Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, December 14, 2020, 5:00 PM

City Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Present: Mayor Suzanne Hawkins, Vice Mayor Ruth Pierce, Council Member Shawn Barigar (by phone), Craig Hawkins, Greg Lanting, Christopher Reid & Nikki Boyd.

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, City Attorney Shayne Nope, Police Chief Craig Kingsbury, City Planner Lisa Strickland, Street Superintendent Mark Thomson, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, Assistant to the City Manager Mandi Thompson, Finance Director Breanna Howard, P&Z Director Jonathan Spendlove, Network Administrator Mike Plane, Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

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

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

3) PROCLAMATIONS: None

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Members Lanting & Boyd requested consent item B be voted on separately.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Pierce moved to approve the Consent Calendar Items A & C as presented. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar Items B as presented. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 5 to 0 with 2 abstentions.

a) Request to approve the Accounts Payable for December 3-9, 2020.
b) Request to approve December 7, 2020, City Council Minutes.
c) Request to approve the City Council Schedule of Regular Meetings & Public Hearings for 2021.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

a) Request to approve the FY2022 Certified Local Government Grant application to the Idaho State Historical Society from the Twin Falls City Historic Preservation Commission.

City Planner Strickland requested to approve the FY2022 Certified Local Government Grant application to the Idaho State Historical Society from the Twin Falls City Historic Preservation Commission.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Hawkins: Thanked for all the work that has gone into this project.

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the FY2022 Certified Local Government Grant application to the Idaho State Historical Society from the Twin Falls City Historic Preservation Commission. **Council Member Boyd** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

b) Request to purchase a 2021 Etnyre oil distributor truck for $173,500.00 by "piggy-backing" off a competitively bid contract from Bannock County.

Street Superintendent Thomson requested to purchase a 2021 Etnyre oil distributor truck for $173,500.00 by "piggy-backing" off a competitively bid contract from Bannock County.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Boyd: What is the amount of the trade-in? ($15,000.00)

MOTION: Council Member Boyd moved to approve the request to purchase a 2021 Etnyre oil distributor truck for $173,500.00 by "piggy-backing" off a competitively bid contract from Bannock County. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

c) Request to approve and award of a master contract between the City of Twin Falls and Pivot North Architects for design and construction management services for the development of the new construction for Twin Falls fire stations two, three, Twin Falls fire training center, and a minimal remodel or updates of fire station one.

Fire Chief Kenworthy requested to approve and award of a master contract between the City of Twin Falls & Pivot North Architects for design and construction management services for the development of the new Construction for Twin Falls fire stations two, three, Twin Falls fire training center, and a minimal remodel or updates of fire station one.

Discussion ensued on the following: None

MOTION: Vice Mayor Pierce moved to approve the request to award of a master contract between the City of Twin Falls & Pivot North Architects for design and construction management services for the development of the new Construction for Twin Falls fire stations two, three, Twin Falls fire training center, and a minimal remodel or updates of fire station one. **Council Member Barigar** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

d) Request to approve the RFQ for the CM/GC for the construction of fire station #2 and #3 and the fire training center.

Assistant to the City Manager Thompson requested to approve the RFQ for the CM/GC for the construction of fire stations two, three, and the fire training center.

Discussion ensued on the following: None

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the RFQ for the CM/GC for the construction of fire stations two, three, and the fire training center. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

6) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Reid reported on the Library and that they are open by appointment.
Council Member Lanting talked about using the Library recently.
Council Member Hawkins talked about the Historic Commission display in the foyer of City Hall.
Mayor Hawkins talked about the AIC meeting with the Legislators in January being canceled.
Council Member Barigar spoke about meeting with the Legislators via Zoom.
City Manager Rothweiler stated that the City Council Meeting will be held on December 21, 2020, canceled on December 28, 2020, and will resume normal meetings on January 4, 2021.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

a) A Public hearing on a fee increase for the 1 ½ inch meter fee and golf punch passes in addition to new fees being proposed for Aerial Reproduction images.

Finance Director Howard presented a fee increase for the 1-1/2-inch meter fee and golf punch passes in addition to new fees being proposed for Aerial Reproduction images.

Public Hearing Opened: 6:10 pm
Public Hearing Closed: 6:11 pm

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Lanting: Spoke about the Golf punch pass is a Season Pass.
Vice Mayor Pierce: Clarified on the Golf pass.

MOTION: Council Member Lanting moved to approve Resolution #2020-020 pertaining to fee increases. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

b) Request for an Annexation with a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment from R2 CRO to RM CRO ZDA for 11.08 (+/-) acres located at the southwest corner of Federation Road and Washington Street North c/o EHM Engineers, Inc. on behalf of Hepworth Family Landholdings, LLC. (PZ20-0104)

P&Z Director Spendlove requested for an Annexation with a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment from R2 CRO to RM CRO ZDA for 11.08(+/-) acres located at the southwest corner of Federation Road and Washington Street North c/o EHM Engineers, Inc. on behalf of the Hepworth Family Landholdings, LLC. (PZ20-0104)

The applicant representative spoke about the request.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Mayor Hawkins: Asked for clarification of the R4 zone.
Council Member Barigar: Asked for clarification on the setback and perimeter buffers.

Public Hearing Opened: 6:32 pm

Public Input ensued as follows:
Citizen Michael Danielson: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Michael Wendler: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Amy Wendler: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Alan Obray: Spoke against this request. Citizen Kerrie Obray: Spoke against this request. Citizen Logan Campbell: Spoke against this request. Citizen Josh Dean: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Jake Cartwright: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Marie Tanner: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Dustin Tanner: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Randy Blair: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Heather Hill: Spoke against this request. Citizen Barry Hill: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Danny Wariner: Spoke against this request. Citizen Kim Fultz: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Kirt Melton: Spoke against this request. Citizen Heather Melton: Spoke against this request. Citizen Angela Heider: Spoke against this request. Citizen Justin Heider: Spoke against this request.
Citizen Wendy Kerr: Spoke against this request.
Citizen John Wright: Spoke against this request.

The applicant made a closing statement regarding this application.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Lanting: Asked for clarification on the blank lots to the south of the proposed project.
Council Member Barigar: What would the traffic counts be or what would the typical capacities be?
Mayor Hawkins: At the corner of Washington & Federation, would there be a way to allow for foot traffic or transition at that corner?
Deputy City Manager Humble: Addressed the on-street parking issue.
Council Member Lanting: Addressed the bottlenecks at the edges of the project. Asked about Right-of-way issues.
Deputy City Manager Humble: Addressed the right-of-way issue.
City Attorney Nope: Talked about the legal issues related to this project.
Vice Mayor Pierce: Spoke about the traffic issue. Is there a general rule of thumb on the traffic counts due to the commercial area?
Deputy City Manager Humble: Clarified what the Council needs to vote on today.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:38 pm

Council Member Lanting: Spoke about his concerns with this request. Will be voting against this request.

Council Member Boyd: Spoke in favor of this project.
Council Member Barigar: Spoke in favor of this project.
Council Member Reid: Thanked the applicant and the Citizens who were here. Will be voting against this request. Would like to see a better transition.
Council Member Hawkins: Spoke on the complexity of this project. Does not believe that this project fits the area. Will be voting against this request.
Vice Mayor Pierce: Likes the idea of some residential but the density is too much. Will be voting against this request.
Mayor Hawkins: Spoke to the Citizens about their comments. Spoke in favor of the transition and the need for multi-family homes. Would like to see another plan brought back with a few things softened up to make it work. Will be voting against this request.
Council Member Barigar: Spoke about the flexibility of other projects around Twin Falls. What should be the process going forward so that this project is not derailed? **City Attorney Nope**: Addressed the process going forward.

MOTION: Council Member Barigar moved to approve the request for an Annexation with a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment from R2 CRO to RM CRO ZDA for 11.08(+/-) acres located at the southwest corner of Federation Road and Washington Street North c/o EHM Engineers, Inc. on behalf of the Hepworth Family Landholdings, LLC. (PZ20-0104). **Council Member Lanting** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present and voted. **Motion failed 3 to 4.**

9) ADJOURNMENT

a) ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION §74-206 (1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student and Executive Session §74- 206(1)(c) To acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to adjourn to executive session §74-206 (1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent, or public school student and Executive Session §74-206(1)(c) To acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

Adjourned to Executive Session at 5:33 p.m. - Resumed for Public Hearings at 6:05 p.m.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Pierce moved to adjourn back into executive session §74-206 (1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent, or public school student. **Council Member Boyd** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 7 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 08:09 PM



Amy Luna, Finance Administrative Assistant

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