Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, October 18, 2021, 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.

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, Captain Matt Hicks, Airport Manager William Carberry, Human Resource Director Gretchen Scott, 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

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted on the motion. Motion passed 6 to 0 with Council Member Reid abstaining.

a) Request to approve Accounts Payable for October 7-13, 2021.
b) Request to approve October 11, 2021, City Council Minutes.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

a) Request to award a bid and contract to Terry's Heating & Air Conditioning for replacing the airport terminal heat pump units.

Airport Manager Carberry requested to award a bid and contract to Terry's Heating & Air Conditioning for replacing the airport terminal heat pump units.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Mayor Hawkins: Asked for clarification of the funding as being CARES funds. Is this a split with the County?
Council Member Boyd: Spoke about the ionization portion.

MOTION: Council Member Boyd moved to approve the request to award a bid and contract to Terry's Heating & Air Conditioning for replacing the airport terminal heat pump units for $301,076.00 with the $30,000 in deficiencies to come from reserves. **Council Member Reid** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

b) Request by Sequoia Schmidt to lease space in the airport terminal to operate a retail bookstore.

Airport Manager Carberry presented a request by Sequoia Schmidt to lease space in the airport terminal to operate a retail bookstore.

Sequoia Schmidt made a presentation of her proposal.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Reid: Asked if the proposal was for before or after TSA. Would books be the only items for sale?
Council Member Lanting: Asked where the location is outside of TSA.
Council Member Boyd: Spoke about the new terminal area and the no retail policy that they have.
Vice Mayor Pierce: Asked if they have had a conversation with the restaurant as a selling location.
Council Member Lanting: Spoke about waiting for someone to arrive and trying to find something to do. Does not go thru TSA until he absolutely must. Retail items are sold in the restaurant area.
Mayor Hawkins: Spoke in favor of this option.
Airport Manager Carberry presented the Airport side of this option.
Airport Commissioner Tom Frank: Reported on the presentation made to the commission and their recommendation.
Council Member Lanting: Talked about the available space.
Mayor Hawkins: Asked about TSA space.
Council Member Barigar: Spoke about the fit of this proposal.
Mayor Hawkins: Asked about a kiosk instead of a retail space.
Council Member Reid: Spoke about the expectations when going to an airport. Spoke on how to move forward. Would like to see the airport to investigate this as an option.
Council Member Lanting: Spoke in favor of seeing something out there. Would like to see the commission investigate this.
Council Member Hawkins: Spoke in favor of this proposal but needs to consider the airports' recommendations.
Vice Mayor Pierce: Spoke in favor of looking into this.
Council Member Boyd: Spoke about what is going on at the airport.
Council Member Reid: Spoke about the applicant coming in with her own money to see if this option would work. Acknowledges that space could be a concern.
Council Member Barigar: Spoke about franchise/concessionaires in public space conversations that have happened in the past. Would like to implement the same policy/ procedures that the City currently uses for these.
Mayor Hawkins: Spoke about the proposal.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request by Sequoia Schmidt to lease space in the airport terminal to operate a retail bookstore. **Council Member Lanting** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted on the motion. Motion failed 2 to 5.

6) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Lanting reported on the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting.
Council Member Barigar spoke about the upcoming election.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

9) EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

10) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 06:03 PM



Amy Luna, Finance Administrative Assistant

For a full account of this meeting please visit tfid.org for the recording of this meeting