Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, January 29, 2024, 12:00 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.

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Gretchen Scott, Assistant to the City Manager Mandi Thompson, Police Chief Craig Kingsbury, Fire ChiefLes Kenworthy, Human Resources Director Kristen Kohntopp, City Engineer Troy Vitek, Public Works Director Josh Baird, Economic Development Director Shawn Barigar, Desktop Support Kim Hafer, Deputy City Clerk Amy Luna.

Mayor Pierce called the meeting to order at 12:00 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) PROCLAMATIONS

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Vollmer** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

a) Request to approve City Council 2024 January 22, Minutes.
b) Request to approve Accounts Payable for January 18-24, 2024.
c) Request to approve January 24, 2024, Travel Requests.

5) WORK SESSION

a) Strategic Plan & Citizen Survey Discussion

City Manager Rothweiler opened the work session with a brief explanation of what the purpose of the work session would be going forward. Presented an overview of the Strategic Plan process.

Phil Kushlan spoke about the strategic plan process that he has been assisting city staff with.

Assistant to City Manager Thompson led a discussion on the Citizen Survey.

Deputy City Manager Scott spoke about the Environmental Scan.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Stone: Asked for clarification on the percentages which are stagnant.
Mayor Pierce: Asked about the changes to some of the items that did not have up or down arrows.
Mayor Pierce: Spoke on the importance of communication when working with citizens.
Vice Mayor Brown: Asked what are the people thinking? Is there a way for the survey to include more details. Would like to see some more specifics on the items that we need to work on.
Council Member Hawkins: Asked how this helps us get our great story out there.
City Manager Rothweiler: Spoke about how bad government entities are at sharing their success's.
Council Member Stone: Ask if there is a question on the survey about how long they have lived in Twin Falls.

Questions to contemplate for next meeting:

1. Is this the best time to update the strategic plan?
2. If so, should the planning horizon be extended beyond the original 2030 date?
3. If so, is 2040 an appropriate planning horizon?
4. If so, should the Woods and Poole Economics' 2040 data be used?

5. Is extensive public outreach required or can the recent National Citizen Survey and St. Luke's Community Health Needs Assessment be used to guide the Plan?
6. Should the Plan consider regional growth impacts.

Deputy City Clerk Luna presented binders to all the Council members.

6) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 01:47 PM.



Amy Luna, Deputy City Clerk

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