

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

September 15, 2026

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 on September 15, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., there being present the following members:

Dan Gookin, Mayor

Dan English	)	Members of Council Present
Kenny Gabriel	)	
Dan Sheckler	)	
Christie Wood	)	
Kiki Miller	)	

Amy Evans	)	Member of Council Absent
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CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Gookin called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Gookin led the pledge of allegiance.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: MOTION: Motion by Miller, seconded by Wood, to amend the agenda to remove Item K, Executive Session. **Motion carried.**

ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH: Mayor Gookin read the proclamation declaring the month of October as Arts and Humanities Month in the City of Coeur d'Alene. Mary Lee Ryba, Arts Commission Chair, accepted the proclamation. Ms. Ryba noted the proclamation's importance for artists in the City of Coeur d'Alene in the month of October and invited the public to participate and celebrate the arts and humanities throughout October.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Gina Rodgers, Rathdrum, spoke about owning a local business and wanted to express her support for Council Bill 26-1015. Ms. Rodgers supports a regulatory approach rather than just treating all kratom products the same. Ms. Rodgers stated she talked with several of State of Idaho representatives about kratom earlier this year and they have expressed support for a kratom consumer protection bill at the state level. She asked for clarification on a specific area regarding the kratom ordinance. She stated that the prohibited products section states that a kratom product cannot be a confection or mimic candy, but the labeling section specifically lists gummies and tells retailers how gummies must be labeled. She then asked if under this bill properly label adult marketed gummies will be allowed or does calling them a confection prohibit them. Ms. Rodgers stated she supports prohibiting specific items for sale especially if they appeal to children and

wanted to emphasize that most of the kratom products that are questionable are synthetic products which should be removed. She asked for language in the ordinance to be clarified so responsible retailers know what they can and cannot sell.

Marc Mathes, Coeur d'Alene, talked about his support for kratom regulation. His wife uses natural kratom for injuries to alleviate pain from previous injuries. Mr. Mathes put importance on natural kratom which has helped his wife and emphasized he is against the synthetic kratom products being sold in gas stations and convenience stores. He asked Council to remove synthetic kratom products from the market and to keep natural kratom available for purchase.

Allie Mathes, Coeur d'Alene, spoke about her support for natural kratom. She talked about how kratom has helped her pain and alleviate it from her day to day activities. She has spoken about finding an opiate for her pain and for three years did not find a good solution. She stated about reduction in pain she has had when using natural kratom. She talked about how kratom needs to be regulated, and synthetic products need to be removed and emphasized availability to natural kratom.

Mason Valdez, Coeur d'Alene, spoke about his support for kratom regulation. He spoke about injuries he has sustained in his lifetime and has been able to bear the pain due to the use of natural kratom. Mr. Valdez talked about how synthetic kratoms need to be removed from being able to purchase in public. He added that if public safety is truly the goal, we should be looking at where the greatest risks are, not taking away natural products with comparatively lower documented risk, and that has impacted his life in a positive way.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Councilmember Miller announced that the North Idaho Building Contractors Association joint government meeting was today and talked about conversing with Leon Duce who is the city administrator for the City of Rathdrum, she emphasized the importance of this due to information that came to Council regarding his efforts to educate and help fix House Bill 389, which has caused real constraints among municipalities across the area.

Councilmember Miller announced Lance Sayer who was with the AIC organization was going through talking points regarding cybersecurity and emphasized to keep companies safe and not fall for phishing scams.

Councilmember Miller announced about an award regarding outstanding leadership that was awarded last week at the Joint Montana and Idaho Falls American Planning Association (APA) Conference for Community Planning Director Hilary Patterson regarding her dedication to APA Idaho. Ms. Patterson spoke on the award and appreciated being honored for the award. She spoke about how she would not be able to receive award if not for her team.

Councilmember Wood announced that the Parks and Recreation Commission met last night and a group of passionate, involved citizens are coming together to help with work on the City Park and

some much needed upgrades. She stated that the Commission will be presenting in the future regarding the public-private partnership in this regard.

Councilmember Wood announced that Parks and Recreation Commission will form a new advisory and this will be done at a workshop by the end of the month. She explained citizens will serve on this and the Commission too and will come back to Council when decisions are needed to be made to try and move forward with needed repairs in City Park.

Councilmember Wood announced Phil Boyd from Ignite showed up to Parks and Recreation Commission meeting last night and presented on a project that is slated for the remaining money in the River District before its closure in 2027, he showed some great concepts that provide much needed upgrades to meeting last night and spoke about project coming up to upgrades for Atlas park.

Councilmember English talked about bathrooms at a local park where his wife takes their great grandson all summer and the bathrooms not being open all summer and an outhouse was the only useable option. He stated he understands that vandalism has happened at the bathroom but there are things we can do to reopen those up. He also announced he will not be at next Council meeting on October 6th. Councilmember Wood responded and stated Parks and Rec Director Adam Rouse made a presentation regarding issues with the bathrooms in the City's parks. She explained vandalism has made it hard to keep bathrooms open due to the cost to repair damages. Councilmember English expressed interest in putting cameras near bathroom areas.

Mayor Gookin acknowledged the passing of Jon Brommeling, a valued former employee of the City of Coeur d'Alenes Streets and Engineering Department. Mr. Brommeling was a respected worker who had unwavering work ethic, a genuine "can do" attitude, and brightened every work place he entered. He earned the respect of his colleagues, clients, and those with whom he worked with on behalf of the City. The City is grateful for the approximately eight years of service to our community and for the professionalism and integrity he brought to his work. On behalf of the City Council and the City, he extended sincere condolences to his family, friends, colleagues, and all who knew and appreciated him.

Mayor Gookin announced that the City is seeking high school students ages 14–18 to serve as student representatives on several committees: Parks & Recreation, Ped/Bike, Urban Forestry, and CDA TV, with applications due by Friday, September 18, 2026. Applications can be found at the City's website www.cdavid.org/volunteer/student-representative. He also announced the current vacancy at the Planning and Zoning Commission and applications are due by September 18, 2026. He also mentioned the upcoming vacancy in the Library Board with applications due by September 4, 2026. Other current Committee vacancies for the public include the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee, Urban Forestry Committee, and Personnel Appeals Board. Applications can be found on the Volunteer Opportunities page of the city website www.cdavid.org/government/departments/municipal-services/volunteer-opportunities.

Lastly, the Mayor announced the retirement of long-term Library Board Trustee Katie Saylor. He extended the deepest gratitude to Mrs. Saylor as she concludes an extraordinary 40 years of service on the Library Board. Since her appointment in 1986, Ms. Saylor has been a tireless advocate for

libraries, championed equitable access to information, supported staff and leadership, helped establish the Library Foundation, and played a pivotal role in the planning, funding, and realization of the Library's current home. Her leadership, dedication, and steadfast commitment to the citizens of Coeur d'Alene helped shape the library into the vibrant community resource it is today. Her vision and service have left a lasting legacy. He thanked Mrs. Saylor for her remarkable contributions and years of faithful service to the Coeur d'Alene community and wish her all the best in the years ahead on behalf of the City Council.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Council Minutes for the August 31 and September 1, 2026, Council Meetings.
2. Setting of a Public Works Committee Meeting on September 21, 2026.
3. Approval of Bills as Submitted.
4. Approval of Financial Report.
5. Final Plat, for SS-26-04, CD Hotel Group Acres.
6. **Resolution No. 26-074** - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCEPTANCE OF EASEMENT AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC STREET TREES FROM BENJAMIN PAULUS, BLUE FERN HOMES 08, LLC, FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2ND STREET AND GARDEN AVENUE; APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT, AN AGREEMENT TO PERFORM SUBDIVISION WORK, AN AGREEMENT TO PERFORM LANDSCAPE WORK, AND SECURITY FOR JUNIPER RIDGE (S-4-24); AND APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO SOLID WASTE BILLING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH KOOTENAI COUNTY.

MOTION: Motion by Miller, seconded by Gabriel, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, including **Resolution No. 26-074**.

ROLL CALL: Sheckler Aye; Miller Aye; Gabriel Aye; English Aye; Wood Aye. **Motion carried.**

RESOLUTION NO. 26-075

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY'S CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN RE-LEVELING THE BUILDING MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT POSITION FROM PAY GRADE 14 TO PAY GRADE 15, THE HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST POSITION FROM PAY GRADE 11 TO PAY GRADE 12, AND THE STREETS MAINTENANCE WORKER POSITION FROM PAY GRADE 8 TO PAY GRADE 9.

STAFF REPORT: Human Resources Director Melissa Tosi presented proposed amendments to the City's Classification and Compensation Plan. She noted that the City entered into a Professional Services Agreement with BestDayHR in January 2026 to complete a classification and compensation study. The consultant presented the overall findings at the July 27, 2026, Council Meeting and suggested the following three amendments for upward movement: Building Maintenance Superintendent from Pay Grade 14 to Pay Grade 15; Human Resources (HR) Specialist from Pay Grade 11 to Pay Grade 12; and Street Maintenance Worker from Pay Grade 8 to Pay Grade 9. These recommended increases are based on duties and responsibilities and brings

them in line with market rates. She noted that the reclassification will affect four (4) employees, with an implementation cost of \$21,546.00 for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. The implementation cost will come from fund balance or potential savings in general personnel costs over the fiscal year. She recommended the approval to provide updated leveling for the duties and responsibilities needed for these classifications for both internal equity and external market data. She stated that the Streets Maintenance Worker and HR specialist both sat 71% below market, with lots of good peer analysis data to compare these to. She stated that the Building Maintenance Superintendent has an increased scope of work from when it was first approved by Council. This position is more involved in the budget and doing more of the day to day operations of building maintenance in Parks and Recreation, overseeing all the contractors and vendors. With the approved custodial the Building Maintenance Superintendent supervises the lead and other custodial staff for the City. With all these changes it brings the building maintenance superintendent in par with the two other superintendents in Parks and Recreation.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Wood voiced her support for this resolution and to put positions into the right category. She asked about where the funds would come from. Finance Director Katie Ebner spoke that the funds could come from fund balance and hopes that there are going to be savings in in some departments. She stated that some departments are much smaller and do not have vacancies throughout the year. She wanted to be clear that a department that didn't have any personnel savings to cover this would come as an amendment in the next FY 27 amended budget.

MOTION: Motion by Wood, seconded by Miller, to approve Resolution No. 26-075 - approving the proposed classification and compensation plan amendments to include Building Maintenance Superintendent from Pay Grade 14 to 15; Human Resources Specialist from Pay Grade 11 to 12; and Street Maintenance Worker from Pay Grade 8 to 9.

ROLL CALL: Miller Aye; Gabriel Aye; English Aye; Wood Aye; Sheckler Aye. **Motion carried.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 26-1015

AN ORDINANCE ADDING A NEW CHAPTER, 9.27, REGULATION OF KRATOM, TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A SUMMARY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

STAFF REPORT: City Attorney Randy Adams presented Council Bill No. 26-1015, which would create Coeur d'Alene Municipal Code Chapter 9.27, entitled "Regulation of Kratom." Mr. Adams explained that Kratom is the term used for the leaves of a tropical Asian evergreen tree, *Mitragyna speciosa*. It has been used in herbal medicine since at least the 19th century, historically consumed by chewing, smoking, and drinking tea. In 2019, the United States Food and Drug Administration stated that there is no evidence that Kratom is safe or effective as a medication for treating any condition and has not shown to have a positive effect on mental health. That continues to be the position of the FDA. However, it is used by some for chronic pain management, for treating opioid withdrawal symptoms, and for recreational purposes. Kratom is reported by some

to act as a stimulant. Research is also ongoing to determine possible antipsychotic and antidepressant properties. Kratom sold today often contains active compounds that interact with opioid receptors and carry risks of dependence, misuse, and adverse health effects. The safety concerns are primarily related to adulterated or chemically enhanced Kratom products, particularly those containing artificially elevated levels of 7-hydroxymitragynine (7-OH). 7-OH, is an opiate that is 13 times more powerful than morphine, leading to Kratom being referred to as “Gas Station Heroin.” Several cities in Idaho (Post Falls, Idaho Falls, Sandpoint, Garden City, among others) have considered various types of regulation of Kratom, but only one city has banned the sale of Kratom and that was Kellogg this past April. Spokane, Washington banned the distribution entirely. There has been some discussion about having uniform regulations for all jurisdictions in Kootenai County, for the purpose of enhancing enforcement, but, even if all jurisdictions agreed on the format of the regulations, it will likely be some time before they would be passed. In the meantime, the harm associated with Kratom and Kratom products would continue. On July 1, 2026, the Kootenai County Coroner sent a letter to city councils and mayors urging the passage of regulations banning the sale of Kratom. He stated that his office “is unfortunately processing an increasing number of deaths where Kratom is involved as one of the toxic ingredients. One death this past year was the result of an overdose involving only Kratom.” The Coroner further stated: “Natural Kratom is not safe.” The resulting proposed Ordinance is the result of extensive discussions with Police, the Prosecutor, and attorneys for other Idaho cities. The proposed Ordinance requires a City license to produce, distribute, or dispense Kratom or Kratom products. It prohibits the distribution or dispensing of Kratom or Kratom products to persons under the age of 21. It prohibits persons under the age of 21 from knowingly or intentionally possessing Kratom or Kratom products. It limits the levels of 7-OH and solvents in Kratom or Kratom products possessed, produced, or distributed in the City. It prohibits possessing, producing, or distributing Kratom or Kratom products as a confection, that mimics a candy product, or that is marketed in a way that is likely to appeal to children. It provides labeling requirements and requires that Kratom and Kratom products be secured behind a counter or in a locked display case. The Panhandle Health District issued a kratom war in February of this year, due to its addictive and overdose potential, it observed that there have been deaths in North Idaho associated with kratom and noted at low doses, kratom has sedative properties similar to opioids. The Ordinance provides that the Police have the power to inspect businesses selling Kratom or Kratom products to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Ordinance. An initial violation of labeling and accessibility regulations is subject to a civil penalty. Subsequent violations are infractions. The first violation of any other section of the Ordinance is an infraction, with subsequent violations constituting a misdemeanor. However, any violation of regulations related to licensing and selling to minors constitutes a misdemeanor. A license can be revoked or denied for repeated violations. An appeal process is provided for a person whose license has been revoked or who has been denied a license. There is currently no field test for Kratom. However, it is felt that the proposed regulations will deter unlawful sale, use, and possession, and the enforcement mechanism will be in place when testing becomes available.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Wood spoke about the public testimony and thanked them for sharing their experiences with natural kratom. She asked about Gina Rodgers question who spoke in public comment about the clarification of the language of gummies/candies sold to the public. Mr. Adams responded that it is certainly an option, a confection is defined as something with a high sugar content, it can be a cake or candy or something similar can be considered.

Councilmember Wood asked Police Chief Greg Yeager about what abuses he is seeing from minors in school. Chief Yeager responded that SRO would find items usually suspected to be kratom and by the time they reach the schools it is usually not in original packaging so they would find capsules in different locations and usually just dispose of it. He spoke about there is no field test to determine right on the scene. Though if it was apart from a larger issue not just in a moment at a school there are tests at the state level. He stated that they have seen a handful of issues within schools regarding kratom and one medical incident where the school's nurse's opinion was that the student was intoxicated by kratom but not something where we have seen overdoses or things in that nature at our schools. Chief Yeager added that the City Police Department has cases of Kratom thefts in the City.

Councilmember Miller asked if Narcan help with kratom. Chief Yeager responded that there have been some scientific studies that have shown it is effective at time but not hundred percent reliable so not something officers can rely on.

Councilmember English spoke about his support on the council bill. He stated that there has not been scientific proof or studies that can't prove that it benefits people. He emphasized his appreciation regarding this ordinance and the work put into this.

Councilmember Sheckler thanked the City's legal counsel and police department for helping regulate this. He spoke about the importance to regulate kratom though the sugary items should potentially be talked about at the state level not the local. He recommended that the City should focus on prohibiting the sale to minors and recommend staff to remove the labeling provisions and focus directly on prohibiting the sale to minors. He said we need to be cautious about this due to it deals with health and then recommended changing the age from 21 to 18 years old due to when they turn 18, they oversee their own medical destiny. He recommended at a local level the age of 18 should be the age due to it does not getting into complex medical decision making. He stated he would like to see the City be cautious about creating these labeling standards and regulating them that way. Councilmember Miller responded and agreed with Councilmember Sheckler on not getting into the weeds of labeling and confection. She stated she doesn't believe this will be the last time the Council will be talking about this and the federal level is already looking at regulations. She emphasized she didn't agree with changing the age from 21 to 18 due to there are a lot of 18 year olds that are still in school and can bring kratom into the school with them. That just makes the policing harder for SROs for who is selling it. She reconfirmed that she would like to see the age stay at 21 with simplifications and to make sure it is kept away from kids, put behind the counter, ID for 21, and that tiered system of infractions.

Councilmember Gabriel asked Mr. Adams about other municipalities or states that use the 21 ages as the guideline. Mr. Adams responded that it is the guideline and has not seen any that have chosen the 18 age but believes there may well be some out there.

Councilmember Wood asked about labeling the products to give guidance to people who are selling them legally. Mr. Adams responded that the manufactures are the ones who usually put labeling on the products. He stated manufactures could update labeling to have a clear indication of what it is. Mr. Adams spoke about how he was not the one creating these labeling requirements

for kratom himself. These come from several jurisdictions that have established these labeling restrictions.

Councilmember Sheckler spoke about an issue with a portion of the council bill that may be a snag in the regulation of kratom if someone would be committing a crime if they didn't have something on their product that says this product is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any disease.

Mayor Gookin asked Gina Rogers to come up and give some input about the labeling requirements for kratom. Ms. Rodgers emphasized most of the products in her store usually say the serving size and 7-Hdroxymitrogeny level in a natural product or even just a extract. She stated that you won't find a natural product higher than 2% and noticed in the ordinance there is a 2% limit on that. Mayor Gookin asked if anything in the ordinance would hinder her business. She responded with the restriction on gummies would strain the sales of kratom. Councilmember Miller asked if the word gummies were removed from the ordinance, Ms. Rodgers would be comfortable on selling under what is being proposed. Ms. Rodgers replied that she believes she would be as they fall within these guidelines.

Councilmember Wood talked about coming back and adjusting whatever the state does, and AIC would spearhead some of this but believed for tonight it probably pretty good and it get this process started.

MOTION: Motion by Sheckler, seconded by Wood, to dispense with the rule and read **Council Bill No. 26-1015** once by title only.

ROLL CALL: Gabriel Aye; English Aye; Wood Aye; Sheckler Aye; Miller Aye.
Motion carried.

MOTION: Motion by Sheckler, seconded by, to adopt **Council Bill 26-1015**. With removal of 9.27.030 Section D
Motion failed.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Wood asked if there is a chance to offer a similar motion to adopt the bill with removing 9.27.030 Section D Subsections one and two.

Councilmember Gabriel expressed less is more and should be regulated at the state level. He does not disagree with Sheckler's stance on this.

MOTION: Motion by Wood, seconded by English, to adopt **Council Bill 26-1015. With removal of 9.27.030 Section D "1" "2."**

ROLL CALL: Gabriel Aye; English Aye; Wood Aye; Sheckler Aye; Miller Aye.
Motion carried.

**(LEGISLATIVE) LEGISLATIVE – AMENDMENT TO FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
ANNUAL APPROPRIATION**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 26-1016

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 3761, THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025 APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$154,901,816, WHICH SUM INCLUDES ADDITIONAL MONIES RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE IN THE SUM OF \$2,956,341; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF A SUMMARY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai County, Idaho:

Section 1

That Section 1 of Ordinance 3761, Ordinance of the City of Coeur d'Alene, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

That the sum of \$154,901,816, be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai County, Idaho, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025.

Section 2

That Section 2 of Ordinance 3761; Ordinances of the City of Coeur d'Alene be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

That the objects and purposes for which such appropriations are made are as follows:

	FY 2025-26 ORIGINAL BUDGET	FY 2025-26 AMENDED BUDGET
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:		
Mayor and Council	286,810	296,410
Administration	259,678	344,804
Finance Department	1,913,676	1,942,676
Municipal Services	3,073,760	3,336,119
Human Resources	548,119	548,119
Legal Department	1,447,251	1,447,251
Planning Department	814,379	818,399
Building Maintenance	928,991	1,099,227
Police Department	21,465,567	21,966,511

Police Department Grants	567,456	567,456
Fire Department	15,043,792	16,273,831
General Government	7,015,993	7,145,993
Streets/Garage	3,258,893	3,793,910
Parks Department	838,840	838,840
Recreation Department	1,180,047	1,180,047
Building Inspection	70,810	70,810
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:	58,714,062	61,670,404

	FY 2025-26 ORIGINAL BUDGET	FY 2025-26 AMENDED BUDGET
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND EXPENDITURES:		
Library Fund	2,140,076	2,140,076
2025 Bond Expenditures	16,336,161	16,336,161
CDBG	342,971	342,971
Impact Fees	-	-
Parks Capital Imp.	781,100	781,100
Annexation Fees	580,000	580,000
Cemetery Fund	366,420	366,420
Cemetery Perpetual Care	19,700	19,700
Jewett House	33,115	33,115
Reforestation	137,000	137,000
Public Art Fund	201,000	201,000
	-	-
TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS:	20,937,543	20,937,543

ENTERPRISE FUND EXPENDITURES:		
Street Lighting Fund	883,820	883,820
Water Fund	16,451,232	16,451,232
Wastewater Fund	28,835,381	28,835,381
Water Cap Fee Fund	3,220,000	3,220,000
WWTP Cap Fees Fund	5,350,000	5,350,000
Sanitation Fund	5,625,198	5,625,198
City Parking Fund	1,834,020	1,834,020
Drainage	2,251,951	2,251,951
	-	-
TOTAL ENTERPRISE EXPENDITURES:	64,451,602	64,451,602

FIDUCIARY FUNDS:	3,611,200	3,611,200
STREET CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS:	2,440,000	2,440,000
DEBT SERVICE FUNDS:	1,791,067	1,791,067

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURES:

151,945,475

154,901,816

Section 3

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage, approval and publication in one (1) issue of the Coeur d'Alene Press, a newspaper of general circulation published within the City of Coeur d'Alene and the official newspaper thereof.

STAFF REPORT: Finance Director Katie Ebner presented the fiscal year-end amended budget appropriation ordinance, explaining that the amendment accounts for changes in revenues and expenditures, previously approved resolutions, unanticipated costs, and projects extending across fiscal years. The proposed ordinance increased expenditure appropriations by approximately \$3 million and recognized approximately \$1.1 million in additional revenue. She noted that the amendment did not account for departmental budget savings, so the final net impact was expected to be less than the difference between the additional appropriations and revenues. The expenditure amendments included costs associated with the Voluntary Separation Incentive Program, which incurred upfront costs in FY 2026 but was expected to produce savings in future fiscal years. She also noted a \$196,309 carryover within Municipal Services for the citywide IT software automation program. Building Maintenance amendments included funding for HVAC system recalls. She explained that the work might not be completed during the current fiscal year but recommended including the expenditures in case the work could proceed. The Police Department amendment accounted for the previously approved purchase of three patrol vehicles and that personnel savings was expected to help offset the purchase. The Fire Department amendments included an additional \$648,000 for constant staffing. Although the amount was significant, she reported that it was lower than the prior fiscal year's budget overage of more than \$1 million. The reduction was attributed to hiring additional firefighters, which decreased reliance on overtime to cover employee leave. The amendments also included \$83,000 for a Fire Department reorganization and several grant-related expenditures, including \$112,469 for a generator grant at Fire Station No. 1. The Streets Department amendment included a \$345,000 carryover for construction work that could not be completed within the prior fiscal year. It also recognized a \$170,000 grant from the Idaho Transportation Department, with corresponding revenue and expenditure adjustments. Ms. Ebner recommended approval of the amended budget appropriation ordinance to ensure that the final fiscal year budget accurately reflected Council-approved actions, grant activity, project carryovers, and other changes occurring during the year.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY: Mayor Gookin opened the public testimony portion of the hearing.

With no more comments received, Mayor Gookin closed public testimony.

MOTION: Motion by Miller, seconded by Wood, to dispense with the rule and read **Council Bill No. 26-1016** once by title only.

ROLL CALL: English Aye; Wood Aye; Sheckler Aye; Miller Aye; Gabriel Aye.
Motion carried.

MOTION: Motion by Miller, seconded by Wood, to adopt **Council Bill 26-1016.**

ROLL CALL: English Aye; Wood Aye; Sheckler Aye; Miller Aye; Gabriel Aye.
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Wood, seconded by Gabriel, that there being no other business this meeting be adjourned. **Motion carried.**

The meeting ended at 7:25 p.m.



Daniel K. Gookin, Mayor

ATTEST:



Konner Petticolas, Executive Assistant