

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO,
HELD AT THE LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM

June 17, 2014

The Mayor and Council of the City of Coeur d'Alene met in a regular session of said Council at the Coeur d'Alene City Library Community Room June 17, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., there being present upon roll call the following members:

Steve Widmyer, Mayor

Woody McEvers)	Members of Council Present
Kiki Miller)	
Steve Adams)	
Dan Gookin)	
Amy Evans)	
Loren Ron Edinger)	Member of Council Absent

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Widmyer.

INVOCATION: Pastor Dave Hoit, Prairie Avenue Christian Center, provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Adams.

AMENDMENT TO AGENDA: **Motion** by Gookin, seconded by McEvers to amend the order of the agenda to move the Public Hearings before Other Business items. **Motion Carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mike Andu, Coeur d'Alene, expressed concern regarding the bike trail along Mullan Avenue and 20th Street. He is concerned that the bike path is packed with people walking dogs, bikes, and now triathletes moving as fast as cars and that there will be a pedestrian vehicle accident. He recommends that there be a bike path on both sides of the street and that the City remove on-street parking. Councilmember Adams stated that the Parking Commission has discussed the idea of creating Young Avenue as a pedestrian only boulevard. Mr. Andu stated that he is more worried about the triathletes continuing to use Mullan Avenue. Councilman Gookin stated that there are other streets in the city with cars moving too fast and Mullan is one of several that are concerning. He stated that he has talked to the City Engineer and the Police Department, and law enforcement will enhance enforcement on Mullan Avenue.

CONSENT CALENDAR: **Motion** by McEvers, seconded by Gookin to approve the consent calendar as amended.

1. Approval of Council Minutes for June 3, 2014.
2. Approval of Bills as Submitted.

3. Setting of General Services and Public Works Committees meetings for June 23, 2014, 2014 at 12:00 noon and 4:00 p.m. respectively.
4. Approval of Beer and Wine License for the Country Club dba The Rocker Room; 216 E. Coeur d'Alene Avenue, Jack Tawney, Mike Lyou, and Dave Pulis (name change).
5. Approval of Beer and Wine License for the Bulwark Barber, LLC; 204 N. 3rd Street, Tanden Laundry (new).
6. Approval of Beer and Wine License for the Daft Badger Brewing, LLC; 1710 N. 2nd Street, Darrell Dlouhy (new).
7. Approval of Cemetery lot transfer from Joseph and Frances Chapman to William Chapman; Lots 274, 284, and 294 Block A, Riverview, Forest Cemetery.
8. Approval of S-1-12.m, Cottage Grove Second Addition – final plat approval.
9. Approval of SS-4-14, Fruit Lands Second Addition – final plat approval.
10. Approval of **Resolution No. 14-023** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING THE BELOW MENTIONED CONTRACTS AND OTHER ACTIONS OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE INCLUDING APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH COEUR D'ALENE NORTH HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION FOR CITY OWNED PROPERTY; ISLES OF TROY, LOT 1, BLOCK 2, URD LAKE DISTRICT 1997, SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 50N, RANGE 4 WEST; APPROVING A LEASE OF CITY-OWNED PARKING LOTS TO THE COEUR D'ALENE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ON THE 4TH OF JULY; APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH FATBEAM, LLC FOR FIBER TO 1424 E. SHERMAN AVENUE; AND APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH EASTLAKE, LLC FOR RENTAL OF 1424 E. SHERMAN AVENUE FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT SUB-STATION.

ROLL CALL: Gookin Aye, Miller Aye; Evans Aye; Adams Aye; McEvers Aye. **Motion Carried.**

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Councilmember Adams stated that he will be out of town on Monday, so there will be no General Services Committee on that day, June 23, 2014. Any agenda items will be forwarded to the Public Works Committee which meets at 4:00 p.m. on that same day. He asked if the names of the people serving on the committee for the police chief recruitment could be made public. Mayor Widmyer stated that the list has been made public several times and is public information. He will ask that another press release with that information be sent out.

Councilmember Evans stated that the Arts Commission is looking for nominations for the Mayor's Art Awards, and encouraged citizens to fill out the nomination forms on the city website at www.cdavid.org.

Councilmember Gookin stated that city staff had a 3-on-3 basketball tournament fundraiser last night and thanked everyone for their participation.

Councilmember McEvers stated that Robert Singletary will be continuing his History of Coeur d'Alene series with a discussion of the 1950s on Thursday, June 25 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Library Community Room. Additionally, he stated that he wanted to withdraw the motion he

made at the last City Council meeting regarding the hiring of the City Administrator. He believes it is in the best interest of the City to let the system of open recruitment move forward, although he still appreciates Mr. Tymesen. Councilmember Miller stated that she is good with the removal of the item, as she seconded the motion to allow a fellow councilmember to have their time to discuss the issue.

MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENT: The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the appointment of Tina Johnson to the Natural Open Space Committee.

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Evans to approve the appointment of Tina Johnson to the Natural Open Space Committee. **Motion carried.**

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Interim City Administrator Troy Tymesen announced that the Coeur d'Alene 2030 Visioning Project is celebrating the community's vision for our city's future on Wednesday, June 25th, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Live After Five Event on the corner of 6th & Sherman Avenue. He stated that the City is in the punch list phase of the McEuen Park project, as there are a couple of modifications to the recirculating water system and some landscaping to be completed. Additionally, he reminded motorists who park at the new parking structure adjacent to McEuen Park that they must obtain a ticket from the automatic pay stations. The first two hours of parking is free; however, motorists must still display a ticket in their vehicle indicating what time they arrived. Three pay stations are located at the Third Street Entrance, and at the bottom of the stairs on 5th Street and 6th Street. He congratulated Assistant Water Superintendent Terry Pickel for passing his Class 1 Water Distribution test last week. There are only 69 other Class 1 water operators in Idaho. Colorful and creative artwork continues to pop up all over town as part of Coeur d'Alene's Utility Box Beautification project. The city's Arts Commission recently selected 18 new pieces of artwork created by 13 local artists that will soon be on display on utility boxes across the city – from Appleway, to Fourth Street, to Riverstone. Since the city implemented the beautification project three years ago, 35 utility boxes have been wrapped with the vinyl artwork created by artists, graphic designers, photographers, illustrators, and other individuals eager to share their artistic imagination. That number will increase to 53 once the latest art selections are installed later this summer. Local artists who have their talent on display include students from elementary, middle and high schools who have designed their own creations for 12 utility boxes at six schools. Mayor Steve Widmyer read to a group of Sorensen Magnet School students last Thursday before giving each student a book. The only requirement is the students are asked to read it to someone. The NIC wrestling team has distributed more than 13,000 books to elementary students through the Shirley Parker Reading program, which was established in 2002 in partnership with Parker Toyota. The program was named in honor of Doug Parker's late wife, Shirley, who was a big supporter of both reading and wrestling. The program puts at least one book in the hands of every first-grader in the Coeur d'Alene School District each year. Long-time, faithful Police Department Volunteer Coordinator Wally Connally passed away this weekend, at the age of 92. He started volunteering at the Police Department in 1995 and continued in his role until he reached the age of 90. Wally had an incredibly interesting life filled with service to his Country and community, and was named Hayden Veteran of the Year in 2009. Municipal Milestones, a monthly e-newsletter covering city news and events, employees, departments at work, and other timely city information and issues, made its debut on Tuesday, June 10th. The newsletter will be

emailed on the second Tuesday of each month. To view the newsletter and instructions for receiving a monthly email version, visit the city's website www.cdavid.org, and click on the icon on the lower left corner. Taking advantage of the seasonably warm temperatures street crews were able to begin spring striping and crosswalk painting. With 120 miles of centerline striping, and 1800 crosswalks/arrows revisited annually, crews will spend the majority of the summer accomplishing this task. Coeur d'Alene's Wastewater Utility Department received high honors from the Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce's Education Committee for its outstanding commitment to education. Wastewater Superintendent Sid Fredrickson accepted the committee's A+ award for going above and beyond the call of duty in educating local youth about the city's cutting-edge wastewater treatment operation. Wastewater employees routinely provide tours of the plant where they explain the chemistry and technology involved in the treatment process. Specialized Needs Recreation is seeking volunteers ages 13 and up to help with Camp Allstars, a summer day camp for children with special needs. The camp runs Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for 11 weeks, June 9 through August 22. Volunteers choose their own schedule and it is not mandatory to volunteer every day. For more information, call Angie Goucher at 755-6781. Coeur d'Alene Mayor Steve Widmyer has established a direct telephone line for callers to leave a comment, idea or concern. To leave a message 24/7 with the mayor, call 769-2220, extension 503, or visit the city's website and click on the icon shown on the screen.

Resolution No. 14-024

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO ADOPTING THE CDA 2030 COMMUNITY VISION STATEMENT, STRATEGIES AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.

Dr. Buck stated that the CDA 2030 Vision project management team is requesting the City Council adopt the CDA 2030 Community Vision, Strategies and proposed Implementation Plan. This was intended to be a one year project with the past few months being concentrated effort of data review and consolidation of deliverables into a format that would be useful to the community. Two deliverables were the vision booklet, including a vision in each of the 6 focus areas, and an implementation plan. At the June 25th celebration the vision booklets will be available. He stated that the celebration will be a lot of fun and includes some giveaways and free cupcakes in celebration of the community plan. The deliverable of the implementation plan includes several items that participants have already been taking action upon, such as the "Let's Move" program with Panhandle Health District. Another example of an item already moving forward is the Four-Corner project and connecting bike trails. The group is working with partners to take on specific projects. He thanked Nicole Kahler and Chett Gaede for their tireless work. Within the implementation plan there are 78 action items identified for the City to lead, so he is asking the City to formally adopt the plan for the community benefit of moving forward.

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Miller to approve Resolution No. 14-024 adopting the CDA Vision 2030 Community Vision Statement, Strategies, and Implementation Plan.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Widmyer thanked Dr. Buck, Steve Wilson, Nicole, and Chuck for their time and effort put into this strategic plan. Councilmember McEvers stated that he has watched Dr. Buck's enthusiasm over the past year and stated that he is very thorough in his work. He thanked Dr. Buck and his team for their dedication. Dr. Buck stated that it has been a fun and energizing project. Councilmember Adams stated that he has opposed this project from the beginning as he does not think it falls within the role of government. Additionally, there is an ideology behind these vision projects; specifically, Agenda 21 and sustainable development requirements. Councilmember Adams believes that these type of projects lead to property right restrictions. He encouraged the City Council and the community to conduct research into this ideology. Mayor Widmyer asked Councilmember Adams what would be a property right restriction. Councilmember Adams stated that examples would be sustainability and green building requirements, as well as when people are forced into things such as sprinkler systems. Additionally, he mentioned forced community involvement such as recycling. Mayor Widmyer clarified that the 2030 vision would not force such issues, as the City Council would create and vote on such restrictions. Councilmember Adams stated that he believes this is the initiation of such restrictions. Councilmember Gookin stated that special appreciation should be given to Mr. Gridley, as he championed this project. Mr. Gridley stated that the volunteers, those that filled out the survey and the public that brought forward their suggestions should also be thanked. Councilmember Miller clarified that the adoption of the resolution does not guarantee any funding or commitment for future funding.

ROLL CALL: Miller Aye; Evans Aye; Adams No; McEvers Aye; Gookin Aye. **Motion carried.**

Authorization to apply for a COPS Grant for three Police Officers.

STAFF REPORT: Interim Police Chief Ron Clark stated that the City has grown and attracts thousands of visitors every day. Additionally, calls for service and reported crimes have increased; therefore, he is requesting the ability to seek a grant for three years of funding for three police officers, with the fourth year being covered 100% by the City. He clarified that the grant must be applied to a specific program; and the city's program would be community policing. The first three years of financing would be \$375,000 of federal funding with the City's match of \$56,585 the first year, \$80,425 the second and \$190,932 for the third year. The fourth year the City would be responsible for the full amount of those three officers which will be approximately \$275,000.

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Gookin to authorize staff to apply for a COPS grant for three Police Officers.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember McEvers clarified the city has applied for these grants before. Chief Clark stated that the Police Department applied last year, but they were not successful. Councilmember McEvers asked if the funding would need to go toward newly hired police. Chief Clark confirmed that they must be new hires. Councilmember Adams expressed concern about obligating the city to funds that we may not be able to sustain in the fourth year of the grant. Mr. Tymesen stated that there are at least three officer positions expected to be open through attrition, such as retirement, over the next four years. He also stated that these grants have been used in the past and he is very comfortable with this grant program. Councilmember Gookin stated that his

priority is to increase the number of Police Officers, and asked for clarification that this program would increase the number of Police Officers. Mr. Tymesen stated that it is an increase in officers; and that he was trying to clarify that the city could sustain the funding and that each year the City Council has the opportunity to determine if they want to increase staff but it would not be a financial burden at this point in time. Mayor Widmyer stated that within the discussion of attrition or retirement, there could be some restructuring at another level within the department.

Motion carried with Adams voting No.

Council Bill 14-1011

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, AMENDING SECTION 15.06.050 TO REQUIRE DEVELOPERS OF LARGE BUILDINGS TO EQUIP FIREFIGHTER EQUIPMENT ROOMS WITH FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN EMERGENCIES; PROVIDING REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING THE PUBLICATION OF A SUMMARY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Adams to pass the first reading of Council Bill No. 14-1011.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Gookin stated that he was concerned about the equipment rooms being empty and that helping the fire crews out is a good thing.

ROLL CALL: Evans Aye; Adams Aye; McEvers Aye; Miller Aye, Gookin Aye. **Motion carried.**

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Evans to suspend the rules and to adopt Council Bill No. 14-1011 by its having had one reading by title only.

ROLL CALL: Evans Aye; Adams Aye; McEvers Aye; Miller Aye, Gookin Aye. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Community Development Block Grant Plan Year 2013 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to be held June 17, 2014.

STAFF REPORT: Sherri Wastweet, Grant Administrator with Panhandle Area Council stated that the City is required by HUD to submit an annual performance report with a fifteen-day public comment period. The notice of the public comment period and notice of public hearing were published on June 2, 2014, and June 10, 2014, with the public comment period ending June 17, 2014. No comments have been received. Ms. Wastweet presented information regarding the annual use of entitlement program funds and reiterated that the funds need to be used to benefit low to moderate income citizens. Projects included accessible sidewalks along Harrison Avenue and Foster Avenue, final payment of the Homestead property purchase, and emergency minor home repairs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mayor Widmyer called for public comments with none being received.

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Gookin to approve the Plan Year 2013 CAPER for submittal to HUD.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember McEvers asked what happened with the Habitat for Humanity home. Ms. Wastweet explained the Habitat waiting list has larger families than this small two-bedroom home will house and that they are looking to sell the home with a low-income deed restriction. Councilmember McEvers stated that the Emergency Minor Home Repair Program (EMRAP) is very popular and wondered if there is a chance to increase that line item. Ms. Wastweet stated that she would love to put more into the program every year and when there are funds left over from other projects, they are moved to EMRAP. Councilmember Gookin asked about the 16.3% administration fund. Ms. Wastweet stated that it was under the 20% cap that is allowable by HUD, which allows those funds to go into programs. Councilmember Miller stated that additional representatives from Panhandle Area Council were present and wanted to thank Cynthia Reyburn, Chief Financial Officer, and Jim Hammond, Executive Director for their work.

Motion carried.

Resolution No. 14-025

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO SETTING FEES FOR MILL RIVER LIFT STATION SURCHARGE & BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENTS & FIREFIGHTER EQUIPMENT ROOM EQUIPMENT FEE AND ADOPTING THE IDAHO FIRE SERVICE ORGANIZATION RATE BOOK.

STAFF REPORT: Troy Tymesen, Finance Director stated that the fees requested tonight are new and more than a 5% increase, which required a public hearing. He explained that the boundary line adjustment fee of \$500.00 stems from the newly adopted subdivision ordinance. Mike Becker, Utility Project Manager, stated that the Mill River lift station surcharge came forward to cover the cost associated with increased capacity to the plant. JUB Engineering reviewed the density and made the recommendation to the master plan specifically for the Mill River area to include a \$450.00 per equivalent residential unit surcharge. Fire Chief Gabriel stated that the two items coming forward are important to the Fire Department. The firefighter equipment room requirement was added to the city code several years ago, during the recession; therefore, they avoided adding the equipment purchase at that time. He believes that this is the perfect time to ask for approval for the developers to pay for the equipment to the rooms required in high rise buildings. The Fire Department presented this information to NIBCA and received their support. The second fire related fee is the acceptance of the Idaho Fire Service Organization Rate Book which provides a standard for reimbursement rates to insurance companies and charge back amounts for mutual aid agreement usage throughout the state.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mayor Widmyer called for public comments with none being received.

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by to approve the Resolution No. 14-025 approving various fee increases within the Engineering, Wastewater, and Fire Departments.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember McEvers asked for clarification of the projected flow, and the effect of the capacity at the plant. Mr. Becker stated that this projection would only affect the capacity into the plant. Councilmember Miller asked if, during the performance analysis, they included upgrades at the plant, up keep, and replacement items. Mr. Becker stated that replacement would be paid for by other fees and this would be used to provide the level of service needed as long as the parameters of the analysis stay the same. He clarified that if a higher usage comes forward a new analysis would need to be done. Councilmember Evans asked if the firefighter equipment room fee would cover replacement of equipment over the years. Chief Gabriel stated that if the Fire Department breaks the piece of equipment they would replace it. Councilmember Miller asked how often the rooms would be inspected. Chief Gabriel stated that the rooms would be inspected once a month, and that the engine companies could do a review when they are in the area. Councilmember McEvers asked if the rate book applied to Forest Service work. Chief Gabriel stated that it would set the reimbursement rate.

ROLL CALL: Adams Aye; McEvers Aye; Gookin Aye; Miller Aye; Evans Aye. **Motion carried.**

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Gookin, that there being no further business before the Council, this meeting be adjourned. **Motion Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Steve Widmyer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Renata McLeod, City Clerk