

June 29, 2023

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON, IDAHO, met in a Special Budget Session #6 at the Bell Building Second Floor Conference Room at 215 D Street. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:23 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Johnson; Council President Liedkie (via Zoom); Councilor Forsmann; Councilor Schroeder; Councilor Spickelmire

COUNCIL MEMBERS EXCUSED: Councilor Kleeburg; Councilor Tousley

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments were provided.

IV. BUDGET ITEMS

A. PARKS (INCLUDING CAPITAL); RECREATION; FACILITIES

Parks and Recreation Director Barker reported there are four main divisions within the Parks and Recreation Department that will be keyed in on, which include Golf, Parks, Recreation and Facilities. Mr. Barker then reviewed the highlights and project requests of each division for fiscal year 2024.

B. FINANCE

Finance Director Gordon presented the finance department budget and requests, which included the general accounting, purchasing, utility billing and fleet services divisions.

C. BUDGET WRAP-UP

Finance Director Gordon reviewed the general fund revenues, investment income, property taxes, reserve spending, and personnel requests.

D. REVIEW SCHEDULE OF BUDGET DOCUMENTS, PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES, PUBLIC HEARING AND ORDINANCE READINGS

Finance Director Gordon explained there will be three ordinances and one resolution for the budget that will be on the August agenda for Council's consideration.

E. CLOSING COMMENTS

Council President Liedkie appreciated Ms. Gordon's thoroughness, requested to see the vacancies in each division, and thanked the Mayor and staff.

Councilor Forsmann asked about putting the information on social media for citizens. Ms. Gordon said the budget guide is sent out as an insert in the paper and posted to the city website. Ms. Gordon also said she would work with the Public Information Officer to get the information out to citizens.

Mayor Johnson spoke to each department successfully tightening their budgets and continuing to explore other potential savings.

V. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

A. CITY COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Council President Liedkie thanked staff for providing information and commended the Public Works Department for the work they are doing to complete various projects.

Councilor Forsmann thanked staff for their hard work providing information so Council can make informed decisions.

B. MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Johnson thanked the Councilors for their time and effort put into the meetings during the budget process.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Lewiston City Council, Councilors Forsmann and Schroeder moved and seconded, respectively, to adjourn the June 29, 2023, special budget meeting. The motion carried 6-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.