

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Due to the President's Day holiday, a meeting of the Finance Committee was instead held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, in Committee Room 104 and via electronic meeting, starting at 12:00 p.m. Those in attendance were as follows:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Dr. Michelle Aldrich, Chairwoman, Richard Johnson, and Jeff White. Absent: Bryan Cook

AGENDA ITEMS

13. ORDINANCE –3rd READING – Amending Ordinance No. 4431, which established a new compensation schedule for members of the City Council of the City of Cheyenne, to clarify the manner in which compensation is to be computed and providing for an effective date.

Mr. White moved to approve on 3rd and final reading, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. White provided a brief overview of the previously presented staff report.

14. ORDINANCE –2nd READING – Amending certain sections of Chapter 44, Solid Waste, and Chapter 56, Noise Control, of Title 8, Health and Safety, and further amending certain sections of Chapter 8, Offenses Against Public Peace and Decency, and Chapter 12, Offenses Against Property, of Title 9, Public Peace and Welfare, of the Municipal Code of the City of Cheyenne, Wyoming, to eliminate the potential imposition of a jail sentence for violation of specified code provisions. (SPONSOR – MR. ESQUIBEL)

Mr. White moved to approve on 2nd reading. Motion died due to the lack of a second.

Mayor Patrick Collins provided an overview of the proposed ordinance change. Andrew Sickenberger, City Public Defender, provided additional information related to the proposed changes.

15. ORDINANCE –2nd READING – Creating Section 2.40.100, Public Defender and Representation of Needy Persons; Determination of Need, of Chapter 2.40, Municipal Court, of Title 2, Administration and Personnel, of the Municipal Code of the City of Cheyenne, Wyoming, Specifying Public Defender Appointment Procedures and Standards for Representation in the Municipal Court. (SPONSOR – MR. ESQUIBEL)

Mr. White moved to approve on 2nd reading. Motion died due to the lack of a second.

John Brodie, Deputy City Attorney, provided a staff report. Chairwoman Aldrich and committee member White commented on the item.

18. RESOLUTION – Approving a sponsorship by Bison Beverage for the Cheyenne Frontier Days Rodeo Events occurring July 19 through July 28, 2024 and July 18 through July 27, 2025. (SPONSOR – DR. ALDRICH)

Mr. White moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Kylie Soden, Deputy City Clerk, provided a staff report and Kris Jones, City Clerk, provided additional information. Chairwoman Aldrich and committee member White commented on the item.

19. RESOLUTION – Requesting that the Wyoming State Legislature consider legislation authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages with an alcohol by volume of 5% at grocery stores and convenience stores throughout the state. (SPONSOR – MR. JOHNSON)

Mr. Johnson moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. White. Motion failed with Mr. White voting “NO” and Mr. Johnson voting “YES” and Chairwoman Aldrich voting “NO”, breaking the tie.

Mr. Johnson, sponsor of the item, provided an overview and explanation for the proposed resolution. Chairwoman Aldrich commented on the item.

20. RESOLUTION – Regarding the proposed Cowboy Solar Project, authorizing the Mayor to pursue and secure possible impact assistance funds on behalf of the City as provided by Wyoming law. (SPONSOR – MR. SEGRAVE)

Mr. White moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Stefanie Boster, City Attorney, provided a staff report. Chairwoman Aldrich and committee members Johnson and White commented on the item.

21. RESOLUTION – Authorizing the City of Cheyenne to approve and submit the Wyoming Division of Victim Services Funding Application State Fiscal Year 2025 and 2026. (SPONSOR – DR. ALDRICH)

Mr. White moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Julie Anthony, Cheyenne Police Department Victim Assistance Coordinator, provided a staff report. Committee member White commented on the item.

23. CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS:

- d) Contract Modification #3 to Contract #6798 between the City of Cheyenne and Trihydro Corporation to extend the term for one (1) additional year for additional Happy Jack Landfill environmental monitoring services. (Solid Waste Fund)

Mr. White moved to approve in an amount not to exceed \$94,242.00, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Sam Quattrini, Landfill Manager, provided a staff report.

24. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS/PURCHASES/REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS:

- b) Consideration of Bid #S-7-24 for an agreement between the City of Cheyenne and JTL Group Inc d/b/a Knife River, for the Airport Parkway Project. (2019-2022 Optional 1% Sales Tax Fund)

Mr. White moved to accept the bid in an amount not to exceed \$3,601,036.35, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Tom Cobb, City Engineer, provided a staff report and committee members Johnson and White commented on the item.

OTHER ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA:

- a) RESOLUTION – Approving the Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Planning Grant in the Amount of One Million Dollars to Pursue Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plans and Initiatives Such as a Community Solar Project. (SPONSOR – DR. ALDRICH)

Mr. White moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Ward II Councilman Tom Segrave introduced and spoke in support of the proposed resolution. Renee Smith, Grants Manager, provided a staff report. Chairwoman Aldrich and committee member Johnson commented on the item.

There being no further items for the agenda to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Submitted by,



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