

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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Vice Mayor



CORRECTED MINUTES

Meeting of the Twin Falls City Council

Monday, August 3, 2015

City Council Chambers

305 3rd Avenue East - Twin Falls, Idaho

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

PROCLAMATIONS: NONE

GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

AGENDA ITEMS

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Consideration of a request to approve the Accounts Payable for July 28 – August 3, 2015.
2. Consideration of a request to approve a Beer License for Don Juan's Mexican Restaurant at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. North, pending approval from Planning and Zoning; and, a Beer and Wine License for Serva Group, LLC., DBA KB's at 1520 Fillmore St., Suite 3, pending approval from Planning and Zoning.
3. Consideration of a request to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law for a PUD Amendment for Wills, Inc.

Purpose:

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By:

Sharon Bryan

Jennifer Westendorf

Rene'e V. Carraway-Johnson

II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Consideration of a request to approve the Ooh La La School Supplies Benefit Dinner to be held in the 100 Block of Main Avenue South/East on Saturday, August 15, 2015.
2. Consideration of a request to approve a contract between the City of Twin Falls and Terry's Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. for the completion of the HVAC upgrades at the Twin Falls Senior Center.
3. Consideration of a request to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls (URA) and Eastern Idaho Railroad, LLC (Railroad) to allow for the railroad to make improvements to the railroad crossing at 3300 E.
4. Consideration of a request to adopt an ordinance vacating a platted sanitary sewer easement to allow for an addition to the Canyon Ridge High School on property located at 300 North College Road for Twin Falls School District #411 (app. 2713).
5. A presentation of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2016 followed by citizen input.
6. Public input and/or items from the City Manager and City Council.

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Presentation

Liyah Babayan
Ron Fustos

Mandi Thompson

Josh Baird

Rene'e V. Carraway-Johnson

Mitchel Humble

III. ADVISORY BOARD REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 6:00 P.M. - NoneV. ADJOURNMENT:

Any person(s) needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting could contact Leila Sanchez at (208) 735-7287 at least two working days before the meeting. Si desea esta información en español, llame Leila Sanchez (208)735-7287.

Present: Suzanne Hawkins, Jim Munn, Shawn Barigar, Don Hall, Greg Lanting, Chris Talkington

Absent: Rebecca Mills Sojka

Staff: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, City Attorney Fritz Wonderlich, Assistant City Attorney Shayne Nope, Deputy City Manager Mitchel Humble, Deputy City Manager Brian Pike, Street Superintendent Dean Littler, Staff Sergeant Ron Fustos, Staff Engineer Josh Baird, Deputy City Clerk/Recording Secretary Leila A. Sanchez.

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. He then invited all present, who wished to, to recite the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag with him. A quorum is present.

CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

PROCLAMATION: None

GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT: None

AGENDA ITEMS

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Consideration of a request to approve the Accounts Payable for July 28 – August 3, 2015, total: \$1,102,058, July 31, 2015, Payroll, total: \$88,935.30.
2. Consideration of a request to approve a Beer License for Don Juan's Mexican Restaurant at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. North, pending approval from Planning and Zoning; and, a Beer and Wine License for Serva Group, LLC., DBA KB's at 1520 Fillmore St., Suite 3, pending approval from Planning and Zoning.
3. Consideration of a request to approve the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law for a PUD Amendment for Wills, Inc.

MOTION:

Councilmember Lanting made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barigar. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Consideration of a request to approve the Ooh La La School Supplies Benefit Dinner to be held in the 100 Block of Main Avenue South/East on Saturday, August 15, 2015.

Staff Sergeant Fustos explained the request. The Special Event Application has been approved by several relevant City staff members and the Twin Falls Police Department staff. It is recommended that this request be approved by the City Council as presented.

Liyah Babayan stated the event will raise funds for school supplies for refugees and to assist in stocking supply closets in the school district.

Councilmember Talkington explained that because of the shift in funding for public schools, supplies are typically purchased by teachers.

MOTION:

Councilmember Lanting made a motion to approve the Ooh La La School Supplies Benefit Dinner to be held in the 100 Block of Main Avenue South/East on Saturday, August 15, 2015, and approve the closure of streets for the time slated for the event. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barigar. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

2. Consideration of a request to approve a contract between the City of Twin Falls and Terry's Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. for the completion of the HVAC upgrades at the Twin Falls Senior Center.

Grant Writer Thompson explained the request.

The Twin Falls Senior Center, through the City of Twin Falls, was awarded a Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$149,586 in 2014. The scope of work for the facility improvements include replacement of HVAC system and duct network, replacement of entry and lobby doors, and ADA improvements to front entryway and parking lot. Bid documents were prepared and published, along with an addendum for clarification. There was only one bid received from Terry's Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. This bid was accepted and was within budget.

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the contract with Terry's Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. as presented.

Jeanette Roe, Twin Falls Senior Center, and Scott Bybee, Engineer, explained the request.

MOTION:

Councilmember Talkington made a motion to accept the contract between the City of Twin Falls and Terry's Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc. for the completion of the HVAC upgrades at the Twin Falls Senior Center, not to exceed \$111,040. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Hawkins.

Councilmember Barigar stated his concern of capping the project to \$111,040, not making an allowance for possible change orders.

Councilmember Talkington stated that his motion should reflect that the project is not to exceed the full grant amount of \$149,586. Vice Mayor Hawkins agreed with his motion.

Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

Discussion followed on Senior Center signage.

Jeanette Roe explained upcoming improvements to the center's signage and the completion of the installation of new carpet.

City Manager Rothweiler explained that allowing the Senior Center to use the City's bucket truck equipment was not safe and was also cost prohibitive for the City.

3. Consideration of a request to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls (URA) and Eastern Idaho Railroad, LLC (Railroad) to allow for the railroad to make improvements to the railroad crossing at 3300 East.

Staff Engineer Baird explained the request.

As part of the Development Agreement and subsequent amendment with Clif Bar, the City has agreed to improve the railroad crossing at 3300 East. The improvement planned is the addition of a signal, without gates, and associated appurtenances. Minor surface improvements are also planned on both sides of the tracks on 3300 East to allow for a smoother transition between the roadway surface and the railroad tracks.

To facilitate the improvement, the railroad requires an agreement with those involved, as the Railroad will either perform the work themselves or directly manage the work by others.

Cost estimates are now in the agreement. Estimated cost of the work is \$162,000 for signals, \$49,507 for at-grade surface improvements, and \$4,000 for railroad flagging.

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

Discussion followed.

MOTION:

Vice Mayor Hawkins made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls URA and Eastern Idaho Railroad, LLC to allow for the railroad to make improvements to the railroad crossing at 3300 East. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Talkington. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

4. Consideration of a request to adopt an ordinance vacating a platted sanitary sewer easement to allow for an addition to the Canyon Ridge High School on property located at 300 North College Road for Twin Falls School District #411 (app. 2713).

Deputy City Manager Humble explained the request.

At their City Council meeting held on June 29, 2015, the Council directed staff to prepare an ordinance for Council consideration. Staff recommends the city council adopt the ordinance so it can be published and codified.

MOTION:

Councilmember Lanting made a motion to suspend the rules and place Ordinance 3103 on third and final reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor ~~Hawkins Lanting~~. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

Deputy City Clerk Sanchez read the Ordinance by title only, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, VACATING THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED BELOW AND PROVIDING FOR VESTING OF TITLE TO THE PROPERTY SO VACATED."

MOTION:

Councilmember Talkington made a motion to approve Ordinance 3103, as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lanting. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

5. A presentation of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2016 followed by citizen input.

Deputy City Manager Humble explained that his presentation will focus on how the recommended budget for FY 2016 is connected to the City's 2030 Strategic plan, with special emphasis on Focus Areas 4 and 5.

He discussed the following:

- Property Tax, Adopted Budget, Recommended Budget, and Difference.
- Budget concepts and funding strategies
- Seven primary focus areas were developed
- Property Tax Collections

- Side by Side Comparisons FY 2015 to FY 2016 – total taxable value, total net revenues, total tax collection and taxes per \$1,000 in value.
- Side by Side Comparisons – FY 2015 adopted budget and FY 2016 proposed budget.
- Implement 2030 City of Twin Falls Strategic Planning goals and objectives to realize outcomes.
- Connection to the City's 2030 Strategic Plan and the eight focus areas.
- Focus Area 4: Accessible Community and Focus Area 5: Environmental Community
- Personnel positions and justification for a Street Operator and Planner 1
- Capital projects

Council discussion followed.

Councilmember Talkington asked when the reconstruction of Eastland South would start.

Mayor Hall discussed the importance of the connectivity of sidewalks

Vice Mayor Hawkins asked how the public is notified of street sweeping

Street Superintendent Littler explained the difficulty of scheduling street sweeping. In the past, the Streets Department scheduled street sweeping causing more aggravation to the residents if a delay was caused because of weather and other priorities.

Mayor Hall explained that southern California has specific days for sweeping and disperses tickets if vehicles interfere with the sweeping.

Deputy City Manager Humble continued his presentation:

- Focus Area 5 – Environmental Community
- Personnel: Planner 1
- Capital projects
- FY 2016 – Property tax, adopted budget, and difference.

City Manager Rothweiler explained that based on the information he received today, the City's total tax value had increased \$14 million compared to the prior year. The tax rate may appear to be in the range of \$7.72 per \$1000 taxable value. This would be a \$5 reduction over the course of the year than the current budget being presented. The information to the City is tentative.

Mayor Hall opened up the meeting for public comment. No public input was received.

6. Public input and/or items from the City Manager and City Council.

City Manager Rothweiler reported on the following:

August 10, 2015, Dennis Bowyer Park sign dedication

August 10, 2015, Request to adopt the preliminary budget adoption

August 24, 2015, Budget public hearing and request to adopt the budget

August 13, 2015, City Employee Picnic

August 4, 2015, National Night Out at City Park

III. ADVISORY BOARD REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Councilmember Talkington gave an update on the Potential Art Project at North Five Points held today, August 3, 2015. A request for proposals is currently being prepared and a request for consideration will be presented to the Council for approval

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 6:00 P.M. - None

Minutes

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V. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Leila A. Sanchez

Deputy City Clerk/Recording Secretary