(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 Volmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

10) ADJOURNMENT

The regular session was adjourned at 06:59 PM. The Executive session adjourned at 7:50 PM.



Amy Luna, Deputy City Clerk

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