



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

City Hall - 10769 W State Street, Star, Idaho
Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER – Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Chadwick welcomed the public to the meeting at 7pm.

2. INVOCATION

Bryan Howard with the Cause Church offered the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL

Council President David Hershey was excused from the meeting as he was out of state on a fire assignment. Present were Council Members Kevan Wheelock and Jennifer Salmonsens; Mayor Trevor Chadwick; Council Member Kevin Nielsen participated remotely until his arrival in person at 7:50pm.

Staff in attendance were Assistant City Planner Ryan Field, City Engineer Ryan Morgan, City Clerk-Treasurer Jacob Qualls, Public Information Officer Dana Partridge, and Special Counsel Andrea Nielsen.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Theresa Tinsley of Star reported several of her neighbors in the Starlight Meadows Subdivision had spoken to her and reported a potential concern regarding pedestrian safety crossing Highway 44 to the soon to be opened McDonalds from her subdivision. She offered suggestions of a possible crosswalk installation at the intersection to help provide pedestrians with a safe area to cross to the new business. She stated she had heard reports of a crosswalk being installed between Heron River and El Mariachi Loco Mexican Restaurante'.

Mayor Chadwick reported Highway 44 will soon have some sidewalks and segregated pathways on the south side of the highway in most areas. The north side will have sidewalks all the way down to Plummer using bonding techniques with new businesses. He asked Idaho Transportation Department to investigate the crosswalk suggestion and would get back to Tinsley in the near future.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. US-20/26 ITD Update - Chinden West Improvements between Middleton Road and Star Road

Matt Heinichen with Idaho Transportation Department gave an update to the Council on the Chinden West Project (US-20/26) project and shared a presentation reflecting on the background of the project as it will tie into I-84 and widen the road to eventually 6 travel lanes, a raised island median to separate eastbound and westbound traffic, improve roadway shoulders, create a 10-foot detached shared use path for pedestrians and cyclists and signalize several intersections. Heinichen reported the project has already begun in several areas and is due to be complete in the spring of 2024.

Merrill Sharp with Idaho Transportation Department who is the Project Manager for the State Highway 16 Project offered an update as well. He stated the project is a phased approach which will tie I-84 to Highway 16 near Nampa and to eventually Emmett. Sharp reported the project has already begun with a new

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interchange at I-84 and Franklin Road and will provide access to the central Treasure Valley north of I-84. Ramps will be built to connect I-84 to Franklin Road which will be widened, and new signals installed.

Sharp reported the next phase of the project is Ustick Road to US-20/26. The project will include a reconstruction of the intersection of State Highway 16 and US-20/26. 20/26 will be widened immediately around the intersection, McDermott Road will end at a cul-de-sac just south of US-20/26. McMillan Road will have an overpass constructed to carry US-20/26 traffic over McMillan and a new bicycle and pedestrian bridge will be constructed over Five Mile Creek.

The project will include signals at Ustick Road and State Highway 16 as it will also be widened. McDermott Road will be moved east of the intersection.

Sharp reported construction impacts are anticipated; access to businesses, residential areas and irrigation will remain open, however there will be occasional closures and delays on roads in the area. There will be increased truck traffic as they build off and on ramps. He stated there will be some noise and some nighttime work as well as detours on McDermott Road and Flamingo Avenue. He suggested to allow for extra travel time.

Council Member Salmonsens and Mayor Chadwick thanked ITD for the improvements made between Highway 16 and Linder on Highway 44 that were just completed. Citizens have reported their commute times have decreased by as much as nine minutes.

Sharp stated his project and the Chinden US-20/26 West Project have different contractors and coordination of the efforts, especially around Highway 16 and US-20/26 will be a challenge but will be much better when complete.

Vince Trimboli with the Idaho Transportation Department was asked about Continuous Flow Intersections (CFI) on the projects; he replied, the intersection at Star Road and US-20/26 is designed to have one according to the Environmental Assessment, however a CFI will not be constructed at this time at the intersection. Council Member Wheelock stated he did not like CFIs, however Council Member Nielsen stated he did like them.

Merrill Sharp also invited the Mayor and Council to a groundbreaking ceremony on Monday August 22 for the Highway 16 project at 11am. Sharp stated dignitaries including the Governor are scheduled to be in attendance.

6. CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION ITEM)

- A. Approval of Claims Provided & Previously Approved
- B. Findings of Fact Coriander Lane Variance (File: V-22-01)
 - Council Member Salmonsens moved to approve the consent agenda; Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Wheelock-aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen – aye. Motion carried.

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7. ACTION ITEMS:

A. **FY 2022/2023 Budget Ordinance:** AN ORDINANCE, TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STAR, IDAHO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2022, AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2023, APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$14,396,119.73 TO DEFRAY ALL NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF STAR FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR; SPECIFYING THE OBJECT AND PURPOSES FOR WHICH SUCH APPROPRIATIONS ARE MADE AND THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR EACH OBJECT AND PURPOSE; AUTHORIZING THE CERTIFICATION TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ADA & CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO, THE AMOUNT OF **\$1,730,572.00** PROPERTY TAXES TO BE LEVIED AND ASSESSED UPON THE TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF A COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE WITH THE OFFICE OF THE IDAHO SECRETARY OF STATE AS PROVIDED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(ACTION ITEM)**

- Council Member Wheelock moved to introduce the FY 22/23 Appropriations Ordinance, suspend the rules requiring three separate readings on three separate days and read by title only once; Council Member Salmonsens seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Wheelock-aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen – aye. Motion carried.
- Council Member Salmonsens read the Title of the FY 22/23 Appropriations Ordinance and moved to approve; Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Wheelock-aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen – aye. Motion carried.

B. **Building Code Valuation Resolution 004-2022:** A resolution adopting the Building Valuation Data as published by the International Building Code Council **(ACTION ITEM)**

Mayor Chadwick explained the International Building Code has adopted new values and the city has not updated the value schedule and this Resolution adopts those values.

- Council Member Salmonsens moved to adopt Resolution 004-2022 adopting the ICC Values as published twice a year; Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Wheelock-aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen – aye. Motion carried.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS with ACTION ITEMS:

A. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Leasha Estates Subdivision (AZ-22-04 Annexation & Zoning, DA-22-04 Development Agreement, PP-22-06 Preliminary Plat) - The Applicant is seeking approval of an Annexation and Zoning (R-3-DA), a Development Agreement, and Preliminary Plat for a proposed residential subdivision consisting of 12 residential lots and 4 common lots. The property is located at 2700 N. Brandon Road in Star, Idaho, and consists of 5 acres with a proposed density of 2.4 dwelling units per acre. **(ACTION ITEM) - WITHDRAWN APPLICATION**

Mayor Chadwick reported the applicant withdrew their application. Assistant City Planner Ryan Field stated Planning & Zoning Administrator Shawn Nickel will work with the applicant if required.



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B. **Executive Session 74-206(f):** To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. **(ACTION ITEM)**

- Council Member Salmonsens moved to go into Executive Session under Idaho Code 74-206(f) to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. Council Member Nielsen stated he would be in the City Council Chambers in a few minutes if the council chose to wait for him to be in person. ROLL CALL VOTE: Wheelock-aye; Salmonsens – aye; Nielsen – aye. Motion carried.

Council retired to Executive Session at 7:44pm; with Wheelock, Chadwick, Salmonsens, Nielsen (7:50pm), Special Counsel Andrea Nielsen and City Clerk-Treasurer Qualls.

The Star City Council reconvened in open session at 8:42pm after speaking about pending litigation.

ACTIONS AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION: Any actions made after the executive session that can be disclosed will be approved by motion in open session but may be generalized. **(ACTION ITEM)**
No actions were taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Chadwick adjourned the meeting at 8:43pm.

/s/ Trevor A Chadwick

/s/ Jacob M Qualls

Trevor A Chadwick, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jacob M Qualls, City Clerk-Treasurer