

CITY OF POCA TELLO, IDAHO
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 4, 2019

AGENDA ITEM NO. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	1:	The Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Mayor Brian Blad. Council members present were Heidi Adamson, Roger Bray, Rick Cheatum, Jim Johnston, Linda Leeuwrik and Beena Mannan.
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Mayor Blad led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. INVOCATION	2:	The invocation was offered by Jacob Felts, Pocatello resident.
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AGENDA ITEM NO. CONSENT AGENDA	3:	Council was asked to consider the following business items:
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-MINUTES	(a)	Waive the oral reading of the minutes and approve the minutes from the Clarification and Regular Council meetings of February 7 and February 21, 2019; the Work Session and Budget Development meetings of March 14, 2019; the City Council Liaison/Work Session Clarification meeting and Special City Council meeting of March 21, 2019.
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-PAYROLL AND MATERIAL CLAIMS	(b)	Consider the payroll and material claims for the month of February 2019 in the amount of \$5,230,301.44.
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-HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION APPOINTMENT	(c)	Confirm the Mayor's appointment of William Strength to serve as a member of the Historic Preservation Commission, replacing Paul Sivitz who resigned. Mr. Strength's term will begin April 19, 2019 and will expire August 22, 2020.
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-PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REAPPOINTMENT	(d)	Confirm the Mayor's reappointment of Dorothy Ricks to continue her service as a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Ms. Ricks' term will begin April 17, 2019 and will expire April 17, 2023.
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-MOU AMENDMENTS -COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FOR POCA TELLO FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 187	(e)	Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Pocatello Firefighters Local Union No. 187 modifying Article 32 to allow continuation of the last elected Social Security replacement preference unless changed during open enrollment or for a life-changing event.
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-COUNCIL DECISION -THE CROSSINGS DIVISION 2 FINAL PLAT	(f)	Adopt the Council's decision approving the final plat for The Crossings Division 2, which subdivides approximately 36.44 acres of land into fifteen (15) lots including three (3) non-buildable lots, subject to conditions. The property is located east of Interstate 15 and north of East Chubbuck Road.
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-COUNCIL DECISION (g) Adopt the Council's decision approving a short plat for Sutherland
-SUTHERLAND Subdivision, which subdivides approximately .293 acres of land into
SUBDIVISION three (3) separate lots, subject to conditions. The property is located
SHORT PLAT at South 5th Avenue and East Sutter Street.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. Cheatum, to approve the items on the consent agenda. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Johnston, Cheatum, Adamson, Bray, Leeuwrik and Mannan.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Councilmember Cheatum, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed
COMMUNICATIONS April 2019 to be Fair Housing Month in Pocatello and urged AND
PROCLAMATIONS citizens and businesses to increase their awareness of the Fair
Housing Act, as amended, so that all citizens will receive equal
opportunities for housing in the community.

Stephanie Heaton, representing the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Committee, thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation.

Councilmember Johnston, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed April 2019 to be Occupational Therapy Month in Pocatello and encouraged citizens to recognize the achievements and contributions of these valued health professionals.

Sarah Neiwirt, representing Idaho Occupational Therapy Association, thanked the Mayor and Council for recognizing Occupational Therapy Month.

Councilmember Bray, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed April 8-12, 2019 to be Week of the Young Child in Pocatello and encouraged citizens to work to support and invest in early childhood in Pocatello.

Corey Lewis, representing the Child Care Advisory Committee, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council for recognizing the importance of early childhood development.

Councilmember Leeuwrik, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed April 2019 to be Civitan Awareness Month in Pocatello and encouraged residents to actively support and take pride in the worthwhile efforts of the international service organization and in the work of Civitans in our community.

April Hansen, representing local Civitan clubs, accepted the proclamation and reminded community members to attend Revive at 5 events, sponsored by Civitan, beginning May 1st at Old Town Pavilion.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Mayor Blad reminded the Council of the April 11th Work
CALENDAR REVIEW Session at 9:00 a.m.; and the following meetings to be held April
18th: Council Liaison/Work Session Clarification Meeting at 2:00
p.m.; Clarification Meeting at 5:30 p.m. and Regular City Council meeting at 6:00 p.m.; and a Budget
Development meeting at 9:00 a.m. on April 25th.

Mayor Blad announced the Portneuf Valley Environmental Fair would be held April 20th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Caldwell Park. Citizens using any PRT fixed route or special service during Environmental Fair hours will ride for free to and from Caldwell Park; Medication Take-back Day, as part of the Environmental Fair, will take place April 20th. Law Enforcement agencies will take back and safely dispose of unwanted medications to keep them out of the water supply; the annual Spring Clean Up at City Cemeteries began April 1st. Crews will remove and discard *all* flowers and decorations.

Citizens are asked to remove decorations, etc. they have placed on a cemetery space if they wish to avoid disposal of the item by staff. Clean up is expected to continue through the end of April; Compost Happens yard-waste-only composting program began April 1st and continues through the last week of November. Yard waste carts will be picked up on the same day as the regular collection day. For more information, contact the Sanitation Department; ZooIdaho opening day for 2019 season is April 6th. The Zoo will be open on weekends only through the month of April; entries are wanted for 2019 Portneuf Valley Environmental Fair Contests – contact envirofair.org/contests for more information; and comments regarding the proposed Ross Park Master Plan will be accepted until May 15th. Individuals may submit a comment to rossparkplan@pocatello.us.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: This time was set aside for the Council to hear comments from the PUBLIC HEARING public regarding a proposed Historic Preservation Plan.
-HISTORIC
PRESERVATION PLAN

Mayor Blad opened the public hearing.

Terri Neu, Associate Planner/Historic Preservation Staff Liaison, gave an overview of the proposed plan and public outreach measures completed.

Mayor Blad announced no written correspondence had been received.

There being no public comments, Mayor Blad closed the public hearing and announced a resolution would be considered at a later date.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: This time was set aside for the Council to hear comments from the PUBLIC HEARING public regarding modifications to the Wireless Communication Facilities, Municipal Code 15.42. The changes will bring the -WIRELESS Municipal Code into alignment with current Federal COMMUNICATION COMMUNICATIONS' STANDARDS FACILITIES

Mayor Blad opened the public hearing.

Matthew Lewis, Senior Planner, gave an overview of the proposed ordinance changes to align current code with Federal Communications' standards regarding small cell locations. In response to a question from Council, Mr. Lewis stated the Planning and Development Services Department has recently received two applications for placement of small cells. He added that these cells are fairly innocuous and are allowed on power poles in all areas of the city to boost cellular service in busy areas.

Mayor Blad announced no written correspondence had been received.

Monte Rasmussen, Pocatello resident, stated he is a member of the Alameda Neighborhood Association and spoke in opposition to the proposed changes. He feels cell towers are not appropriate in parks and other public spaces meant for sports and recreation.

In response to a question from Council, Mr. Lewis clarified that the small cells are permitted in any area of town and also on utility poles. The cells can be installed on traffic poles after being reviewed by the City Street department. Mr. Lewis added that there is no noise pollution associated with these types of installations.

There being no further public comments, Mayor Blad closed the public hearing and announced that an ordinance would be considered at a later date.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Council was asked to consider requests from Julie Hayden (mailing address: PO Box 8489, Pocatello, ID 83209) for the following:
ADMISSION FEE
REDUCTION REQUESTS
-IDAHO
INTERNATIONAL
CHORAL FESTIVAL 2019

That the City continue its tradition of reduced admission fees at the Ross Park Aquatic Complex (\$2.50 admission cost), Zoo Idaho (\$2.50 admission cost), and Fort Hall Replica (\$2.50 admission) cost for IICF choir members visiting Pocatello during the event. Staff estimates a reduction of \$822.50 in admission fees based upon past attendance by choir members.

In response to questions from Council, Julie Hayden and Arlo Luke, representing the Idaho International Choral Festival (ICCF) stated that the festival has been participating in Pocatello for 20 years. Mr. Luke added that the Pocatello festival is one of only two cities to host the annual festival in the United States. Ms. Hayden added that the international exchange hosts participants will come from five continents. She thanked the community for volunteering their homes and time in order to make the event successful each year.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnston, seconded by Ms. Mannan, to approve a request from Julie Hayden, representing Idaho International Choral Festival (IICF), and approve reduced admission fees at the Ross Park Aquatic Complex (\$2.50 admission cost), Zoo Idaho (\$2.50 admission cost), and Fort Hall Replica (\$2.50 admission cost) for IICF choir members visiting Pocatello during the event.

Mr. Cheatum added that the Fort Hall Replica is no longer a City of Pocatello facility and is managed by Bannock County.

Mr. Johnston's motion was voted upon at this time. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Johnston, Mannan, Adamson, Bray, Cheatum and Leeuwrik.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Council was asked to authorize the execution of a Collection Agreement between the City of Pocatello and the United States Forest Service, subject to Legal Department review, for improvements to the Cusick Creek Trail on City and Forest Service managed land.
U.S. FOREST SERVICE
COLLECTION
AGREEMENT
-CUSICK CREEK
TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS

Funds for execution of this agreement (\$10,000.00) will come from an Idaho Parks and Recreation grant the Science and Environment Division secured in 2018.

A motion was made by Ms. Leeuwrik, seconded by Mr. Bray, to authorize the execution of a Collection Agreement between the City of Pocatello and the United States Forest Service, subject to Legal Department review, for improvements to the Cusick Creek Trail on City and Forest Service managed land. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Leeuwrik, Bray, Adamson, Cheatum, Johnston and Mannan.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Council was asked to authorize the execution of a professional services agreement between Harmony Design and Engineering and the City of Pocatello for the Centennial Park Project, subject to Legal Department review.

LOCAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HARMONY DESIGN AND ENGINEERING -CENTENNIAL PARK DESIGN PROJECT

Under the agreement, Harmony will perform services related to the concept development phase of design. They will begin with the concept generated by Utah State University Landscape Architecture students (spring of 2018) and complete 30% of the design work for the contract amount of \$115,000.00. These funds are coming from Science and Environment Department reserves and funds raised by Valley Pride.

A motion was made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Ms. Leeuwrik, to authorize the execution of a professional services agreement between Harmony Design and Engineering and the City of Pocatello for the Centennial Park Project, subject to Legal Department review for services related to the concept development phase of design and complete 30% of the design work for the contract amount of \$115,000.00.

In response to a question by Council, Maggie Clark, Public Works Project Manager, stated that funding in the amount of \$26,000.00 would be provided by Valley Pride. She stated the private partnerships are very important to the project.

Mr. Bray's motion was voted upon at this time. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Bray, Leeuwrik, Adamson, Cheatum, Johnston and Mannan.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Idaho Lorax, Pocatello resident, addressed the Council. In accordance to City of Pocatello guidelines for speakers' policy, Mr. Lorax's comments were deemed to be slanderous and defamatory.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mayor Blad ordered Mr. Lorax to end personal attacks on Council members.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: There being no further business, Mayor Blad adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

ADJOURN

APPROVED BY:

BRIAN C. BLAD, MAYOR

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ATTEST:

RUTH E. WHITWORTH, CITY CLERK, C.C.

PREPARED BY:

KONNI R. KENDELL, DEPUTY CLERK