

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 23, 2016

A. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Trulove called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call – Excused Absences Councilmembers present included Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Nixon, Councilmember Grover, Councilmember Weizmann, Councilmember Gaard, and Councilmember Taves. Staff members present included Mr. Schuller, Ms. Niemeier, Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Hensley, Mr. Ableman, Mr. Boorman, Ms. Cooper, Mr. Bollar, and Mr. J. Anderson. Councilmember Taves moved to excuse Councilmember Hilton. Councilmember Nixon seconded. Carried unanimously.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of August 9, 2016 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 135734 through 135822 in the amount of \$874,045.43 were approved as read.

E. Claims for Damages None

F. Small Contracts The small contracts were previously approved.

G. Information Items Steve Blaska, Director of Operations at STA, provided information on STA's Moving Forward plan and the proposition that will be on the November ballot. Mayor Trulove stated that some of the strongest support for the last proposition was from the West Plains.

H. Appointments None

I. Citizen Comments None

J. Action Items

1. 16-084 – Resolution E-429 – Public Defender Conflict List Ms. Cooper stated that Judge Tripp would like to appoint Zachary Ayers as a conflict public defender. Councilmember Weizmann moved for approval of Resolution E-429. Councilmember Grover seconded. Carried unanimously.

2. 16-085 – Resolution E-430 – Office of Public Defense Grant Application Ms. Cooper stated that she applies for this grant annually. Last year we received \$16,800. She will also apply on behalf of the City of Medical Lake. Councilmember Overhauser moved for approval of Resolution E-430. Councilmember Nixon seconded. Carried unanimously.

3. 16-086 – Resolution E-431 – Website Development and Hosting Contract Ms. Niemeier stated that we had 20 proposals submitted in response to our RFP for website development and hosting. Everyone on the committee that reviewed the proposals chose CivicPlus. This contract is for redevelopment of our website, a consultant to work with us, and hosting of the website. We will own the website and control access to it. Mr. Schwartz wants to have one additional conversation with their legal counsel before we sign the contract. Councilmember Weizmann moved for approval of Resolution E-431 subject to approval of the city attorney. Councilmember Gaard seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. 16-087 – Resolution E-432 – Cheney/BPA Energy Conservation Plan Mr. Boorman stated that we have committed all of our conservation funding. He recommended funding small residential projects using our performance payments. Councilmember Taves moved for passage of Resolution E-432. Councilmember Grover seconded. Carried unanimously.

K. Staff Reports Mr. Bollar provided an update on the fires in the area.

L. Mayor's Report Mayor Trulove asked the Council for input on the 2017 budget. Councilmember Weizmann stated that she would like to have iPads for electronic agenda packets. Councilmember Overhauser stated that she would like to provide money to Project Access again if we are at a point where we can afford to do that. Councilmember Grover stated that he would like to have staffing changes made to lessen the burden on people that wear multiple hats. Mayor Trulove stated that he will present information on quiet zones and costs.

He asked Council to let him know as they think of other things. He stated that we need a vision of where we want to be in five years to help us get there. Councilmember Taves stated that he would like to explore our water situation and what investments we might make to make better use of our water resources.

M. Council Reports Councilmember Nixon stated that the Cheney Merchants' Association had an economic development committee meeting. Councilmember Gaard attended the West Plains Chamber meeting. He thanked Councilmember Nixon for being a sponsor. Councilmember Taves attended the debates for Secretary of State and Governor.

N. Executive Session None

O. Adjournment Councilmember Grover moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Weiszmann seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor