



Where Life is Sweet

Mayor and Members of the City Council
STAFF REPORT
For the Meeting of February 12, 2024

Title/Subject

Resolution No. 2308 – A Resolution To Authorize Bonds for Various City Projects

Summary and Background

As described in detail during the council work session on January 22, 2024, there are five current building projects that are in various stages of development. In addition to those there is a building project at the Eastern Oregon Trade and Event Center (EOTEC) and one infrastructure project in the North Hermiston Urban Renewal Area. All seven of these projects need some level of financing to complete them. Below I will briefly summarize each of these projects and then talk in more detail about the proposed method to pay for these projects.

Civic Projects (Hacker Architects/CB Construction)

- Harkenrider Center
 - Build out the basement of the Harkenrider Center
 - Current Estimate - ~\$600,000
- City Hall – IT Space
 - Finish the “growth” space in the basement of City Hall
 - Current Estimate - ~\$300,000
- Library Phase II – Multi-Cultural Resource Center
 - Reconfigure Upstairs; Finish Downstairs
 - Current Estimate - ~\$4.5 million

Public Safety Center

- Police/Court/Fire Remodel (Schlager Zimmerman Architects/McCormack Construction)
 - Renovate Police Side; Incorporate former Court space
 - Add Space for Fire
 - Current Estimate - ~\$11.5 million
- Arc Remodel
 - Secure the outside of building
 - Provide additional electrical/internet
 - Current Estimate - ~\$650,000

EOTEC Barns Project (Knerr Construction)

- State Funding for fairgrounds (\$1.3 million)
- Extend two of three barns (beef and swine)
- Current Estimate - ~\$1.6 million

North Hermiston Urban Renewal Area (NHURA)

- Plan dictates road and water construction project including ROW acquisition and 395 Signalization
- Current Estimate - \$5 million

Tie-In to Council Goals

2023 Goal 3 Sustainable; Focus Area City Facilities

3.1, 3.2, 3.3 are all related to these facilities

Fiscal Information

Total Borrowing is \$20,000,000. That is more than just adding up the current estimates. Will allow early repayment.

See Attached Spreadsheet.

Alternatives and Recommendation

Alternatives

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2308 without modification.
2. Adopt Resolution No. 2308 with specific modifications.
3. Direct staff to make major changes to Resolution No. 2308 and bring back at a later date.

Recommended Action/Motion

Adopt Resolution No. 2308 without modification.

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