

LEGAL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
Rapid City, South Dakota

September 28, 2022

A Legal and Finance Committee meeting was held at the City Administration Center in Rapid City, South Dakota, on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 12:30 p.m.

A quorum was determined with the following members answering the roll call: Ritchie Nordstrom, Pat Jones, Pat Roseland, Jason Salamun and Laura Armstrong Absent: None

(NOTE: For sake of continuity, the following minutes are not necessarily in chronological order. Also, all referenced documents are on file with the Master Agenda.)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Salamun second by Nordstrom and carried to adopt the agenda.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Nordstrom second by Jones and carried to approve Items 1 - 8 as they appear on the Consent Items.

CONSENT ITEMS -- Items 1 – 8

Public Comment opened – Items 1 – 8

Public Comment closed

Remove Items from the “Consent Items” and Vote on Remaining Consent Items

- 1) Approve Minutes for September 14, 2022

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 2) LF092822-03 –Request Authorization to Sign the 2022-2023 Grant Agreement with the South Dakota Department of Health for the Community Health Worker Grant (SD DOH-CHW) in an Amount up to \$50,000.00
- 3) LF092822-04 – Wildfire Mitigation Lt. Eric O'Connor from the Rapid City Fire Department provided a brief presentation regarding the Community Wildfire Defense Grant. He began by defining the “Wildfire Urban Interface” (WUI) which is a zone of transition between wilderness (unoccupied land) and land developed by human activity-an area where a built environment meets or intermingles with a natural environment. Human Settlements in the WUI are at a greater risk of catastrophic wildfire. Rapid City is rated 87% nationwide for risk (with surrounding areas between 90%-95%). Some of the other items O'Connor shared were statistics from the Schroeder Fire (March 29, 2021) and Auburn Fire (October 4, 2021), expenses for mitigation efforts in 2022, grant eligibility requirements, and the proposed agreement which included additional employees and various equipment needs. He also explained some of the high risk areas/target areas that will be focused on and the goal for number of acres treated. The grant is a five year grant and requires a 25% match from the City which can be in wages/in kind. Division Chief Chip Premus added that there will be some documentation and reporting that will be provided to the National Forest Service that will include the number of acres treated quarterly. He pointed out that grant money does not come in a lump sum, there are steps to go through for items such as equipment and the equipment is owned by the federal government until the value is below \$2,000.00. Premus also expressed that the in-kind contributions that include current staff wages, and existing equipment will easily cover

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the required match amounts for the grant. Salamon requested progress updates be provided to the City Council as well. Authorize Staff to Apply for and Accept if Awarded the Community Wildfire Defense Grant in the Amount of \$2,316,439.68

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

- 4) Acknowledge the Following Volunteers for Worker's Compensation Purposes: Barbara Carlson (RSVP+), Carol Hess (RSVP+), Lori Johnson (RSVP+), Connie Uris (RSVP+)
- 5) LF092822-01 – Acknowledge Update from the Opportunity Capture Fund Committee
- 6) LF092822-02 – Approve Moving Opportunity Capture Fund Vision Allocation from 2024 to 2022

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- 7) LF092822-05 – Authorize Mayor and Finance Director to Sign Agreement between the City of Rapid City, Central States Fair, Inc., and First Interstate Bank Assigning Vision Funds to the Bank that have been Awarded to Central States Fair, Inc. in order for Them to Obtain a Loan for Advance Funding to Construct Renovations Contemplated by the Award
- 8) LF092822-06 – Youth City Council Requests Authorization for Expenditure of \$1,200.00 of Approved Budget for Marketing and Community Relations

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

NON-CONSENT ITEMS – Items – 9 – 12

Public Comment opened – Items – 9 – 12

Public Comment closed

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- 9) LF091422-01 – Jones moved to approve the Second Reading and Recommendation of Ordinance No. 6552 Regarding Supplemental Appropriation #4 for 2022. Second by Nordstrom. Motion carried unanimously.

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- 10) LF092822-07 – City Attorney Joel Landeen shared that an offer has been accepted for \$2,398,000.00 for this property with some additional conditions. Since the developer is the owner of the apartments across the street and would like to build additional apartments in this location, there are some rezones that will have to take place. If the City were to choose not to approve the plans, then the sale would not be closed on and the property would have to be relisted. Landeen said he believes Planning has indicated apartments are appropriate in this location, so he does not foresee any problems, but ultimately, it will depend on what the specific proposal is. If this item is approved, the developer will start seeking approval of their plans and a closing date will be set once the City knows when the approvals are finalized. Jones moved to approve the Tentative Real Estate Purchase Agreement for Lots 4 & 5 of Owen Hibbard Subdivision and Authorize Mayor and Staff to Execute Any Documents Necessary to Complete the Transfer of the Property Consistent with the Purchase Agreement. Second by Roseland. Motion carried unanimously.

ALDERMAN ITEMS

Council members to discuss items regarding their committee assignments/updates

ADDENDUM NO. 1

CONSENT ITEMS

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- 11) LF092822-08 – Salamun moved to Acknowledge August 2022 General Fund Cash Balance Report. Second by Nordstrom. Motion carried unanimously.
- 12) LF092822-09 – Salamun moved to Acknowledge July 2022 Sales Tax Report. Second by Nordstrom. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, motion was made by Nordstrom second by Salamun and carried to adjourn the meeting at 1:45 p.m.