



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

City Hall - 10769 W State Street, Star, Idaho

Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 7:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Chadwick opened the City Council Meeting at 7:00pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **INVOCATION** – Council Member Kevan Wheelock, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints offered the Invocation.

3. **ROLL CALL** – Elected Officials: Council President David Hershey, Council Members Kevan Wheelock, Jennifer Salmonsens, Kevin Nielsen and Mayor Trevor Chadwick were present. Staff: City Attorney Chris Yorgason; City Planning Director Shawn Nickel, Assistant City Planner Ryan Field, City Clerk/Treasurer Jacob Qualls, Public Information Officer Dana Partridge were also present.

4. **PRESENTATIONS:**

A. **Proclamation: National Small Business Week 2022** – Irene Gonzales with The Small Business Association.

Mayor Chadwick read the Proclamation.

B. **Idaho Power Rate Presentation** – Paris Dickerson

Ms. Dickerson presented information regarding Idaho Power's Price Cost Adjustment, the process of rate hikes and how cost is allocated among customers. The average monthly increase is expected to be about \$7.80 per residential customer.

Mayor Chadwick asked if Idaho Power serves Wyoming and Oregon. Dickerson replied that they are slightly into the Eastern part of Oregon, and they do a separate filing with Oregon PUD. Chadwick mentioned that Idaho Power is 20% lower than national average for residential and 30% lower for commercial and Dickerson confirmed that they have some of the lowest rates in the nation. Chadwick asked if the rates could go backward with a good water year and Dickerson answered that it could. It is trued up each year and projected into the PCA.

Council Member Wheelock asked about the cost per kilowatt hour and Dickerson replied that it is per customer type and she can get that information to him.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION ITEM)** **All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each member of the Star City Council for reading and study, they are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Consent Agenda or placed on the Regular Agenda by request.*

- Council Member Salmonsens moved to approve the Consent Agenda and moved E and G to Action Items. Final Plat American Star #4 would be 6H and Final Plat Torchlight Estates would be 6I. Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion and asked why we were moving them. Mayor Chadwick replied that there needed to be some discussion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.



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6. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Agenda Amendment: To reaffirm 357-2022

- Adding 6G, Council Member Hershey moved to amend the agenda. Council Member Salmonsens seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.

B. Star Water & Sewer District Joint Powers Agreement to share employee costs for City Engineer Ryan Morgan.

- Council Member Salmonsens moved to approve the agreement; Council Member Nielsen seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey -aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.

C. Ordinance 353-2022: Langtree Bungalows Annexation & Development Agreement

- Council Member Hershey moved to introduce and dispense with the rules to read once by title only; Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.
- Council President Hershey moved to approve Ordinance 353-2022 and read the title; Council Member Nielsen seconded the motion.

City Planning Director Shawn Nickel mentioned that they were postponing Ordinance 353-2022.

Council President Hershey withdrew his motion to approve.

D. Riverhouse Decorative Patio Installation Bid Approval

Council Member Hershey asked about the square footage and Council Member Salmonsens asked if it included the landing on the other set of stairs.

- Council President Hershey moved to approve the bid. Council Member Salmonsens seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.

E. Riverhouse Parking Lot Curb Bid Approval

- Council President Hershey moved to approve the bid; Council Member Salmonsens seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.

F. Star Fire District Workshop Discussion – Fire Chief Greg Timinsky 7:20 pm

Chief Timinsky was not in attendance at the meeting but was informed of some agreements regarding setbacks. It was confirmed that setbacks should equal 15 feet between houses. There are places for smaller setbacks, but they are specific to sections approved in specific cases and not in standard

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subdivisions. Council Member Nielsen suggested identifying the types of housing where smaller setbacks would be applicable to give developers more of an idea of what we intend as far as the look and feel. City Planning Director Shawn Nickel mentioned the intent for the code was they were seeing waivers on every subdivision application, whereas waivers should be a special consideration and each application would have to come to the Council for approval. There was a discussion regarding being specific in the code regarding the type of housing approvals we would consider waivers for.

Council Member Wheelock asked if we wanted to incorporate a wider road width and it was decided to keep to the standard width.

Chief Timinsky talked about Opticom. Police, Fire, Ambulances, Snowplows, Commuter Busses, all use Opticom, which changes a signal at a stop light to allow emergency vehicles to get through. Ada County Highway District stopped paying for them and put it on the fire district. It would cost the fire department about \$6000 per intersection but everyone else would get to use it. Timinsky asked if in the planned ordinance they are working on, it could be put on the developer who is already putting the stoplight in. Mayor Chadwick suggested that if they are required to put in a stop light, they would be required to put Opticom in at the time. There was discussion regarding payment for Opticom for future intersections. Council Member Nielsen asked about maintenance on the Opticom and Chief Timinsky replied that Ada County Highway District takes care of maintaining them once they are installed.

Council Member Wheelock asked about height restrictions and if the application was in compliance with what could be serviced. Timinsky replied that they are looking into getting a ladder truck. Once you have five buildings over 3 stories you are required to have a ladder truck. Mayor Chadwick asked if a truck could be purchased with impact fees. There was a discussion regarding impact fees, intergovernmental agreements and capital improvement plan approvals.

Chief Timinsky talked about the Fire Operations Course in Boise next year where the Fire Department can take one elected official on a run through with one of the fire fighters. This encompasses all aspects of the firefighting experience including climbing a ladder, putting out a fire, pulling a body out of a burning building, vehicle extrication, an ambulance ride, cutting a roof, etc. Council Member Salmonsens did this last year, and reported she had a great experience and expressed increased appreciation for the fire fighters. The Fire Department has talked about setting up a local less intense experience for the citizens.

G. Ordinance 357-2022 Reaffirmation

City Attorney Chris Yorgason said they did not have to go through the rules again since they did it earlier in the meeting.

- Council Member Nielsen moved to reaffirm Ordinance 357-2022 declaring the Official Newspaper of the City of Star as the Idaho Press Tribune; Council President Hershey seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.



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H. Final Plat American Star #4

Council Member Salmonsens added a condition to widen the sidewalk along Floating Feather to a minimum of 8 feet or approved by ACHD.

Council Member Nielsen asked if we had been asking for 7 ft sidewalks. Our Code is 8 but the recommendation is a minimum of 8 unless additional is required by ACHD.

- Council Member Salmonsens moved to approve the Final Plat for American Star #4 with a condition to widen the sidewalk along Floating Feather to a minimum of 8 feet or as approved by ACHD; Council President Hershey seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.

I. Final Plat Torchlight Estates

- Council Member Salmonsens moved to approve with a condition to widen the sidewalk along Beacon Light to a minimum of 8 feet or as approved by ACHD; Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. Mayor Chadwick added that there were some drainage issues that were impacting Ms. Barbara Moyle and a need to have a condition to address those issues. City Planning Director Shawn Nickel will follow through with the conditions and plats will not be signed until drainage issues with neighbors are resolved.
- Council Member Salmonsens amended her motion to include the condition stated by Shawn Nickel; Council Member Wheelock amended his second. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens – aye, Nielsen - aye. Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS with ACTION ITEMS:

A. PUBLIC HEARING: STARDALE PLACE SUBDIVISION

- Council President Hershey moved to table the Public Hearing for Stardale Place Subdivision to June 7; Council Member Wheelock seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hershey-aye, Wheelock-aye, Salmonsens-aye, Nielsen-aye. Motion carried.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Chadwick adjourned the meeting at 7:59 pm

Trevor A Chadwick, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jacob M Qualls, City Clerk / Treasurer