

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO,
HELD AT THE LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM,
AUGUST 19, 2008

The Mayor and Council of the City of Coeur d'Alene met in a regular session of said Council at the Coeur d'Alene Library, August 19, 2008 at 6:00 p.m., there being present upon roll call the following members:

Sandi Bloem, Mayor

Al Hassell)	Members of Council Present
Woody McEvers)	
Mike Kennedy)	
John Bruning)	
Deanna Goodlander)	
Loren Ron Edinger)	

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

INVOCATION was led by Pastor Carl Cook, Candlelight Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilman Bruning led the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS:

LARRY KIMBRELL/HUGH NEUMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS: Recreation Director Steve Anthony presented the Larry Kimbrell/Hugh Neuman Memorial Scholarships sponsored by the National Softball Tournament Committee and the Coeur d'Alene Recreation Department to this year's recipients: Lauren Nagrone (Larry Kimbrell scholarship) and Amanda Krier (Hugh Neuman scholarship).

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

SCHOOL/WATER/HOME LOAN CONCERNS: Harold Hocker, 1413 E. Spokane Ave., Coeur d'Alene, reported that the school district had returned his calls regarding his urging of impact fees for schools. He asked the City Council to support such legislation. He also commented that he agrees with Cliff Harris regarding the weather and the scarcity of water in the aquifer and that the City is going to have to start doing something because the aquifer cannot replenish itself. He also believes that anyone who has an interest-only loan will lose it in 10 years. He also opposes the ability for new home construction not being taxed until the house sells.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Motion by Kennedy seconded by Edinger to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

1. Approval of minutes for August 5, 2008.
2. Setting General Services Committee and Public Works Committee meetings for

August 25th at 12:00 noon and 4:00 p.m. respectively.

3. RESOLUTION 08-045: 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 AN AGREEMENT WITH NORTH IDAHO CENTENNIAL TRAIL FOUNDATION FOR EASEMENTS AND SIGNALS FOR PRAIRIE TRAIL CROSSINGS; APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH NORTH IDAHO MUSEUM TO RESERVE A PORTION OF AREA 5 OF THE FOUR CORNERS AREA FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW MUSEUM; APPROVAL OF SS-2-06 – FINAL PLAT APPROVAL AND MAINTENANCE / WARRANTY AGREEMENT FOR HAYCRAFT ESTATES; APPROVAL OF SS-1-08 – FINAL PLAT APPROVAL WITH SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT FOR RIVERSTONE WEST 2ND ADDITION; APPROVE THE DESTRUCTION AND TRANSFER OF CERTAIN POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS AND APPROVAL OF A STATE AND LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE DESIGN OF GOVERNMENT WAY FROM DALTON AVENUE TO HANLEY AVENUE.
4. Approval of the removal of two trees from the Forest Cemetery.
5. Approval of cemetery lot transfer from Robert and Marjorie Anderson to Keith and Kathryn Snider.
6. Approval of bills as submitted and on file in the Office of the City Clerk.
7. Setting of Public Hearings: Appeal of Denial of Tree Removal at 103 W. Idaho Ave. for September 2, 2008.

ROLL CALL: Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye. Motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

COUNCILMAN BRUNING: Councilman Bruning announced that the indoor swim lesson registration will begin Saturday, Sept. 6 and another session will begin in October 25. Registration will be done at City Hall in the Recreation Department.

COUNCILMAN GOODLANDER: Councilman Goodlander reminded residents of the Mudgy and Millie celebration on September 13th at which time the trail of the Mudgy and Millie story will be introduced. She also noted that the pre-sale of books is available with the pre-sold books being signed by the author. She also noted that 100% of the proceeds from the pre-sold books goes to the Library Foundation.

APPOINTMENT - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES, PARKING COMMISSION AND LCDC: Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Kennedy to appoint the following student representatives: Kellie Washko as alternate to Arts Commission; Austin Beals as representative and William Kyle Chidester as alternate to CDA TV Committee; Ethan Charles Waite as representative to Cemetery Board; Amanda J. Smith as representative and Justine Bunch as alternate to Childcare Commission; Mikayla Tetreault as

representative and James George as alternate to Library Board; Annalise McInelly as representative and Cody Childers as alternate to Ped/Bike Advisory Board; Brian Klatt as representative and Callie Anderson as alternate to Planning Commission; J.D."Seth" Owens as representative and Tyler Smotherman as alternate to Parks and Recreation Commission; Dillon R. Cory as representative to Sign Board; Katy Hudson as representative and Christina McCullough as alternate to Urban Forestry Committee and to re-appoint Brad Jordan to the Lake City Development Corporation and to appoint Ann Melbourn to the Parking Commission. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: City Administrator Wendy Gabriel announced that the Library Parking lot continues to fill with cars parked by individuals that are not using the library and the cars are remaining all day. New signage will be installed in the Library parking lot that will notify the public that the parking lot is for library patrons only. Additionally, the Library's summer activities for families continue with the August Film Festival. Free movies will be shown in the Shirley Parker Theater in the Seagrave Children's Library each Wednesday, starting Aug. 6, at 11 a.m. The City of Coeur d'Alene Arts Commission is accepting nominations for the 13th Annual Mayor's Awards in the Arts. Nominations may be submitted by art organizations, individuals, or businesses, and must be received by September 15, 2008. For nomination forms, please contact Amy Ferguson, at 666-5754, or you can pick up a nomination form at City Hall. The Mayor's Awards in the Arts will be held on Thursday, October 9, 2008, 6 p.m., at BRIX, downstairs, 317 Sherman Avenue. The City of Coeur d'Alene now has your utility billing account information available online. The City is also accepting credit card payments for your utility bill. A few weeks ago, the city accepted a Bike Friendly Community Award from the Bicycle League of America that recognizes not only the many trails and bike lanes built, but also public education. We commend our Trail Coordinator Monte McCully and our Pedestrian/Bicycle Committee for these efforts. Most recently, the Pedestrian/Bicycle committee developed a "**Share the Road**" bumper sticker that you will see on our patrol cars and other city vehicles reminding us that in addition to cars, there are walkers, runners, bikes, and strollers using our roads. So, please... **Share the Road.** The 'alternatives' for improvements to US 95 have recently been posted on the US 95 project page at www.kmpo.net. The primary goal of the study is to evaluate low-cost strategies to manage and balance access to US 95 from adjacent streets. For more information on the study go to www.kmpo.net, or watch this month's Coeur d'Alene TV Channel 19's "Coffee With The Mayor" show where KMPO Transportation Planning Engineer Carole Richardson and Sean Hoisington, filmed the US 95 segment earlier this month. Check out Channel 19's website at www.cdavid.org for dates and times when the program airs. Construction on Kathleen Avenue continues from Player Drive to St. Michelle Drive. A pedestrian-activated crossing light will be installed where the Prairie Trail crosses Kathleen Avenue. Traffic will be congested in this area. We hope to have the work completed prior to the start of school. The September issue of Dog Fancy Magazine writes that; "You'll find dogs on Coeur d'Alene's popular 24-mile Centennial Trail, which starts at Lake Coeur d'Alene and winds through the town and Idahoan countryside on its way toward Washington state. Once winter gives way to spring, usually around May, that's where you'll find locals walking their dogs. One stretch is also home to A.J.'s Tails and Trails Annual Walk, a 5K

dog walk that raises money for the Kootenai Humane Society, which had one of the lowest owner surrender rates in our survey.” A public hearing is scheduled for September 2nd for the 2008-2009 City Budget in the community room of the Library at 6:00PM at your regular City Council meeting. A link to the entire Preliminary Financial plan is available on the front screen of the city’s website at www.cdavid.org. Officer Tom Sparks, Sgt Christie Wood, and Chief Longo received a check from the CDA Association of Realtors for \$3,000.00 for our DARE program. This represents almost 2 years of funding for DARE and related activities! The Panhandle Area Council launched the city’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Minor Home Repair program this past weekend, and applications are available now. Applications will be funded on a first come, first serve basis. Applications and additional information will also be available at PAC’s office and electronically on the city’s web page. Please submit your application to PAC at 11100 N. Airport Drive in Hayden. Josh Mayne and Mike Murillo, have successfully passed their Water Distribution Operator I certification exam and will be receiving their Operators License. Sunday morning, before 8:00 AM, we had a call for a possible water main break. Our own Gary Nolan responded and verified that we needed to excavate to the main for repairs. He rounded up Dion Holton and Pat Cardwell to form a crew to fix the problem. It turned out to be a concrete pipe that had completely split in two. Repairs were completed by 2:00 in the afternoon. Parks Director Doug Eastwood was nominated by the Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation to serve on the Land & Water Conservation (LWC) Committee. The committee reviews Land and Water Conservation grants, makes recommendations to the state board and assists/advises other communities as to the opportunities and options available to them. Doug has spent countless hours with the Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation over the last two years proposing the re-allocation of Land & Water Funds so the state and municipalities would have a better funding opportunity. With this continuing dry spell, our open spaces are becoming more at risk for careless, live ashes as the fire danger increases. We would like to remind folks that there are **no fires allowed** on city open spaces such as Tubbs Hill and Canfield Mountain, and **smoking is prohibited** in these locations. This past Sunday evening, our own Coeur d’Alene Fire Chief Kenny Gabriel was the keynote speaker at the dedication of the memorial for Idaho Fallen Firefighters in Boise. The ceremony began with over 40 police, military, and firefighter bagpipers and drummers who marched through and around the memorial. The ceremony also featured a military flyover, the unveiling of a beautiful bronze statue, and a single bell ring for each of the 14 fallen firefighters. One was our own fallen hero Richard Gaines who perished fighting a fire in a building on Sherman Ave. The public is invited to two public meetings regarding the Higher Education Corridor, the first will be held at 12:00 noon at September 23rd and the next will be held at 7:00 a.m. on September 25th. Both meeting will be held at the Midtown School District building on 4th Street. Councilman Edinger and Kennedy urged that another evening meeting of the Higher Education Corridor be held.

LETTER OF PARTNERSHIP FOR SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL: Kristen Pomerantz, volunteer grant coordinator for the School District, presented an overview of the grant application for the activities planned for the continued education and encouragement of students to walk as part of the Safe Routes to School Program. Councilman Bruning thanked Ms. Pomerantz for taking on this large project. Gordon

Dobler reported that 800 feet along 15th Street from Harrison north to Fire Station 3 will have sidewalks placed on both sides of the roadway. The project contractor, Cameron and Reilly, will be starting the construction on the sidewalks on September 2nd.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Edinger to approve the continued partnership with the Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program and School District 271 and authorize a formal letter of partnership for the SR2S grant application with a deadline of August 29, 2008. Motion carried.

Councilman Kennedy commented that it is harder than one thinks to ride a bike to work along Ramsey Road. Councilman Edinger asked if sidewalks will ever be placed from First Station 3 to Best along 15th Street. Gordon Dobler responded that it is listed on the City's 5-year plan.

DECLARATION OF INTENT TO EXCHANGE REAL PROPERTY: Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Hassell to accept the Declaration of Intent to Exchange Property with the Idaho Department of Transportation which property is located at the corner of Wilbur Avenue and Mineral Drive and setting a public hearing for September 16, 2008. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-046

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING A SCSEP HOST AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH EXPERIENCE WORKS TO PROVIDE SUBSIDIZED EMPLOYEES TO THE CITY.

STAFF REPORT: Barbara Lund Jerry, and Charlie Koski from Experience Works explained their program as a charitable organization that works through a grant that helps people age 55 and older get back into the workforce. Anyone who is enrolled in their program can work for a non-profit agency with their wages and workers compensation paid for by the funds from the grant. Work experience usually lasts from 3 months to a year. Charlie Koski explained the process for a host agency to participate in this grant program.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Edinger to adopt Resolution 08-046.

ROLL CALL: Kennedy, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Edinger, Aye; McEvers, Aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 08-047

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOCAL NO. 710 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS AND THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE.

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Kennedy to adopt Resolution 08-048.

ROLL CALL: Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Hassell, Aye; McEvers, Aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-048

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO ESTABLISHING A NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008, AND INCLUDING PROPOSED EXPENDITURES BY FUND AND/OR DEPARTMENT, AND STATEMENT OF THE AMENDED ESTIMATED REVENUE FROM PROPERTY TAXES AND THE AMENDED TOTAL AMOUNT FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES OF THE CITY FOR THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THE SAME.

WHEREAS, it is necessary, pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1003, for the City Council of the City of Coeur d'Alene, prior to passing an Amended Annual Appropriation Ordinance, to prepare a proposed amended Budget, tentatively approve the same, and enter such proposed amended Budget at length in the journal of the proceedings; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Coeur d'Alene, that the following be and the same is hereby adopted as an Amended Estimate of Expenditures and Anticipated Revenue of the City of Coeur d'Alene for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007:

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Mayor and Council-----	\$	196,349	
Administration-----		787,352	
Finance Department-----		771,370	
Municipal Services-----		1,278,991	1,253,991
Human Resources-----		244,632	
Legal Department-----		1,211,519	1,226,519
Planning Department-----		546,406	540,406
Building Maintenance-----		541,636	501,636
Police Department-----		8,732,252	
K.C.J.A. Task Force-----		149,340	
C.O.P.S. Grant-----		58,061	
Byrne Grant-----		136,392	
Fire Department-----		5,879,934	5,979,934
General Government-----		1,649,340	1,783,113
Engineering Services-----		1,459,988	1,491,168
Streets/Garage-----		2,434,730	2,461,512
Parks Department-----		1,643,316	1,661,016
Recreation Department-----			823,517 808,517

Building Inspection----- 834,321 _____

TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: ~~\$29,379,446~~ \$29,617,881

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND EXPENDITURES:

Library Fund----- 1,085,112
Impact Fee Fund----- 585,000
Parks Capital Improvements----- 737,500 813,500
Annexation Fee Fund----- 230,000
Insurance / Risk Management----- 350,500
Cemetery Fund----- 293,738 393,738
TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS: \$3,281,850 \$3,457,850

ENTERPRISE FUND EXPENDITURES:

Street Lighting Fund----- 560,203
Water Fund----- 6,300,904 6,687,904
Wastewater Fund----- 14,570,736
Water Cap Fee Fund----- 960,000
WWTP Cap Fees Fund----- 2,482,683
Sanitation Fund----- 3,025,984 3,050,984
City Parking Fund----- 240,982
Stormwater Management----- 1,504,169
TOTAL ENTERPRISE EXPENDITURES: \$29,645,661 \$30,057,661

TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS:----- 3,147,708 3,437,708

STREET CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS:----- 250,000 325,000
2006 GO BOND CAPITAL PROJECT FUND:- ~~3,240,015~~ 3,628,915
DEBT SERVICE FUNDS:----- 372,479 2,379,079
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURES: \$71,317,159 \$72,904,094

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the same be spread upon the Minutes of this meeting and published in two (2) issues of the Coeur d'Alene Press, seven (7) days apart, to be published on August 27, 2008 and September 3, 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing on the Budget be held on the 16th day of September, 2008 at the hour of 6:00 o'clock p.m. on said day, at which time any interested person may appear and show cause, if any he has, why the proposed amended Budget should or should not be adopted.

STAFF REPORT: Finance Director, Troy Tymesen, presented the 2nd proposed amendments for this fiscal year's budget. He explained that part of the amendment includes a grant opportunity for the Government Way project, completion of the Library and G. O. Bond projects, and parks capital improvement projects. He did note that the City will not be collecting \$378,000 in property taxes due to an oversight by the County, and thus the budget must be amended accordingly.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Hassell, to adopt the Resolution No. 08-048.

ROLL CALL: Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Hassell, Aye; McEvers, Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING - V-08-1 - VACATION OF EASEMENTS IN RIVERSTONE WEST AND RIVESTONE WEST 1ST ADDITION: Mayor Bloem gave the rules of order for this public hearing. Gordon Dobler, Engineering Service Director, gave the staff report.

Mr. Dobler gave the applicant's name as Riverstone West, LLC and their request is to vacate easements as follows: A portion of John Loop Roadway that is unneeded due to realignment of the street; Sanitary sewer easement that was never utilized due to sanitary line relocation, and; a portion of the bike trail easement that is situated within the open pit area and not necessary due to trail realignment.

Mr. Dobler noted that these easements were dedicated during the initial stages of the Riverstone West development prior to the actual completion of the work site. As the development progressed, the redesign of the facilities and the actual installations have caused the infrastructure to be relocated, and new or altered easements established.

He reported that 6 mailings were sent out with no responses being received.

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

Motion by Hassell, seconded by Kennedy to approve the vacation of easements in the Riverstone West and Riverstone West 1st Additions as presented.

ROLL CALL: McEvers, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING - MODIFICATIONS TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED LAKE DISTRICT URBAN RENEWAL PLAN: Mayor Bloem read the rules of order for this legislative public hearing. Tony Berns, Executive Director of the Lake City Development Corporation, gave the staff report.

Mr. Berns noted that tonight's public hearing is for the Council to deny, adopt or adopt with modifications the proposed LCDC Amended and Restated Lake District urban renewal plan. He added that the proposed modifications pertain to the inclusion of the following three taxing properties; Sorenson School block, Winton School site and Winton City Park.

Mr. Berns read a letter sent to the School District by the City Council on Dec. 7, 2006 regarding the importance of maintaining schools within the downtown area. He also read

a letter sent on December 19, 2006 from LCDC to School District 271 supporting the continuation of Sorenson and Winton Schools.

He reported that on July 8, 2008 the Planning Commission unanimously confirmed that the proposed Amended and Restated Lake District urban renewal plan conforms to the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Councilman Hassell commented that some residents have complained that LCDC takes property tax money away from the tax rolls. Mr. Berns responded that the proposed inclusions are currently tax exempt properties. Councilman McEvers asked if the proposed budget is still valid for Sorenson School improvements in order to bring it up to ADA standards. Mr. Berns responded that the proposed amount was the amount submitted by the School District; however, this amount could be amended. Councilman Edinger commented that it was the parents in the neighborhood that pushed for the continuation of Sorenson School and having it become a magnet school. Councilman Hassell sees this proposed amendment as helping the schools and helping the neighborhood. Councilman Kennedy asked what would happen if the School District later chooses to close Sorenson, is there any recourse for recovery of these funds. Mr. Berns responded that LCDC will be negotiating some long-term agreements with the School District to address these types of issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Susan Snedaker, 821 Hastings, commented that several years ago, the School District had discussed the sale of school property, in particular Person Field, and believes Councilman Kennedy's concerns are well founded. Harold Hocker, 1413 E. Spokane Ave. commended the City Council for including Sorenson School in the urban renewal district. He the noted that although he isn't against Winton School, he feels that it is so far out and wanted to know how much property is included with this school. Councilman Goodlander responded that Winton is adjacent to the boundary of the existing urban renewal district. Mr. Hocker then commented he therefore approves Winton School being included in this urban renewal district.

ORDINANCE NO. 3337
COUNCIL BILL NO. 08-1013

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO, APPROVING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED LAKE DISTRICT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT, INCLUDING THE SORENSON MAGENT SCHOOL, WINTON SCHOOL, AND WINTON PARK AREA (NOW REFERRED TO AS THE SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN), WHICH SECOND AND AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN INCLUDES REVENUE ALLOCATION FINANCING PROVISIONS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND OTHER REQUIRED INFORMATION TO COUNTY AND STATE OFFICIALS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Motion by Hassell, seconded by McEvers to pass the first reading of Council Bill No. 08-1013.

ROLL CALL: Edinger Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Bruning, Aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Hassell, seconded by Edinger to suspend the rules and to adopt Council Bill No. 08-1013 by its having had one reading by title only.

ROLL CALL: Edinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Bruning, Aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Kennedy, seconded by Edinger that, there being no further business before the Council, this meeting is adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 7:37 p.m.

Sandi Bloem, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan K. Weathers, CMC
City Clerk