

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO,
HELD AT COEUR D'ALENE CITY HALL,
MAY 4, 2004**

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 Hall May 4, 2004 at 6:00 p.m., there being present upon roll call the following members:

Sandi Bloem, Mayor

Dixie Reid)	Members of Council Present
Woody McEvers)	
Ben Wolfinger)	
A. J. Al Hassell, III)	
Loren Edinger)	
Deanna Goodlander)	

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

INVOCATION: The invocation was led by Pastor Glen Weber, Vineyard Christian Fellowship.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Councilman Edinger.

PROCLAMATION – ARSON AWARENESS WEEK: On behalf of Mayor Bloem, Councilman Ron Edinger read the proclamation proclaiming the week of May 2nd as Arson Awareness Week. Deputy Fire Chief Jim Washko accepted the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL BIKE MONTH: On behalf of Mayor Bloem, Councilman Hassell read the proclamation making the month of May “National Bike Month”. Pedestrian/Bicycle Committee Liaison, Mike Gridley, accepted the proclamation and encouraged all residents to ride their bikes to work on May 20th.

PRESENTATION – PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE COMMITTEE REPORT: Committee Liaison, Mike Gridley, introduced the Chairman of the Committee Vern Newby. Chairman Newby briefly reported that the Committee has reviewed the Ordinance creating this Committee and the purpose of this committee. They have opted to meet the 1st Monday of each month in the City Council Chambers. They are focusing on such items as curb cuts, traffic flow and future roadway projects to incorporate paths for pedestrian/bicycles. He presented the proposed plan for creating Class I, II and III trails for bicycle traffic. One of their focuses is assessing routes for wheel chair bound residents. He also briefly reviewed possible improvements to school walking routes for students.

PRESENTATION – CITIZEN APPRECIATION CERTIFICATE: Police Chief Carpenter presented Linda Thompson a certificate of Citizen Appreciation for her efforts in providing information that led to the arrest of some juveniles who were on a spree of smashing several vehicle headlights, side mirrors and other vehicular damage costing more than \$4,000.

PRESENTATION – STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES FOR CITY COMMITTEES/COMMISSION/BOARDS: Mayor Bloem introduced the student representatives that have served on the various City Committees, Commissions and Boards. Mayor Bloem with Council President Reid distributed Certificates of Achievement and thanked the students who participated in Committees, Commission and Boards this past year.

PRESENTATION – IRONMAN COMMUNITY FUND: Mayor Bloem announced that a total of 10 checks amounting to \$12,000 were awarded as a part of the Ironman Community Fund. Recipients included Post Falls Elementary Cross Country, Lake City High School Cross Country, School District 271 District Meet, City Recreation Swimming, Sorenson Elementary Cross Country, Hayden Meadows Running Program, John Brown Elementary Cross County, Levity Juggling, City Recreation Gymnastics and Specialized Needs Recreation.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: Mayor Bloem responded to two questions: How can I contact the Mayor and Council? You may do so by mailing your correspondence to City Hall, 710 E. Mullan Ave., by calling Victoria Bruno at 769-2204 or by contacting the City Clerk at 759-2231. Anyone may also pick up a printed listing of phone numbers and addresses from the City Receptionist.

The next question was: How do I view open positions? The City' Web Site has a link called "Job Opportunities". Also you may call the job hot-line at (208) 666-5738, look for classified advertisements in the Coeur d'Alene Press, or call the Human Resources Office at 769-2205.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

COUNTY CONCERNS: Mike Piper 3650 E. Lancaster Rd., Hayden Lake Idaho, announced that he and his son have worked with children on firearm safety training. He asked the Council to start firearm safety training in the school system. He also voiced his concern for the County's lack of requiring impact fees and asked the Council to start a dialogue with the County to develop impact fees in the County.

WATER DEPARTMENT RADIO METER READING EQUIPMENT: Bonnie Harrington, employed by H.D. Fowler Company, voiced her concerns regarding the City's proposal for a radio meter read system for water service and requested the Council to consider her company for purchasing this product.

RADIO METER READING EQUIPMENT: Motion by Reid, seconded by Wolfinger to bring this item forward on the agenda. Motion carried. Motion by Reid,

seconded by Edinger to authorize staff to enter into a contract with Hughes Water and Sewer for the purchase of startup equipment for the Invensys radio meter reading system and further authorize staff to change City specifications to require all new developments to utilize Invensys radio read meters. Motion carried.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion by Reid, seconded by Edinger to approve the Consent Calendar.

1. Approval of minutes for April 16, 2004.
2. Setting the General Services Committee and Public Works Committee meetings for May 10, 2004 at 4:00 p.m.
3. RESOLUTION 04-058: 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 APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH RANDALL & HURLEY, INC. TO PERFORM ACTUARIAL STUDY OF POLICE RETIREMENT FUND; APPROVAL OF S-12-03 FINAL PLAT APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS, MAINTENANCE/ WARRANTY AGREEMENT FOR PARADISE PLACE AND APPROVAL OF A WAIVER OF PROTEST TO ANNEXATION AGREEMENT WITH LEO SAUNDERS AND JOYCE SWOBODA SAUNDERS.
4. Acceptance of rights-of-way for Government Way Project, Phase 2.
5. Setting of Public Hearings for appeal of PUD, S-2-04 and Preliminary Plat for Copper Ridge for May 18, 2004.
6. Approval of Cemetery lot repurchase from Russell and Paula Broeckel.
7. Approval of SS-6-04 – Final Plat for Eldorado Pita Addition.

ROLL CALL: Edinger, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – V-04-2 – VACATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY OF BLOCK 5 AND ADJOINING 20TH STREET AND NEBRASKA AVENUE: Mayor Bloem read the rules of order for this public hearing. Growth Services Director, Gordon Dobler, gave the staff report.

Mr. Dobler gave the applicants' names as The Coeur d'Alene Land Company and Kenneth Stuker, the location as Block 5 of the old Beauty Park Subdivision and the remaining undeveloped rights-of-way of 20th Street and Nebraska Avenue and the reason for the request as vacation of public rights-of-way.

He reported that the vacation is necessary to complete the Bentwood Park Subdivision that was approved by the City in 1988. Upon completion of this final phase of development, Bentwood Park 6th Addition will encompass the area of this request. Kenneth Stuker is requesting vacation of Lots 30-33, Block 6 adjoining the westerly right-of-way of 20th Street as those lots have an existing residential structure on them that may also benefit from obtaining a portion of the vacated right-of-way of 20th Street. He noted that a total of 66 mailings were sent with 7 responses being received - 3 in support

2 opposed and 2 neutral with no written comments.

Public Comments: Mayor Bloem called for public comments with none being received.

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Goodlander to approve the vacation of Block 5 and the adjoining rights-of-way and to divide the right-of-way of 20th Street equally among the adjoining property owners and that the larger Block 5 and undeveloped right-of-way of Nebraska Avenue be vacated to the adjoining property to the north. **ROLL CALL:** Edinger, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Hassell, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye. Motion carried.

SISTER CITY READING CHALLENGE: Councilman Goodlander announced that the trophy for the Sister City Reading Challenge has returned to the City.

NO MOOSE LEFT BEHIND: Councilman Goodlander announced that 25 fiberglass moose have been decorated by local artists and will be displayed throughout the City of Coeur d'Alene. She encouraged the community to respect these artistic displays. At the end of the summer the moose will be auctioned off and all proceeds will go to the Excel Foundation.

CITY PARK BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Council President Reid announced that this past weekend, there was a celebration for our City Park's 100th Birthday.

TREE CITY USA: Councilman Hassell also noted that this is the 20th year that the City has received the Tree City designation and a new monument is on display in the City Park commemorating this milestone.

STREET PATCHING PROJECT: Councilman Edinger announced summer street patching is currently being done on Ramsey Road, and future street patching projects that require closures will be announced on KVNI.

STUMP ART AT BRYAN PLAYFIELD: Councilman Edinger announced Bryan Playfield has a new tree stump carving which is of a bear.

STREET STRIPING COMPLETED: Councilman McEvers announced that the spring street striping has now been completed. He also noted that Harry Capaul passed away last week and he will be missed.

U.S. BANK: U.S. Bank announced that they will be locating their customer service call center in City of Coeur d'Alene. Mayor Bloem expressed her appreciation to Troy Tymesen for his efforts in recruiting this business to the City.

EXECUTIVE TEAM: Troy Tymesen, announced the National Day of Prayer will be celebrated this Thursday, May 6th, in front of City Hall at noon. Pastor Paul VanNoy will coordinate prayers from several local pastors and there will be special music. On May 15, 2004, from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m., Specialized Needs Recreation will be holding a fundraiser

dinner/dance at the New Visions Alternative High School in Post Falls, located at 205 West Mullan Avenue. There will be a sloppy joe dinner, dancing, and entertainment from some of the participants of Specialized Needs Recreation (SNR). The cost is \$2.00 per person or \$5.00 per family for the dinner. The Wild, Wild West Fundraiser will benefit Camp Allstars, a summer camp which runs 5 days a week for 8 weeks, providing healthy, fun activities for youth and young adults with disabilities, and will feature several raffle packages. Please contact Angie Goucher, SNR Executive Director, for any further information 208-769-2317 (message) or 208-755-6781 (cell). Frederick A. Blackwell (a.k.a. Robert Singletary) made an appearance at the City Park on Saturday, May 1st. Mr. Blackwell is the original designer of the City Park and he shared with us the first 100 years of the parks history. Mr. Blackwell also built the Spokane/CDA Railroad line that brought people from Spokane to the park site. The Mayor received an award from the Idaho Department of Lands recognizing the City of CDA as a 'Tree City USA' for the past 20 years. Karen Haskew was also recognized for her efforts as the city's Urban Forester and all the work she does to make our community aesthetic and to keep our urban forest healthy. He also expressed his appreciation for all those who helped bring U.S. Bank's Customer Service Call Center to the City.

RESOLUTION 04-059

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO APPROVING AN UPDATED OFFICIAL PUBLIC TREE SPECIES LIST WHICH MAY BE PLANTED AS PUBLIC TREES.

Motion by Wolfinger, seconded by Hassell to adopt Resolution 04-059.

ROLL CALL: Reid, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 3171

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ACT OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, KNOWN AS ORDINANCE NO. 1691, ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, BY CHANGING THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM R-12 TO C-17L, SAID PROPERTY BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: TRACT 11 AND THE WEST 436 FEET OF TRACT 12, EXCEPT RIGHT-OF-WAY, THOMAS ADDITION, SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 50 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, BOISE MERIDIAN, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO; MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED AS +/- 2.24-ACRE PARCEL AT 3315 NORTH 4TH STREET, CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Motion by Wolfinger, seconded by Edinger to pass the first reading of Ordinance No.

3171.

ROLL CALL: McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Wolfinger, seconded by Hassell to suspend the rules and to adopt Ordinance No. 3171 by its having had one reading by title only.

ROLL CALL: McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Reid, seconded by Wolfinger to enter into Executive Session as provided by Idaho Code 67-2345 Subsection A: To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent; Subsection 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; Subsection C: To conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property not owned by a public agency; and Subsection F: To consider and advise its legal representatives in pending litigation or where there is a general public awareness of probable litigation.

ROLL CALL: Edinger, Aye; Wolfinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye. Motion carried.

The session began at 7:23p.m. Members present were the Mayor, City Council and City Administrator.

Matters discussed were those of property acquisition, personnel matters, labor negotiations and pending litigation.

No action was taken and the Council returned to regular session at 8:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Edinger, seconded by Wolfinger that, there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Sandi Bloem, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan K. Weathers, City Clerk