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 2, 2006

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 2, 2006 at 6:00 p.m., there being present upon roll call the following members:

Sandi Bloem, Mayor
Mike Kennedy                  ) Members of Council Present
Woody McEvers                )
A. J. Al Hassell, III        )
Dixie Reid                   )
Ron Edinger                  )
Deanna Goodlander           )

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

INVOCATION was led by Pastor Tom Weadick, Vineyard Christian Fellowship Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Councilman Edinger.

PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL BIKE MONTH: Pedestrian/Bike Committee Chairman Vern Newby announced that May is the Bike to Work Month. He reminded that bicycles are vehicles are both designed for use on roadways and both cyclists and motorists need to be conscious of both types of vehicles operating on the road. The week of May 15th through May 19th is Bike to Work week and Chairman Newby encouraged all residents to ride their bikes during that week. Councilman Goodlander, read the proclamation on behalf of Mayor Bloem announcing that May is Bike Month in the City of Coeur d’Alene. Councilman Goodlander complimented Vern Newby for his work as Chairman of the Committee and she also complimented City Attorney Mike Gridley for all his support of the bike trails being created in the City.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

EAST SIDE HIGHWAY DISTRICT OVERRIDE LEVY: Dick Edinger, Eastside Highway District Board Chairman, announced that the East Side Highway District is having a levy election on May 23rd. He expressed his thanks to Councilman Reid and Edinger for their support of this override. He also commended Mayor Bloem, the City Council and the staff of the City for obtaining of the Kroc Center in Coeur d’Alene and presented a check in memory of his deceased daughter to be used as part of the matching fund of the new Kroc Center.
BMX SAFETY CLINIC: Terrence Northington, 1315 W. Harrison, announced that there will be a BMX Safety Clinic for all the children in the community especially from ages 5-12. The focus of the training is to orient them to the safe use of the new BMX tracks at Cherry Hill Park. The sponsors of the event include the BMX of North Idaho, the City of Coeur d’Alene, Ford Ironman of Coeur d’Alene, and the City’s Fire Department. He noted that they will be giving out free helmets as part of this clinic. He exhibited a copy of the certificate that will be given to each child who completes the program and requested that the Mayor sign these certificates. Early registration is recommended and the registration forms can be picked up at the City’s Recreation Dept. or online at North Idaho BMX. The clinic will be held on Saturday, May 6th at 10:00 a.m. Councilman McEvers introduced the television clip that was then shown notifying the residents of this clinic. Councilman Edinger reported that he attended the Arbor Day Celebration last weekend and noted that there were children from the BMX Park who participated in planting some trees in the area. Councilman Hassell commended Terrence for his group’s efforts in following through in accomplishing what they had originally requested from the Council. Terrence announced that Mr. Mike Cluse donated a great deal to the park by doing a lot of excavation and creating the park without charging for his services. Councilman Reid noted that although she is a resident on Cherry Hill, she has not heard any noise from this park.

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

1. Approval of minutes for April 6, 13, 18, 19, 2006.
2. Setting the Public Works Committee and General Services Committee meeting for May 8, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.
3. RESOLUTION 06-021: 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 AUTHORIZING AN AUCTIONEERS CONTRACT WITH MR. AUCTION FOR THE CITY’S SURPLUS AUCTION; AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT & HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT; AUTHORIZING STAFF TO REJECT BIDS FOR THE CENTRAL IRRIGATION SYSTEM AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO SOLICIT PROPOSALS; AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR GRANT WRITER; AUTHORIZING A COOPERATIVE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH POST FALLS HIGHWAY DISTRICT FOR SELTICE WAY AND GRAND MILL LANE INTERSECTION.
4. Authorizing sole source procurement for field lighting at Ramsey II.
5. SS-4-06 – Final plat approval for Canfield Court Condominiums.

ROLL CALL: Edinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye. Motion carried.
CONGRATULATIONS EXPRESSED: Councilman Reid congratulated a grandson Alex Capaul for pitching a no-hitter for Lake City High School. She also sent a welcome to her newest grandson, Avery.

RON RANKIN MEMORIAL PLAZA CEREMONY: Councilman Kennedy announced that on Wednesday, May 3rd at 6 p.m. the County will be adding the names of 30 area veterans to the Ron Rankin Memorial Plaza and encouraged residents to attend and honor the Kootenai County veterans who served us so well over the years.

LIBRARY BUILDING BIDS: Councilman Goodlander announced that on Thursday, May 4th bids will be opened at 4:00 p.m. for the construction of the new Library building. She added that the Library Foundation has raised $1.3 million dollars. She expressed her thanks to the residents that have generously contributed to the various projects in the City.

KROC COMMUNITY CENTER: Mayor Bloem expressed her gratitude to Joan and Ray Kroc for their generosity and she thanked the Salvation Army for knowing who to give the funds to. She also thanked the community noting that because of this community it is what made the difference in getting the $60 million Kroc Community Center in Coeur d’Alene.

ORDINANCE NO. 3252
COUNCIL BILL NO. 06-1008

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COEUR D’ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, REPEALING SECTION 2.66.040 ENTITLED APPEAL BOARD; REPEALING SECTION 10.27.050 ENTITLED APPEAL TO PARKING COMMISSION APPEAL BOARD AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 10.27.050 ENTITLED APPEAL; TO CHANGE THE APPEAL PROCESS FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS FROM AN IN-PERSON APPEAL HEARING TO A WRITTEN APPEAL PROCESS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A SUMMARY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by McEvers to pass the first reading of Council Bill No. 06-1008.

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

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Hassell to suspend the rules and to adopt Council Bill No. 06-01008 by its having had one reading by title only.

ROLL CALL: Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye. Motion carried.
PARKING LOT LIGHTS AT INDEPENDENCE POINT: Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Edinger to authorize staff to proceed with the funding and installation of additional parking lot lights at Independence Point. DISCUSSION: Councilman Reid noted that most of the problem comes not from our youth but 20+ year-olds who come from neighboring cities. Councilman Goodlander added that this situation does make it uncomfortable for our own children to congregate in this area. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 3253
COUNCIL BILL NO. 06-1010

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 15.06.060, ENTITLED USE OF EXPLOSIVES; REQUIRING THAT A BLASTING PERMIT BE OBTAINED FROM THE CITY PRIOR TO USING ANY EXPLOSIVES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS; ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR ISSUING A PERMIT INCLUDING INSURANCE, PRE-BLASTING INSPECTIONS AND NOTIFICATION, MONITORING AND ESTABLISHING THAT A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR IMPRISONMENT FOR SIX MONTHS OR BOTH; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A SUMMARY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Deputy Fire Chief Jim Washko reported that some of the new developers are using blasting as a method of preparing hillside land for construction. This ordinance is to place some regulations so this method is used as a last resort process for demolition.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Kennedy to pass the first reading of Council Bill No. 06-1010.

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

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Hassell to suspend the rules and to adopt Council Bill No. 06-1010 by its having had one reading by title only.

ROLL CALL: Kennedy, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye; Edinger, Aye; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye.

ORDINANCE No. 3254
COUNCIL BILL NO. 06-1011

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, ADOPTING A NEW SECTION 15.06.040 REQUIRING THAT KEY LOCK BOXES BE INSTALLED ON THE EXTERIOR OF
COMMERCIAL AND MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES AND
ESTABLISHING THAT A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE A
MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR
IMPRISONMENT FOR SIX MONTHS OR BOTH; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES
AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING A
SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A SUMMARY OF
THIS ORDINANCE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Deputy Fire Chief explained that by incorporating this lock box system, it would allow
the Fire Department to have less obtrusive access to various buildings. In response to
Councilman McEvers question, the key boxes will only be used on high-level buildings
since, without this type of firefighter access, it will cause delays for firefighters which
would result in costlier damage to the property in case of a fire. Councilman Hassell and
Edinger recounted incidences where this type of access would have been beneficial.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Kennedy to pass the first reading of Council Bill
No. 06-1011.

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

Motion by Edinger, seconded by McEvers to suspend the rules and to adopt Council Bill
No. 06-1011 by its having had one reading by title only.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 3255
COUNCIL BILL NO. 06-1012

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COEUR
D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, ADOPTING A NEW SECTION 15.06.050
REQUIRING THAT FIREFIGHTER EQUIPMENT ROOMS BE PROVIDED IN ALL
NEW BUILDINGS OVER TEN (10) OR MORE STORIES AND OTHER LARGE
BUILDINGS AND ESTABLISHING LOCATION AND DESIGN CRITERIA FOR
THE EQUIPMENT ROOMS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF
ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY
CLAUSE; PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A SUMMARY OF THIS
ORDINANCE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Deputy Fire Chief explained that firefighters would be carrying up to 100 lbs. of
equipment up several flights of stairs in high rise buildings. These equipment closets
would allow the firefighter to conserve some of their energy for fighting the fires by
storing some of the heavy equipment in them. Councilman Edinger asked if the McEuen
Towers had these equipments closets. Deputy Chief Washko responded that they did not.
Councilman McEvers asked if this is a benefit to the building owners. Jim Washko
responded this is more a life safety issue for the firefighters. He noted that the regulations require an equipment closet at the 10th floor from the lowest ground level floor and then every five floors above that. Councilman McEvers noted that the City would maintain the inventory of firefighter equipment housed in the closets.

Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Hassell to pass the first reading of Council Bill No. 06-1012.

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

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Reid to suspend the rules and to adopt Council Bill No. 06-1012 by its having had one reading by title only.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 06-030

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D’ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO AMENDING THE CITY OF COEUR D’ALENE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN TO PROVIDE FOR THE POSITION OF LIBRARY ELECTRONIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR PAY GRADE 6 TO THE INFORMATION TECH COORDINATOR PAY GRADE 8 AND AMEND THE TITLE OF CITY ENGINEER TO DEPUTY ENGINEERING SERVICES DIRECTOR.

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Reid to adopt Resolution 06-030.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Reid, seconded by McEvers to enter into Executive Session as provided by Idaho Code 67-2345, 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; Hassell, Aye; Goodlander, Aye; Kennedy, Aye; McEvers, Aye; Reid, Aye. Motion carried.

The Council entered into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. Those present were the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator, Deputy City Administrator and City Attorney. Matters discussed were those of probable litigation.

No action was taken and the Council returned to regular session as p.m.
ADJOURNMENT: Motion by, seconded by to recess this meeting first to May 9th at 12:00 noon at City Hall and then to May 9th at 5:00 p.m. at Plummer, Idaho at the Coeur d’Alene Tribal Council office. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at p.m.

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Sandi Bloem, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Susan K. Weathers, CMC
City Clerk