May 20, 2024

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON, IDAHO, met in a Special Meeting Budget Session #3 in the Bell Building Second Floor Conference Room at 215 D Street. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

I. CALL TO ORDER

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Mayor Johnson; Councilor Forsmann; Councilor Klein (Zoom); Councilor Liedkie; Councilor Schroeder; Councilor Spickelmire.

COUNCILORS EXCUSED: Council President Kleeburg.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

IV. BUDGET ITEMS

A. FACILITIES

Parks and Recreation Director Barker reviewed projects that would need to be considered in the next few years, such as construction of a new city shop building, Bert Lipps Pool, and a Facility Master Plan.

B. ASSIGNED BUILDING FUND

Parks and Recreation Director Barker explained that although funds were budgeted through the Assigned Building Fund for the Community Park Parking Lot Phase 1 Project in Fiscal Year 2022, the project has not been completed. He requested to use the remaining 2022 funds to finalize the design and complete the installation of outdoor fitness equipment, a basketball court, and a shelter, as well as to finish concrete work, sidewalks, benches, garbage cans, landscaping, and a bicycle playground area in Fiscal Year 2025.

C. GOLF

Parks and Recreation Director Barker reviewed the Bryden Canyon Golf Course Capital Projects and Capital Equipment budget requests for the 2025 Fiscal Year.

D. CAPITAL PARKS

Parks and Recreation Director Barker summarized the Fiscal Year 2025 budget requests for park improvements, which include a shelter at Sunset Park, cameras in the park system, and path repair at Kiwanis Park.

E. CEMETERY

Parks and Recreation Director Barker summarized the Fiscal Year 2025 budget requests related to the Normal Hill Cemetery Capital project, which would be the development of a cremation area.

F. CAPITAL TRANSPORTATION

Public Works Director Johnson reviewed the proposed capital project requests for Fiscal Year 2025 related to the transportation budget.

G. WATER, WASTEWATER, SANITATION & STORMWATER

Public Works Director Johnson reviewed the Fiscal Year 2025 capital requests related to the water, wastewater, sanitation and stormwater budgets.

V. BUDGET DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION

This is an opportunity for Councilors to ask questions, have discussions and provide direction to staff related to the fiscal year 2025 budget - Action Item

Finance Director Gordon noted the City Council is halfway through the budget sessions and the next budget session would include department requests and personnel.

Councilor Klein questioned if the $10 million in funding from the Department of Environmental Quality could be reallocated to a different project, if the Intake Rebuild project could not be completed.

Councilor Spickelmire requested last year's budget information to make a comparison.

Councilor Forsmann asked if it's common to allocate funds for projects that take multiple years to finish and if funds could instead be allocated to projects that can be completed within the year.

VI. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

A. CITY COUNCILOR COMMENTS: Comments shall not be related to an item currently before the City Council or an item that may come before the City Council in the foreseeable future, and shall be limited to comments, not discussion.

None.

B. MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Johnson asked Public Works Director Johnson to announce the Public Works Expo would be on May 23rd at the Nez Perce County Fairgrounds from 9 am to 2 pm.

Mayor Johnson then introduced Public Works Financial Functions Coordinator Grijalva to the City Council.

VII. ADJOURNMENT - Action Item

There being no further business to come before the Lewiston City Council, Councilors Schroeder and Spickelmire moved and seconded, respectively, to adjourn the May 20, 2024 Budget Session #3 Meeting. The motion carried 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

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Daniel G. Johnson, Mayor

Tanya M. Brocke, City Clerk