PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

A meeting of the Public Services Committee was held on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, in Committee Room 104 and via electronic meeting, starting at 12:00 p.m. Those in attendance were as follows:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Bryan Cook, Chairman, Pete Laybourn, Dr. Rinne (via Zoom) and Tom Segrave.

AGENDA ITEMS

7. ORDINANCE -3rd READING - Amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Cheyenne changing the zoning classification from HI Heavy Industrial, AG Agricultural and County A-2 to LI Light Industrial for land located west of Burlington Trail and south of and adjacent to HR Ranch Road.

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

Connor White, Planning & Development Department, provided a staff report and Brad Emmons, AVI P.C., was available for questions.

9. ORDINANCE -2nd READING - Creating Section 2.08.060, City Employees and Immediate Family Members; Conflict of Interest Policy, of Chapter 2.08, City Officers and Employees Generally, of Title 2, Administration and Personnel, of the Municipal Code of the City of Cheyenne, Wyoming, requiring the promulgation of a Conflict of Interest Policy for employees of the City of Cheyenne as specified and making a conforming amendment to Section 2.52.010, Regulations and Benefits. (SPONSORS – MR. COOK, MR. JOHNSON, DR. RINNE AND MR. ROYBAL)

Mr. Segrave moved to approve on 2nd reading, seconded by Mr. Laybourn. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Stefanie Boster, City Attorney, provided a staff report and public comment was made by Seth Lloyd.

10. ORDINANCE -2nd READING - Creating a new Section 15.50.070, Neglected Structure, of Chapter 15.50, Historic Design Guideline, of Title 15, Buildings and Construction, of the Municipal Code of the City of Cheyenne, Wyoming. (SPONSOR - MR. JOHNSON)

Dr. Rinne moved to approve on 2nd reading, seconded by Mr. Laybourn. Dr. Rinne moved to postpone until the August 28, 2023, meeting of the governing body. Motion to postpone died due to the lack of a second. Main motion failed with Mr. Laybourn and Mr. Segrave voting "NO" and Dr. Rinne voting "YES".

Charles Bloom, Planning & Development Department Director, provided a staff report and noted that a representative from the Historic Preservation Board was to be in attendance to answer questions related to the contents of the proposed ordinance. Chairman Cook and committee members Laybourn, Rinne and Segrave commented on the item. Public comment was made by Councilmember Richard Johnson, Ward III, and Michael White.

16. RESOLUTION – Expressing the support of the Governing Body to request the State of Wyoming to reconsider the decriminalization of cannabis and reform to the Wyoming Controlled Substance Act. (SPONSOR – MR. JOHNSON)

Dr. Rinne moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Segrave. Motion failed by unanimous voice vote.

Councilmember Richard Johnson, Ward III, and sponsor of the item provided an overview of the proposed resolution. Committee members Laybourn and Segrave commented on the item and public comment was made by Daniel Singh, Wyoming State Representative House District 61.

Following the vote on item #16, Dr. Rinne's internet connection was unstable causing him to drop in and out of the meeting for the remainder of the meeting.

17. RESOLUTION – Declaring that the City of Cheyenne has agreed that covenants restricting application of Waterwise Landscaping or requiring installation of Water-Intense Landscaping mandate irresponsible use of water resources and requesting the State Legislative Committees and State Legislature review, consider, and adopt modifications to State Statutes to nullify covenants that restrict Waterwise Landscaping or require installation of Water-Intense Landscaping. (SPONSOR – MR. JOHNSON)

Mr. Segrave moved to adopt, seconded by Dr. Rinne. Motion failed with Chairman Cook and Mr. Segrave voting "NO" and Mr. Laybourn voting "YES". (NOTE: A vote from Dr. Rinne was not recorded due to poor connectivity.)

Charles Bloom, Planning & Development Department Director, provided a staff report. Committee members Laybourn and Segrave commented on the item and public comment was made by Sarah Bargsten, Board of Public Utilities Water Conservation Specialist, Robin Sims and Michael White.

18. RESOLUTION – Directing City staff to research and provide a report regarding the property currently utilized as a detention pond at Highland Village Subdivision. (SPONSORS – MR. LAYBOURN AND MR. WHITE)

Mr. Laybourn moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Segrave. Mr. Segrave moved to amend by substitute dated August 1, 2023, seconded by Mr. Laybourn. Motion to amend carried by unanimous voice vote. Main motion, as amended, carried by unanimous voice vote.

Committee member Pete Laybourn, and sponsor of the item provided information related to the proposed resolution. Charles Bloom, Planning & Development Department Director; Tom Cobb,

City Engineer; and Jason Sanchez, Community Recreation & Events Director, provided additional information. Committee members Laybourn, Rinne, and Segrave commented on the item.

19. LEASES/CONTRACTS/LEGAL:

h) Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Cheyenne and Cheyenne Rotary Club Foundation regarding donation of Rotary Park to the City of Cheyenne.

Mr. Segrave moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Laybourn. Mr. Segrave moved to amend by substitute dated August 7, 2023, seconded by Mr. Laybourn. Motion to amend carried by unanimous voice vote. Main motion, as amended, carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Patrick Collins provided information related to the history of the proposed memorandum of understanding. Tom Cobb, City Engineer, and Jason Sanchez, Community Recreation & Events Director, provided additional information related to the City's acquisition of the property. Robin Sims, Cheyenne Rotary Foundation Board Treasurer, and Scott Meier provided additional information related to the Cheyenne Rotary Club Foundation's expectations for the property. Stefanie Boster, City Attorney, provided an overview of the proposed substitute. Chairman Cook and committee members Laybourn, Segrave, and Rinne commented on the item. Dr. Rinne and Mr. Laybourn thanked the Cheyenne Rotary Club Foundation for their donation.

There being no further items for the agenda to come before the Public Services Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

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