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RE: November 16, 2022, City Administrator Council Report

Item 1) *Fire Department Updates*- The Fire Department has made progress with cleaning up the building, working on training, getting our reporting up to date, and other compliance issues.

We are still at 4 fully onboarded members with 3 of them EMT certified. We have a couple of other volunteers that have been helping with cleanup of the building, as well as inventorying equipment and PPE. The members continue to respond to calls when available.

The focus going forward will continue to be recruiting, training, and continued evaluations of equipment, policies, and L&I safety compliance of the building. I want to give a shoutout to the Aberdeen and Hoquiam Fire Departments for their assistance and cooperation in helping Nick and Mark with any information they may need.

Item 2) *I Street Right of Way Vacations*- Under new business on the agenda will be a discussion of the potential vacating of 20 feet of right of way on I Street between First Street and the Southside Levy. This would be a vacation of 10 feet on both sides of I Street, reducing the overall right of way from 80 feet to 60 feet. There will be no request for action at this meeting, this will be to start the discussion of need and if council is in favor of moving forward, this will be brought back at the December 7th meeting.

When most of the streets between First and Sixth Street, and A through J Streets were platted, they were set at 80 foot right of ways. A standard street right of way is 60 feet. Over the last 30 plus years, (*as shown on attachment*) several of our streets have been reduced from 80 feet to 60 feet right of way.

We have a request to vacate 10 feet of right of way from the landowner who wants to build on the parcel between I and H Streets and between First Street and the Southside Levy (*see attached aerial photo*). They want to make the entrance to the business come

off I Street rather than First Street, which will be much safer. In exchange for the vacation of right of way, the City of Cosmopolis will be receiving a Utility Easement.

Item 3) *Mill Creek Multi-Objective Plan*- Tomorrow, November 15th, I will be touring Mill Creek with our consultant HDR Engineering. We will be reviewing culverts, stream condition, stream width and habitat to look at what options we may be able to come up with for flood hazard mitigation, and potential habitat improvements.

I will give an update on our findings at the December 7th meeting.

Sincerely,

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