



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, September 30, 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, Council Members Craig Hawkins, Christopher Reid, Spencer Cutler, Cherie Vollmer & Grayson Stone (byPhone).

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Managers Mitch Humble & Gretchen Scott, City Attorney Bruce Castleton, Human Resources Director Kristen Kohntopp, Captain Matt Hicks, P&R Director Wendy Davis, P&R Project Coordinator Elois Joseph, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, Deputy Fire Chief Mitchell Brooks, City Engineer Troy Vitek, Environmental Manager Nathan Erickson, Public Works Director Josh Baird, 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) 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.

- Request to approve City Council 2024 September 23, Minutes.
- Request to approve Accounts Payable for September 19-25, 2024.
- Request to approve 2024 August Wells Fargo Credit Card Summary.
- Request for approval of Finding of Facts and Conclusions of Law for the following Final Plats: Ellis Subdivision (PZ24-0088), Grand Finale (PZ24-0092)

4) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- Request approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and Twin Falls Firefighters Local 1556.
HR Director Kohntopp requested approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and Twin Falls Firefighters Local 1556.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Brown moved to approve the request to Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and Twin Falls Firefighters Local 1556. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- Consider a recommendation from the Public Arts Commission to approve the selected artwork, artists, and placement of art for the Downtown Commons Mural Project.

P&R Director Davis requested consideration of a recommendation from the Public Arts Commission to approve the selected artwork, artists, and placement of art for the Downtown Commons Mural Project.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid: How long are we expecting these to last?

Council Member Cutler: Spoke in favor of the request

Vice Mayor Brown: Was there any explanation of why they did their art?

Council Member Hawkins: Thanked the staff for their efforts.

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the request to approve the selected artwork, artists, and placement of art for the Downtown Commons Mural Project. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- Request to enter negotiations with Wright Brothers Construction for CM/GC services associated with the Canyon Trail Junction and Chobani Wellness Park project.

P&R Director Davis requested to enter negotiations with Wright Brothers Construction for CM/GC services associated with the Canyon Trail Junction and Chobani Wellness Park project.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Mayor Pierce: Asked where Wright Brothers is out of.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to enter negotiations with Wright Brothers Construction for CM/GC services associated with the Canyon Trail Junction and Chobani Wellness Park project.

Vice Mayor Brown seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- d) Consideration of an independent contractor agreement with Bruce Castleton of Castleton Law, PLLC for City Attorney services as defined in Idaho Code Section 50-208A.

City Manager Rothweiler requested consideration of an independent contractor agreement with Bruce Castleton of Castleton Law, PLLC for City Attorney services as defined in Idaho Code Section 50-208A.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid: Asked the City Manager to go over the exceptions. Spoke in favor of this request.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request for an independent contractor agreement with Bruce Castleton of Castleton Law, PLLC for City Attorney services as defined in Idaho Code Section 50-208A.

Vice Mayor Brown seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

5) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

6) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Reid reported that there will be an Airport Board meeting on October 1, 2024.

Mayor Pierce spoke about the Twin Falls Police Awards Banquet.

Council Member Hawkins spoke about the Citizens Police Academy.

7) EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) EXECUTIVE SESSION §74-206(1)(c) To acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency; and (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 §74-206(1)(c) To acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency; and, (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 Cutler** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

8) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 05:25 PM. The regular meeting adjourned at 6:13 PM.



Amy Luna, Deputy City Clerk

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