

June 9, 2025

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON, IDAHO, met in a Special Meeting – Budget Session #2 in the Second Floor Conference Room of the Bell Building at 215 D Street. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

I. CALL TO ORDER

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Mayor Johnson; Council President Kleeburg; Councilor Forsmann; Councilor Klein; Councilor Schroeder; Councilor Spickelmire; Councilor Wright.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

IV. BUDGET ITEMS

Public Works Director Johnson reviewed utility funds, capital needs, and rate structures for water, wastewater, stormwater, sanitation, and transportation. Council discussed reinvestment needs, potential rate adjustments, and project priorities. Consensus was reached on a 10% water rate increase with a meter fee freeze, 2.5% wastewater increase (CPI), no stormwater rate change, and a 5% sanitation increase using reserves. Transportation project priorities and funding options were reviewed. Council was encouraged to follow up with questions, and the Mayor concluded with an update on ongoing efforts to secure funding through the Governor's office.

A. CAPITAL PROJECTS

B. CAPITAL FUND

C. WATER, WASTEWATER, SANITATION

D. UTILITY RATES

V. BUDGET DISCUSSION

This is an opportunity for Councilors to ask questions, have discussions and provide direction to staff related to the fiscal year 2026 budget – Action Item

Councilor Klein inquired whether questions should be directed to staff or the Mayor. Mayor Johnson clarified that questions should be sent to him.

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.

Councilor Klein commended Public Works staff for a successful Public Works Day. Councilor Forsmann concurred, noting the strong turnout and also announced that Hobby Lobby is now open.

B. MAYOR COMMENTS

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT - Action Item

There being no further business to come before the Lewiston City Council, Councilor Schroeder and Council President Kleeburg moved and seconded, respectively, to adjourn the June 9, 2025, Budget Session #2. The motion carried 6-0 and the meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.




Daniel G. Johnson, Mayor


Tanya M. Brocke, City Clerk

