

April 18, 2022

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON, IDAHO, met in a Special Work Session at the Lewiston City Library Second Floor Activity Room at 411 D Street. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

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I. CALL TO ORDER

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Johnson; Council President Liedkie; Councilor Blount; Councilor Forsmann; Councilor Schroeder; Councilor Tousley; Councilor Kleeburg

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Chief Travis Myklebust, Aaron Butler, Tanya Brocke, Dustin Johnson, Aimee Gordon, Kayla Hermann, Jana Gomez (via Zoom); Luke Antonich; Joe Kaufman;

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Kleeburg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. CITIZEN COMMENT

There were no citizen comments provided.

IV. WORK SESSION ITEMS

A. FIRE STATION 4 PROJECT UPDATE: *Update on the project provided by Fire Chief Myklebust*

Fire Chief Myklebust introduced Jeff Jerome from CORE Construction and provided an update on the Fire Station 4 project, which included a history of the project over the past seven years. The contract with CORE Construction was approved in December 2021, which has Phases 1A, 1B, and Phase 2. Phase 1A consists of 30% design and has been completed.

Continuing, Chief Myklebust explained that the total estimated cost of the entire project is \$6,908,390. The increased cost is due to road frontage improvements on Bryden Avenue and 5th Street, slope of the property, increased cost of building materials and labor, and the availability of labor, materials and projects.

Concluding his report, Chief Myklebust provided several options for the Council on the next steps relating to the project. Options to consider included: 1) continuing with the current Station 4 project and approving the Phase 1B contract plan amendment, 2) pausing the current project but continuing in the future with a station at 5th and Bryden, or 3) finding a new location for Station 4 and selling the current property located at 5th and Bryden.

After discussion and questions from Councilors, Mayor Johnson directed staff to work with the Legal Department and CORE Construction to bring the contract plan amendment to the May 2nd meeting for Council consideration.

B. STORMWATER: *Overview of the report prepared by Aspect Consulting to guide the finalization and potential adoption of the City of Lewiston Stormwater user fees*

Public Works Director Johnson provided background information and introduced John Knutson and Bill Rice from Aspect Engineering. The purpose was to identify city stormwater capital improvement program needs, plan for new city stormwater regulatory requirements, identify and evaluate stormwater program funding alternatives and implement the preferred stormwater program funding approach. Most of the project was completed in 2020 but the project went on hold during the coronavirus pandemic.

Mr. Knutson and Mr. Rice presented an overview of the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Phase II (NPDES II) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4), an assessment of the Stormwater project and program needs. Mr. Knutson and Mr. Rice explained funding options and recommended the City implement stormwater user fees. These fees are a common national approach, are a fee for services like water and sewer and are implemented by ordinance. Continuing, Mr. Knutson and Mr. Rice presented a map outlining the two potential service areas, "Pipetown" and "Swaletown", as well as examples of fee rates. Mr. Knutson and Mr. Rice concluded their presentation with the recommended next steps.

After Council discussion and questions, Public Works Director Johnson ended his report and noted the Resolution for Stormwater User Fees would be presented for Council's consideration at the April 25, 2022 meeting.

V. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

A. CITY COUNCILOR COMMENTS:

None.

B. CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS LIAISON UPDATES

None.

C. MAYOR COMMENTS

None.

D. ADVISORY BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

None.

E. AGENDA TOPICS

None.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items to come before the Council, Councilors Schroeder and Forsmann moved and seconded, respectively to adjourn the April 18, 2022 Special meeting at approximately 6:51 p.m. The motion carried 6-0.