

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Ave
Fallon, Nevada
October 16, 2024**

The Honorable City Council met in a special meeting on the above date in the Council Chambers, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada.

Present:

Mayor Ken Tedford
Councilwoman Karla Kent
Councilman Paul Harmon
Chief of Staff Bob Erickson
City Attorney Mike Mackedon
Captain John Riley
City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill
Deputy Public Works Adrian Noriega
Deputy Public Works Glen Radtke
Deputy Public Works Marco Guerrero
City Engineer Derek Zimney
Director of Tourism Jane Moon

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tedford at 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Tedford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the agenda had been posted in compliance with NRS requirements.

City Clerk Treasurer Michael O'Neill advised that the agenda was posted in compliance with the NRS requirements.

Councilwoman Frost was out-of-town and unable to attend the meeting.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments. He noted that comments are to be general in nature, not relative to any agenda items. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.

No comments were made.

Approval of Warrants

- A) Accounts Payable
- B) Payroll
- C) Customer Deposit

Councilman Harmon motioned to approve the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants; seconded by Councilwoman Kent and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Public hearing for discussion of possible projects to be funded through the Community Development Block Grant Program, for fiscal year 2025-2026.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated the CDBG Program is administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and is authorized by Title I of Housing and Community Development Act. The primary objective of the Community Development Block Grant Program is the development of viable communities principally for persons of low and moderate income. The Governor's Office of Economic Development anticipates the amount of 2025 allocations at \$3,000,000 for rural Nevada. The projects discussed during this public hearing could be eligible for evaluation and ranking by the City Council during the third and final CDBG hearing. A Public Hearing Notice, which was posted on October 2, 2024, included the Laura Mills Park Improvement Project.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any comments or questions from the Council or public.

Councilwoman Kent inquired if this project is predicated on receiving the CDBG grant.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that having this grant would make it more fiscally possible for the City. I think the intent, someday, is that we will get Laura Mills done. This will expedite our ability to do so.

Councilwoman Kent inquired if it would be completed in phases.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that he believes by receiving this grant, we would be able to get the walking path immediately. We can start working on plans for sprinklers, new park equipment, the parking lot, and other items. This would certainly get us the walking path and get us started in the right direction.

Councilwoman Kent inquired if the sprinkler system would be included in the walking path project.

Mayor Tedford stated that the sprinkler system is not included in this project. This would be just for the walking path.

Councilwoman Kent stated that she understood.

Mayor Tedford stated that this will stub-out underneath the walking path. That is what the irrigation sleaving system is. They will stub-out underneath the walking path. So, when we go to do an irrigation system, they won't have to cut into this walking path, on the inner circle.

Councilman Harmon inquired on the finances, for past projects. 3 million dollars for rural Nevada sounds like a lot, but when you talk about rural Nevada, it is not a lot. So, \$630,000.00 for this grant is about 1/5th of the total amount available. Is that realistic, in your opinion?

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that historically, for similar size projects, what I call, "the pot" – Front Street, we got over \$700,000.00, Broadway/Sherman, we got over \$800,000.00. We have a good track record with CDBG, for finishing our projects, and closing them out. So, it is not unheard of, but it is going to be a large ask, no doubt.

Councilman Harmon inquired if we were looking at the fiscal year 2025-2026.

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that was correct.

Councilman Harmon inquired about putting together the cost estimates with inflation of materials, and other things. Did you put up a decent size buffer in there, for that?

City Engineer Derek Zimney stated that the City evaluated that, and there is always a chance that they may come back, and say, hey, we aren't going to give you the full amount you are asking for. They might offer us less. We asked for an amount at the upper end of what we think those paths will cost. The Kaiser Street project we had asked for a larger amount, and they offered us over half of what we asked. None of it is guaranteed but we do think this is a good project. We have worked hard to sell it to them, so that this improves our community. We are hopeful.

Councilman Harmon inquired if we did get the full amount we are asking. Will the City look at completing the other things that we are looking to improve at Laura Mills Park?

Mayor Tedford stated that we will have to phase out the Laura Mills project. Much like what we had to do with Oats Park. Are there any further comments or questions from the Council or public?

No further comments were noted.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.

No comments were noted.

Council and Staff Reports

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any Council or staff reports.

No reports were noted.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 1:07 p.m.

Mayor Tedford

Attest: _____
Michael O'Neill, City Clerk-Treasurer