

**CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

JANUARY 16, 2024

Pre-meetings are held prior to Regular Council meetings for the purpose of discussing items on the consent agenda and assigning introductions of items on the regular agenda.

Pre meeting began at 6:15 pm.

Council present: Pat Gabriel, Brandon Newman, Erin O'Doherty (joined at 6:23 pm), Jayne Pearce, Micah Richardson, Joe Shumway, Sharon Cumbie, and Brian Harrington. Absent: Andi Summerville.

Council discussed moving item 9.G. from the consent to the regular agenda. There was discussion about moving 9.J., but was left on consent.

Council adjourned pre-meeting and recessed at 6:24 pm.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular Meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Harrington at 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Harrington led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Roll call showed present: Pat Gabriel, Brandon Newman, Erin O'Doherty, Jayne Pearce, Micah Richardson, Joe Shumway, Andi Summerville, Sharon Cumbie, and Brian Harrington. Absent: None.

Directors and City Clerk present: Janine Jordan, City Manager; Ryan Shoefelt, Deputy City Clerk; Bob Southard, City Attorney; Patti Russell, Human Resources; Brooks Webb, Public Works Director; Derek Teini, Community and Economic Development Director; Eric Jaap, City Engineer; and Philipp Gabathuler, Principal Planner.

4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (Aggregate time limit 30 minutes)

(Limit of 3 minutes per speaker.)

Received derogatory public comment from online participants.

MOTION BY RICHARDSON, seconded by Cumbie, to suspend the rules to close online public comment.

Roll call showed Aye: Gabriel, Newman, O'Doherty, Pearce, Richardson, Shumway, Summerville, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: None. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

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5. Consideration of Changes in Agenda and Setting the Agenda

A. MOTION BY CUMBIE, seconded by Richardson, that the following changes to the Agenda be approved: to move Item #9.G. to #13.A.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

B. MOTION BY Cumbie, seconded by Newman, that the Agenda be set as changed.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

6. PROCLAMATIONS/NOTIFICATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

6.A. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

6.A.i. PROCLAMATION: Arbor Day

6.B. PUBLIC HEARING

6.B.i. PUBLIC HEARING: Bittersweet Industrial Subdivision Preliminary Plat

6.C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

6.C.i. Monthly Staff Recognition

- o Mark Hazelett, Civil Engineer
- o Grace Martinez, Senior Utility Billing Clerk

7. Disclosures by City Council Members

None.

8. Approval of Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilor or citizen so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered on the Regular Agenda.

MOTION BY CUMBIE, seconded by Gabriel, that the Consent Agenda be approved and that each specific action on the Consent Agenda be approved as indicated.

Roll call showed Aye: Gabriel, Newman, O'Doherty, Pearce, Richardson, Shumway, Summerville, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: None. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

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9. CONSENT AGENDA

9.A. MINUTES: City Council Meeting Minutes from January 3, 2024

Action:

that Council approve the Minutes of the following City Council meetings: the Public Hearings and Regular Meeting of January 3, 2024, and have them placed on file for public inspection.

9.B. CEMETERY DEEDS: Cemetery Deeds for January 1-15, 2024

Action:

that the Cemetery Deeds for January 1-15, 2024, be accepted, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and have them recorded in the Office of the County Clerk.

9.C. LICENSE: Renewal of a Vehicle for Hire License for Tour De Venue

Action:

that Council approve the renewal of a Vehicle for Hire License to Tour De Venue (Owner: Bockai Akmadu Ahmadu), for the period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024.

9.D. AGREEMENT: License Agreement Between the City of Laramie, Wyoming, and WY Plaza, L.C. and SBMC Real Estate Holding Company, LLC for Access, Installation and Maintenance of Landscaping

Action:

to rescind the agreement approved on December 19, 2023, and replace and approve License Agreement dated January 16, 2024 between the City of Laramie, Wyoming, and WY Plaza, L.C. and SBMC Real Estate Holding Company, LLC for Access, Installation and Maintenance of Landscaping, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

9.E. LETTER OF SUPPORT: Support Letter from the City Council for the Laramie Growth Area Plan and it's Nomination for the American Planning Association's Vernon Deines Award for Comprehensive Plan or Special Project Plan Award

Action:

to approve a support letter from the City Council for the Laramie Growth Area Plan and it's Nomination for the American Planning Association's Vernon Deines Award for Comprehensive Plan or Special Project Plan Award and authorize the Mayor to sign.

9.F. ORDINANCE: Original Ordinance No. 2079, Adding Chapter 12.37 to the Municipal Code Providing for Regulation of Extraterritorial Access to City Streets

Action:

move to approve on third reading and final reading of Original Ordinance No. 2079, adding Chapter 12.37 to the Municipal Code providing for Regulation of Extraterritorial Access to City Streets, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

Recommend Amendment:

I move to amend Original Ordinance No. 2079 by removing the second "the" in section 12.37.030.I.

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9.G. Moved to item 13.A. PRELIMINARY PLAT: PP-23-02: Bittersweet Industrial Subdivision Preliminary Plat

9.H. RESOLUTION: Resolution 2024-06, Appointing One Member to the Traffic Safety Commission

Action:

move to approve Resolution No. 2024-06, appointing Jeffrey Verosky to the Traffic Safety Commission and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

9.I. RESOLUTION: Resolution 2024-07, Appointing One Member to the Laramie Police Advisory Board

Action:

move that Council approve Resolution 2024-07, appointing one board member Elizabeth Powers, to the Laramie Police Advisory Board for the remainder of a term expiring October 31, 2025, and authorize Mayor and Clerk to sign.

9.J. RESOLUTION: Resolution 2024-11, Appointing Members to the Wyoming Community Gas Joint Powers Board

Action:

move to approve Resolution 2024-11, appointing members to the Wyoming Community Gas Joint Powers Board, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

9.K. SCHEDULE MEETINGS:

that the following meeting be scheduled:

i. March 26, 2024, 5:30 pm - WORK SESSION: Community Partner Funding Presentations (Joint with Albany County Board of Commissioners)

10. REGULAR AGENDA

11. Award of a Professional Service Agreement for the City-Wide Aerial Update

MOTION BY CUMBIE, seconded by Richardson, to award the Professional Services Agreement for the City-Wide Aerial Update to GeoTerra, Inc. in the amount of one hundred seventy-seven thousand five hundred sixty-eight dollars (\$177,568.00) plus a contingency of thirty-five thousand five hundred fourteen dollars (\$35,514.00), and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign.

Public Comment: none.

Roll call showed Aye: Gabriel, Newman, O'Doherty, Pearce, Richardson, Shumway, Summerville, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: None. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

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12. Consideration of Resolution 2024-08, Supporting the Submission of an Application to the Wyoming Office of Outdoor Recreation for a Wyoming Outdoor Recreation Grant for the Final Design and Construction of the Spring Creek Trail Phase 2 project

MOTION BY GABRIEL, seconded by Richardson, to approve Resolution 2024-08, supporting the submission of an application to the Wyoming Office of Outdoor Recreation for a Wyoming Outdoor Recreation Grant for the final design and construction of the Spring Creek Trail Phase 2 project in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

Public Comment: none.

Roll call showed Aye: Gabriel, Newman, O'Doherty, Pearce, Richardson, Shumway, Summerville, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: None. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

13. Consideration of Resolution 2024-09, Supporting the Submission of an Application to the Wyoming Office of Outdoor Recreation for a Wyoming Outdoor Recreation Grant to Support the Renovation and Expansion of Pathways and Fitness Stations in LaBonte Park

MOTION BY RICHARDSON, seconded by Newman, to approve Resolution 2024-09, supporting the submission of an application to the Wyoming Office of Outdoor Recreation for a Wyoming Outdoor Recreation Grant to support the renovation and expansion of pathways and fitness stations in LaBonte Park in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

Public Comment: none.

Roll call showed Aye: Gabriel, Newman, O'Doherty, Pearce, Richardson, Shumway, Summerville, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: None. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

13.A. Moved from item 9.G. PRELIMINARY PLAT: PP-23-02: Bittersweet Industrial Subdivision Preliminary Plat

MOTION BY NEWMAN, seconded by Cumbie, to approve the Bittersweet Industrial Subdivision Preliminary Plat, based on findings of fact and conclusions of law.

Public Comment: none.

Roll call showed Aye: Gabriel, Newman, O'Doherty, Pearce, Richardson, Shumway, Summerville, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: None. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

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14. Original Ordinance No. 2080, Amending Title 2 of the Laramie Municipal Code to Establish the Rate of Pay for the Governing Body

Introduction and First Reading. (Introduced by Shumway)

MOTION BY SHUMWAY, seconded by Cumbie, to approve Original Ordinance No. 2080, amending Title 2 of the Laramie Municipal Code to establish the rate of pay for the governing body, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

Public Comment: none.

Roll call showed Aye: Gabriel, O'Doherty, Shumway, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: Newman, Pearce, Richardson, and Summerville. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

15. Consideration of Resolution 2024-10, Adopting Policy Goals and Objectives for the City of Laramie for 2024

MOTION BY CUMBIE, seconded by Gabriel, to approve Resolution 2024-10, adopting policy goals and objectives for the City of Laramie for 2024, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign.

MOTION BY CUMBIE, seconded by Gabriel, to amend Goal 4 Economic Development, Milestone B to read: "Evaluate concerns reported by residents alleging an increase in predatory practices for mobile homes and rental housing. Measure effectiveness of City's rental housing code."

Public comment on amendment: none.

Roll call on amendment showed Aye: Gabriel, Newman, O'Doherty, Pearce, Richardson, Shumway, Summerville, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: None. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

Public comment on main motion:

Laurie Hill- asked where to find a copy of the council goals.

Roll call on main motion showed Aye: Gabriel, Newman, O'Doherty, Pearce, Richardson, Shumway, Cumbie, and Harrington. Nay: Summerville. Absent: None. MOTION CARRIED.

16. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

None.

17. Consideration of future Council work session topics

Gabriel (Newman)- Discuss Zoom public comments.

Newman- prioritize upcoming work session topics.

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18. Adjournment

MOTION BY PEARCE, seconded by Richardson, to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

Council adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Approved:

Nancy Bartholomew
City Clerk

Date

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