

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, in Council Chambers and via electronic meeting, starting at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were as follows:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: President Richard Johnson, Chairman; Dr. Michelle Aldrich, Ken Esquibel, Richard Johnson, Pete Laybourn, Dr. Mark Rinne, Scott Roybal, Tom Segrave and Jeff White. Absent: Bryan Cook.

AGENDA ITEMS

12. ORDINANCE –2nd READING – Ordinance appropriating moneys for the City of Cheyenne, Wyoming for the various purposes in conducting the municipal government of said City and fixing the amount of general and special taxes as part of the revenue required to meet the said appropriation, all for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. (SPONSOR – MR. JOHNSON)

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

Mr. White moved to amend to decrease the Capital Improvement Expenses line item in the Mayor's Department General Fund expenditure by \$105,000.00 and increase the Capital Improvement Expenses line item in the Miscellaneous Department's General Fund expenditure budget by the same amount and to increase the Special Distribution from the State line item in the Intergovernmental General Fund revenue category by \$23,000.00 and the Capital Improvement Expenses line item in the Miscellaneous Department's General Fund expenditure budget by the same amount, seconded by Mr. Esquibel. Motion to amend carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Laybourn moved to amend to increase the Special Distribution from the State line item in the Intergovernmental General Fund revenue category by \$50,000.00 and increase the Nuisance Abatement line item in the Compliance Department's General Fund expenditure budget in the same amount, seconded by Mr. Segrave. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Laybourn moved to amend to increase the Special Distribution from the State line item in the Intergovernmental General Fund revenue category by \$127,280.00 and increase Parks Projects line item in the Miscellaneous Department's General Fund expenditure budget in the same amount, seconded by Mr. Segrave. Motion carried with Dr. Rinne voting "NO".

Mr. Esquibel moved to amend to decrease the Miscellaneous Department "Transfer to Reserves" line item by \$60,000.00 and increase the City Council Department as follows: \$20,000.00 in the Ward 1 Contingency line item, \$20,000.00 in the Ward 2 Contingency line item, and \$20,000.00 in the Ward 3 Contingency line item, seconded by Dr. Aldrich. Dr. Aldrich move to amend the amendment to increase the "Transfer to Reserves" line item by \$124,445.00 for a total of \$184,445.00 and increase the City Council Department as follows: \$41,485.00 in Ward 1

Contingency line item, \$41,485.00 in the Ward 2 Contingency line item, and \$41,485.00 in the Ward 3 Contingency line item for a total in each Ward Contingency Fund of \$61,485.00, seconded by Mr. Laybourn. Motion to amend the amendment carried with Dr. Rinne, Mr. Roybal and Mr. Segrave voting "NO". Main amendment, as amended, carried with Dr. Rinne, Mr. Roybal and Mr. Segrave voting "NO".

Mayor Patrick Collins provided a brief overview of the proposed fiscal year 2024 budget and thanked the City Treasurer and staff as well as all City directors for their efforts. Mr. White provided a brief description of the amendment to provide funds for vehicle exhaust systems at fire stations #2 and #6 and Chief John Kopper, Fire & Rescue, provided additional information related to those systems. Robin Lockman, City Treasurer, provided clarification of fund transfer and committee members Aldrich, Esquibel, Laybourn and Rinne commented on the amendment. Mr. Laybourn provided information related to the amendment to provide additional nuisance funding and committee members Rinne and Roybal commented on the amendment. Mr. Laybourn requested Jason Sanchez, Community Recreation & Events, provide information related to the amendment to fund maintenance on various City Park parking lots. Vicki Nemecek, Public Works Director, provided information related to 5th Penny funds and the exclusion of parking lots to the Pavement Management System. Committee members Aldrich, Esquibel and Roybal commented on the amendment. Mr. Esquibel provided information on the amendment to provide each City Ward contingency funds for small projects. Committee members Aldrich, Laybourn, Rinne, Roybal, Segrave and White commented on the amendment. Upon inquiry, Mayor Collins advised he is currently in the process of gathering information for the purpose of determining the appropriate oversight for the Human Resources Department.

There being no further items for the agenda to come before the Committee of the Whole, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Submitted by,



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