

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO,  
HELD AT THE LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM,  
MAY 19, 2009

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, May 19, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., there being present upon roll call the following members:

Sandi Bloem, Mayor

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

Mike Kennedy	)	Members of Council Absent
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**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sandi Bloem.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Councilman Hassell led the pledge of allegiance.

**PROCLAMATION – “SAFE BOATING WEEK”:** On behalf of Mayor Bloem, Councilman Hassell read the proclamation designating the week of May 16th as Safe Boating Week in the City. Jim Kelly from the Spokane Sail and Power Squadron and Mr. Sauder from the Coast Guard Auxiliary accepted the proclamation.

**PRESENTATION – 10-YEAR PLAN TO END HOMELESSNESS:** Project Coordinator Renata McLeod reported on the proposed plan to end homelessness in the City. She reviewed the process that was used to complete the proposed plan which included working groups, research and data collection, development of strategies, and obtaining feedback on strategies. Mrs. McLeod noted that the mission/vision statement for this group was to end homelessness in the Coeur d'Alene Area through a community response, and that all people within the Coeur d'Alene area have access to safe and affordable housing. She reviewed the data collected including demographics of the homeless, services rendered and the cost to the community which is approximately \$6,575,344/year on services. She reported that the strategies to be used in ending homelessness are outreach and collaboration, increasing the supply of supportive housing, promoting supportive services, developing a method of preventing the impoverished from becoming homeless, increasing economic opportunities through job placement, job training and employment counseling, creating innovative partnerships with businesses and organizations, creating measurable benchmarks for progress, creating standard data collection technology, doing periodic review of benchmarks and providing the public with education and access to current information. Mrs. McLeod provided examples of how the community can help end homelessness such as by providing housing/rentals, property management, volunteering, mentoring/sponsorship, fundraising, community collaboration, donations, job creation, and implementing the plan. She

announced that there will be a town hall meeting for community input on June 11, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. She noted that if anyone would like more information on this plan to contact Councilman Mike Kennedy at [mkennedy@cdaid.org](mailto:mkennedy@cdaid.org) or Renata McLeod at [Renata@cdaid.org](mailto:Renata@cdaid.org)

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

NEW EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTON: Wastewater Superintendent Sid Fredrickson, 2825 N. Honeysuckle Drive, introduced Scott Steenburgh as the City's newest Class II Collection Operator and Ken Davidson who fills the position of Collection Operator I.

POLE BARN COMPLAINT: Sharon Banducci, 755 E. Gregory Lane, voiced her objection to allowing a pole barn to be constructed on property on Gregory Lane. She believes that all the conditions set for the pole barn have been violated and no action has been taken by City staff. She is requesting that a 6-foot sight obscuring fence be erected at the expense of the owner with no access onto Gregory Lane. Deputy City Administrator Jon Ingalls responded that he has met several times with the homeowners of Gregory Lane and reported that the original permit request came from the property owner on Honeysuckle. The request had been reviewed by building and engineering, and it was determined that the city codes have been followed. The issue is that the owner of the pole barn had created access onto Gregory Lane through his own driveway. There is no ability to have traffic flowing from Honeysuckle onto Gregory Lane. He noted that there is no commercial use of this property and that the use is that of a garage. Councilman McEvers asked if the setbacks were based on the frontage being on Honeysuckle and asked why Gregory Lane wasn't considered the frontage road. Mr. Ingalls responded that the setback is from the rear of the yard and there is no prohibition from having doors in the back of the building. Councilman Edinger asked if property values have been affected by the construction of this pole barn, and the noise level has been increased due to the natural noise barrier (trees) being removed. Mr. Ingalls noted that trees on private property can be removed. In regard to the comment that the pole barn has now removed the dead end street of Gregory Lane, Mr. Ingalls responded that one individual can only drive one car and so traffic would not be increased. Councilman Edinger noted that one of the complaints was that traffic is now able to go from Honeysuckle onto Gregory Lane. Mr. Ingalls responded that this is not a public street and thus only the property owner could access Gregory Lane from this property. Mayor Bloem asked if there were any codes violated. Mr. Ingalls responded that although there may be some impact there are no code violations with the construction of this pole barn.

NEW EMPLOYEE INTRODUCED: Fire Chief Kenny Gabriel introduced the City's newest firefighter Gabriel Aaron Mills.

HAROLD HOCKER'S COMMENTS: Harold Hocker, 1413 E. Spokane Avenue, commented that regarding the previous property where the pole barn was constructed it looked like they had rough cement as opposed to gravel along the driveway. He asked about the building at the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Harrison, where the Do-It Center was located, and asked if that was part of the improvements on 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor Bloem responded that the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements end at 4<sup>th</sup> and Harrison.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** Motion by Hassell, seconded by McEvers to approve the Consent Calendar items as presented.

1. Approval of minutes for May 5, 2009.
2. Setting General Services Committee and Public Works Committee meetings for **TUESDAY**, May 26th at 12:00 noon and 4:00 p.m. respectively.
3. RESOLUTION 09-022: 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 DECLARING A FORMER POLICE PATROL VEHICLE, 2000 CHEVY IMPALA, AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE VEHICLE TO THE CITY OF POST FALLS; APPROVAL OF A BID AWARD AND CONTRACT WITH MDM CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE 2009 OPEN TRENCH SEWER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT; APPROVAL OF S-3-06 ACCEPTANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE / WARRANTY AGREEMENT FOR HAWKS NEST, 3<sup>RD</sup> ADDITION AND APPROVAL OF SS-11-08 FINAL PLAT APPROVAL; SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT FOR SANDKAT ADDITION AND APPROVAL OF A BID AWARD AND CONTRACT WITH SHANNON INDUSTRIAL CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WWTP LOW PHOSPHORUS PILOT FACILITY.
4. Authorizing Brooke Howard, Legal Intern, to represent the City to the extent permitted by law.
5. Approval of beer/wine license for The Mill, 2360 Old Mill Loop.
6. Approval of bills submitted and on file in the City Clerk's office.
7. Approval of mobile food cart near the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Sherman
9. Setting of Public Hearing for A-1-09 – Annexation/Zoning of former DeArmond Mill property for June 16, 2009

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

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

COUNCILMAN MC EVERS: Councilman McEvers announced that there is new equipment being delivered for the BMX Skate Park this weekend and asked for volunteers to put the equipment together. He noted that the Arts Commission is trying to decide which 4 bicycle racks out of the eight proposals submitted should be placed in the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement project in the Midtown area and asked the public for their comments. Steven Anthony, Arts Commission liaison, presented the 8 finalists' drawings of the bicycle racks. The plan is to have a poll done of the owners in the Midtown area to see which four bicycle racks they would like placed in Midtown.

COUNCILMAN EDINGER: Councilman Edinger asked if any park benches will be placed in the Midtown area. Jon Ingalls responded that there will be bus shelters with benches constructed.

**ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:** City Administrator Wendy Gabriel announced that the reconstruction of 4<sup>th</sup> Street will begin May 26<sup>th</sup>. She asked motorists to be aware of traffic control devices this weekend for the Cd'A Marathon with its main route being from Riverstone to Downtown along Mullan Avenue and Cd'A Lake Drive. The Library will be closed Sunday and Monday due to the Memorial Day holiday. City Hall will be also be closed on Monday except for the Fire and Police Departments. Garbage service will be delayed one day due to the holiday as well. The City of Coeur d'Alene has been allocated \$82,719.00 in stimulus funds for their CDBG grant and public comments on the proposed plan for using these funds can be sent to Renata McLeod at City Hall, 710 E. Mullan Ave. Police Officers Knoll and Schneider recently completed a drug recognition training course. Representatives from the Police Dept. attended a ceremony at Hayden Elementary School for their "Pennies for Protectors" fund raising project.

**AMENDING CDBG ACTION PLAN 2008 YEAR TO INCLUDE CDBG-R DOLLARS:** Project Coordinator, Renata McLeod, requested that the Council authorize the funding plan for 2008 be amended to include an additional \$82,719.00 the City received in stimulus funds for use in completing design work for Howard Avenue enhancements.

Motion by Edinger, seconded by Goodlander to approve the inclusion of the \$82,719.00 CDGB-R dollars into the 2008 CDBG Action Plan Year to be used for design services for enhancements within the Howard Avenue area and generally within census tract 9, block 1. Motion carried.

**REVIEW OF AWARD OF BID TO POLIN AND YOUNG FOR THE LANDINGS PARK, PHASE II:** Deputy City Attorney Warren Wilson reported that the City had received a written protest from Hillside Landscape Construction on the Landings Park Phase II bid award. The Council is being asked to determine whether the bid from Polin and Young Construction should be affirmed, modified or if the project should be re-bid.

Mr. Wilson reported that Hillside Landscape Construction raised two objections to the award of bid to Polin and Young. The first objection was that a copy of Addendum No 1 was not included in the bid submission. This objection was reviewed by the City's legal counsel and determined that Polin and Young's failure to include a copy of an Addendum that the City issued and that Polin and Young acknowledged receiving in their bid submittals is a minor informality and does not undermine the integrity of the bid award.

The second objection was that Polin and Young did not properly calculate bid items 8, 9, 12, 14 and 21, which resulted in an approximate savings to the City of \$1,300 when compared to the base bid. This too was reviewed by the City's legal counsel, which determined that Polin and Young rounded the unit prices submitted on the bid schedule but used the actual unit prices to calculate the base bid. The bid award was based on the base bid amount; therefore, this is a minor informality that does not undermine the integrity or the basis of the bid award.

**MOTION:** Motion by Goodlander, seconded by Edinger to reject the protest from Hillside Landscape Construction and to re-affirm the bid to Polin and Young for the Landings Park, Phase II project. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Edinger, seconded by McEvers that the meeting be recessed to May 21, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the former City Hall Council Chambers for a City Council workshop. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Sandi Bloem, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Susan K. Weathers, CMC  
City Clerk