MINUTES OF A CONTINUED MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D’ALENE, IDAHO,
HELD IN THE OLD COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
710 E. Mullan Avenue, Coeur d’Alene

May 19, 2016

The Mayor and Council of the City of Coeur d’Alene met in a continued session of said
Council in the Council Chambers on May 19, 2016, at 8:00 a.m., there being present
upon roll call the following members:

Steve Widmyer, Mayor

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:
Loren Ron Edinger, Woody McEvers, Kiki Miller (arrived at 8:10 a.m.), Dan Gookin,
Daniel English (arrived at 9:27 a.m.), Amy Evans (via telephone conference)

STAFF PRESENT: Melissa Tosi, Human Resource Director; Gordon Dobler,
Engineering Services Director; Steve Childers, Police Captain; Dave Hagar, Police
Captain; Troy Tymesen, Finance Director; Terry Pickel, Water Superintendent; Mike
Gridley, City Attorney; Tim Martin, Street Superintendent; Jim Hammond, City
Administrator; Sid Fredrickson, Wastewater Superintendent; Bill Greenwood, Parks &
Recreation Director; Kenny Gabriel, Fire Chief; Hilary Anderson, Community Planning
Director; Bette Ammon, Library Director; Ed Wagner, Building Services Director; Kyle
Marine, Assistant Water Superintendent; Tom Greif, Division Fire Chief; Renata
McLeod, Municipal Services Director

GUEST: Pat McGaughey, CPF, IOM with Activating People.Com

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

APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM
GRANT FUNDING (TAP) FOR THE RIVER TRAIL

Bill Greenwood, Parks & Recreation Director, presented a request for council
authorization to pursue Transportation Alternative Projects (TAP) Funding for
construction of the River Trail. The River Trail would begin in Riverstone, with a
connector to the Prairie Trail, along the railroad right-of-way, and would skip the Grand
Mill area by the Mill River Park and pick up again on River Way and continue on to
Huettter. Mr. Green indicated that they may have to do some striping on the roadway to
connect with Seltice Way project.
Mr. Greenwood said this section of the trail would cost $146,000 and would include a parking lot for a cost of $183,000. The total cost of the project is $691,000 -- TAP funds to be used are $484,000 and the City’s match is $207,000, which would come out of the City’s General Fund balance.

Mayor Widmyer explained that the request was being brought forward at this time because the application needs to be submitted by June 1st. The request is for authorization to submit the application, not for approval of the city’s portion of the funding. If the grant is awarded, Mr. Greenwood would bring a request back to the council for funding of the project. Mr. Greenwood said they are hoping for funding in 2017 and construction in 2018.

Councilmember Gookin asked if the trail was included in the BLM/4 Corners Master Plan. Mr. Greenwood said that it wasn’t, but when the railroad right-of-way was purchased, the plan all along was to create a trail system. Details would still need to be worked out.

Councilmember Gookin asked if the trail would interfere with railroad access. City Attorney Mike Gridley said that as long as the railroad is there, the City would need to provide a corridor of 18 feet and would have to put up a fence.

**MOTION by Gookin, seconded by Edinger, to authorize staff to proceed with the TAP grant request process for the River Trail project.**

**Motion carried.**

**STRATEGIC BUDGET PLANNING**

Pat McGaughey, CPF, IOM, with Activating People.Com facilitated a strategic planning discussion with the council members and Executive Team.

Mr. McGaughey led a discussion of goals and issues of importance to the Executive Team and council, including community engagement, software, measuring success, continuous improvement, internal engagement and trust between council and staff, tracking, and CDA 2030 priorities. The discussion included a review of what each department is doing well and some of the things that each department does that the public might not be aware of.

Councilmember Evans left the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

The Executive team discussed anticipated major changes to their Fiscal Year 2016-17 budgets, including changes to their services & supplies budgets and the addition of personnel. Major items discussed included Fire Station 4 and staffing; capital improvements to the Wastewater Treatment plant (Enterprise Fund); an additional 9 FTE’s in the Police Department, plus equipment for the additional officers; the City Hall
remodel; a new Permit Technician in the Building Department and vehicles; live streaming for City Council meetings; new cameras for the CDATV Studio; an IT Network Analysis specialist for the Police Department; a part-time CDBG grants administrator /part-time administrative assistant; a new water storage tank in the NE Quadrant; and a new Classification and Compensation Study.

Councilmember Gookin noted that he would like to see Rosenberry Drive done and parking improved as part of the Flood Works project. Mr. Dobler said that Rosenberry Drive is not critical to the certification process and was not completed due to budget constraints, but he will look into it.

The council and Executive Team next discussed impediments to providing excellent service.

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

The meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m..

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Amy C. Ferguson
Deputy City Clerk

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Steve Widmyer, Mayor

ATTEST: