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

November 2, 2021

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 Library Community Room November 2, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., there being present upon roll call the following members:

Steve Widmyer, Mayor

Amy Evans   ) Members of Council Present
Dan Gookin
Kiki Miller
Christie Wood
Woody McEvers
Dan English

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Widmyer called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Pastor Mike Maksimowicz with Ignite the World Ministries provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Gookin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

LEAF FEST 2021 UPDATE: Streets and Engineering Lead Field Worker Justin Kimberling announced that leaf pick up will begin November 8, 2021, ending at the beginning of December, weather dependent. He noted the partnership between Streets and Parks Departments as being integral in getting the job done. He noted that they are using six (6) electronic reader boards to announce to the community where they will be in addition to updating the webpage. He noted that the leaf grinding will take place at the Street Department complex, then they are taken to the airport area to be spread around for top soil. He explained that the leaf pick up is an effort to keep the leaves from the storm drains, which leads to the lake. Mr. Kimberling reminded citizens to keep the streets open and to not place bagged leaves in the street as they will not be able to be included in the pickup. Likewise, once the leaves have been picked up, please do not rake more leaves in to the streets as the department only comes through the one time. Citizens can keep up with the crews pick up schedule at: www.cdaid.org/leafmaps.cdaid.org/leaf. Mayor Widmyer noted this is one of the city services our residents really appreciate.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jeanette Laster, CDA, Executive Director of the Human Rights Educational Institute, noted their partnerships includes educational partners throughout the community. She noted citizen concerns regarding discrimination, harassment, and distribution of literature. She explained that
their agency connects citizens to resources. A current common complaint is the distribution of disturbing literature, and they encourage criminal reporting to the Police Department. She provided a photocopy of some items provided to the Institute that have been found around town, as well as a breakdown of complaints over the past six months. She believes the statistics are beneficial in obtaining grants, such as the three (3) grants recently received for educational programming. They have provided community speakers and will be hosting Diane Kalen-Sukra from Canada regarding community civility.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Councilmember Miller noted the Regional Housing and Growth Issues Partnership assessment will be provided to the community in November and will include some economic data; and they were currently working on an education component and different housing management structures. A new partner, Avista Foundation, is joining in funding the additional information. The Historic Preservation Commission and staff are going to be providing the draft plan to Council for review before the November 16 Council presentation. The Library had a successful pumpkin give away, with the support of the Wastewater Department who grew the 500 pumpkins that were given away. The Library is working with Kootenai Health on utilizing a grant to fund a program called “born reading” that puts books and literacy information in the hands of families with newborns.

Councilmember Gookin noted that Council loves to help citizens and problem-solve; however, occasionally, he gets anonymous complaints which makes it difficult to help without interacting with the person.

Councilmember English noted that there was a tabloid recently provided to the community. There was some information included that he feels he should address; specifically, the tabloid references the recently approved public art piece. He clarified that this art piece has gone through the selection process, and that he served on the selection committee. It is a human rights piece that will go in by the carousel, and some people are upset by it. He wanted to make it clear that it has already been voted on and it will be installed soon. He thinks it will be a piece the community will be proud of. He noted that he is a person of faith, yet tries to keep it out of his position as a councilmember. The article referred to the leadership that voted for it as abominations, but he believes it is a piece that upholds values.

Mayor Widmyer asked for the Appointments of Scott Cranston, Bridget Hill, and Ginny Tate to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

MOTION: Motion by Evans, seconded by McEvers, to appoint Scott Cranston, Bridget Hill, and Ginny Tate to the Parks and Recreation Commission. **Motion carried, with Gookin voting in opposition.**

CONSENT CALENDAR:
2. Approval of General Services/Public Works Committee meeting minutes from October 25, 2021.
4. Approval of Bills as Submitted.
5. Approval of a Cemetery Lot Repurchase and Transfer
   a. Repurchase from Jeff Schneider; Section RIV, Block NGB, Niche 41
   b. Transfer from Marlene Herby to Kevin Herby; Section OP, Block 2, Lot 145, Forest Cemetery Annex. (Riverview)
6. **Resolution No. 21-064** - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, FOR THE FOLLOWING: ACCEPTANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS, APPROVAL OF THE FINAL PLAT, MAINTENANCE/WARRANTY AGREEMENT, LANDSCAPE WORK AGREEMENT, AND SECURITY FOR S-2-20 - ENCLAVE AT THE TRAILS; AGREEMENT WITH J-U-B ENGINEERS, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE 2021-22 WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (CIPP) PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF $188,900.00; PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH FREIGHTLINER NORTHWEST FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF A NEW 2022 DUMP TRUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF $169,736.00 FOR THE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT; RETIREMENT MEDICAL BENEFIT AND CONSULTANT AGREEMENT WITH CASEY FISHER FROM THE WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT; AGREEMENT WITH ROW, INC., DBA ROW ADVENTURES, FOR COMMERCIAL USE OF CITY PROPERTY AT INDEPENDENT POINT BEACH; AND FIVE-YEAR LEASE WITH THE ELEVENTH STREET DOCKOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

**MOTION:** Motion by McEvers, seconded by Miller, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, including **Resolution No. 21-064**.

**ROLL CALL:** Gookin Aye; English Aye; Wood Aye; Evans Aye; Miller Aye; McEvers Aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-065**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH SPECIALTY PUMP SERVICES, INC., FOR THE ANNIE WELL PUMP REHABILITATION PROJECT.

**STAFF REPORT:** Assistant Water Director Kyle Marine requested approval of the bid award to Specialty Pump Services, Inc. for the Annie Well rehabilitation project. He noted that they do an annual review of all the well houses. This year, they determined that it was time to look at Annie Well. The Annie Well was originally installed in 2004 to 353' deep. It has a tested production capacity of nearly 2500 gallons per minute (gpm). The production well is 24” in diameter and cased or screened to the bottom. The well was put into production and has consistently produced a rate of approximately 2100 gpm. The pump assembly consists of a 350 Hp motor, 12” diameter drop pipes (columns), 1-5/16” diameter shafts and a 4-stage pump. The pump was last replaced in 2006. The well had experienced some plugging by fine silt material requiring extensive cleaning in 2006. Staff expects to encounter some plugging again due to declining production and increasing drawdown. The Water Department has budgeted $196,000
through the operations and maintenance budget and no additional engineering services are required for this project. One bid was received for the project, with a base bid of $87,625, received from Specialty Pump Services, Inc. Options were included in the bid packet for potential replacement of the pump columns, stainless steel shafts, and brass spider bearings in the event undue wear is detected. Exercising all options would bring the total bid to $152,000. While staff anticipates there may be a need to replace at least some of the pump column based on previous history, it is not anticipated to have to replace everything. Therefore, staff is proposing acceptance of the base bid of $87,625 and a contract not to exceed the budget amount of $152,000.00 should additional replacements be required. The well will be inspected through a video to determine if additional cleaning will be required as part of the optional bid.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember McEvers asked for clarity about the lifespan of the well. Mr. Marine noted that the well was installed in 2004, two years later there were issues with balance. However, a well usually has a lifespan of 10-12 years based on hours of run time. Councilmember English complimented the Department for the maintenance schedule, planning for future needs and the overall good job of taking care of the equipment.

MOTION: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Miller, to approve Resolution No. 21-065, approving a Contract to Specialty Pump Services, Inc. as awarded low bidder for the Annie Well Pump Rehabilitation Project.

ROLL CALL: English Aye, Wood Aye; Evans Aye; Miller Aye; McEvers Aye; Gookin Aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by McEvers, seconded by Evans, that there being no other business this meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST: 

Steve Widmyer, Mayor

Renata McLeod, CMC
City Clerk