

CITY OF POCA TELLO, IDAHO  
CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: The Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.  
ROLL CALL AND by Mayor Brian Blad. Council members present were Rick,  
PLEDGE OF Cheatum, Linda Leeuwrik, Corey Mangum, Josh Mansfield,  
ALLEGIANCE Scott Marchand and Brent Nichols.

Mayor Blad led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: The invocation was offered by Pastor Starr Reardon, First  
INVOCATION Congregational United Church of Christ representative.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Council was asked to consider the following business items:  
CONSENT AGENDA

–MATERIAL CLAIMS (a) Consider the Material Claims for the period of August 16-31, 2023  
in the amount of \$3,302,582.27.

–TREASURER’S (b) Consider the Treasurer’s Report for July 2023 showing cash and  
REPORT investments as of July 31, 2023, in the amount of \$112,596,209.17.

–PLANNING AND (c) Confirm the Mayor’s appointment of Adam Geyer to serve as a  
ZONING member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, replacing  
COMMISSION Dr. Shin Kue Ryu whose term expired. Adam’s term will begin  
APPOINTMENT September 8, 2023 and expire September 8, 2027.

–EXCEPTION (d) Consider a request from Pocatello Fire Fighters IAFF Local 187 for  
REQUEST an exception to ordinances or laws that would prevent the group  
–“FILL THE BOOT” from gathering funds, for the Muscular Dystrophy Association “Fill  
FUNDRAISER the Boot” Fundraiser, on the public right-of-way at the intersection  
of Hiline Road and El Rancho Boulevard and the intersection of  
Olympus Drive and Pocatello Creek Road from 10:00 a.m. to  
6:00 p.m. on September 23, 2023.

–OPEN CONTAINER (e) Consider a request from Historic Downtown Pocatello (mailing  
WAIVER REQUEST address: PO Box 222, Pocatello ID 83204) for a waiver of the open  
–IDAHO FOODBANK container ordinance to allow alcohol to be consumed in the 100  
FUNDRAISER block of South Garfield Avenue and inside Lookout Point for the  
2nd Annual Idaho Foodbank Music Festival on September 9, 2023  
from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. If the open container ordinance is  
waived, it should be contingent upon the applicant meeting police  
Department requirements and purchasing appropriate permits.

- OPEN CONTAINER WAIVER REQUEST  
–OFF THE RAILS BREWING
- (f) Consider a request from Off the Rails Brewing (mailing address: 416 West Lewis, Pocatello ID 83204) for a waiver of the open container ordinance to allow alcohol to be consumed in the right-of-way located in the alley behind 416 West Lewis, between the 100 blocks of South Arthur Avenue and South Garfield Avenue on the following dates/times: Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. through the end of October for the Farmer’s Market; September 11 and 25, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for Food Truck Round Up; September 22, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for Downtown Neighborhood Movie Night; and November 24, 2023 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for Christmas Night Lights Parade. If the open container ordinance is waived, it should be contingent upon the applicant meeting Police Department requirements and purchasing appropriate permits.

A motion was made by Mr. Cheatum, seconded by Mr. Mangum, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda, as outlined. Upon roll call, those voting on favor were Cheatum, Mangum, Leeuwrik, Mansfield, Marchand and Nichols.

- AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Mr. Marchand, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed September 2023 to be Honoring the Triangle Neighborhood Month and encouraged all citizens to preserve Pocatello’s history by remembering the Triangle Neighborhood.
- PROCLAMATIONS

Alfreda Vann, representing the Historic Triangle Neighborhood, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition. She invited the community to join in the celebration on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Mangum, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed the month of September 2023 to be National Recovery Month in Pocatello and encouraged all citizens to observe the month with appropriate programs, activities and ceremonies supporting the theme: “Recovery is for Everyone, Every Person, Every Family, Every Community”.

JoAnne Martinez, representing RecoveryFest, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition. She invited the community to RecoveryFest on September 15, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Lookout Point.

Mr. Nichols, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed the month of September 2023 to be Senior Center Month in Pocatello and encouraged every resident to recognize the tremendous contributions that senior centers make towards the community and the efforts of the staff and volunteers who work every day to enhance the well-being of the older members of the community.

Diane Bilyeu, representing the Senior Activities Center, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition.

Mr. Cheatum, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed that the City of Pocatello is committed to investing in advanced energy as a core component of Idaho and the nation's long-term energy strategy and urged all citizens to recognize the importance of advanced energy to our national security, economy and environment.

Ethan Huffman, representing Idaho National Laboratory (INL), accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition.

Ms. Leeuwrik, on behalf of Mayor Blad, proclaimed September 18, 2023 through September 22, 2023 to be Kind Community Week and asked citizens to be more than bystanders when it comes to kindness and make the choice every day to be kind.

Laura Rizzo, representing Kind Community, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition. She also expressed her gratitude to the community for their support.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Mayor Blad reminded the Council members of the Council Work  
CALENDAR REVIEW Session to be held on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.; the  
following meetings on September 21<sup>st</sup>: Clarification Meeting at 5:30  
p.m.; and Regular Council meeting at 6:00 p.m. and the September 27<sup>th</sup> City Council Town Hall  
meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Blad announced the final day to file for candidacy for City Council Seats 1, 2 and 3 is September 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Contact the City Clerk for more information; Splash Dance for Dogs at Ross Park Aquatic Complex from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on September 9<sup>th</sup> and half-price dog and puppy adoptions are at the Pocatello Animal Shelter through September 9<sup>th</sup>; Contact the Animal Shelter for more information; and September 10<sup>th</sup> is Grandparents Day at Zoo Idaho. Grandparents will receive 50% off their admission when they are accompanied by a paid child. Mayor Blad reminded citizens that Zoo Idaho will be open on weekends only September 9<sup>th</sup> through October 29<sup>th</sup>; and open burn ban in wildland-urban interface areas continues.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Council was asked to approve mural and sign on the Titan Center of  
-REQUEST TO ALTER which the façade is under a façade improvement easement with the  
A FAÇADE WITHIN City. The mural will be 3,000 square feet, of which, 178.35 square  
FAÇADE EASEMENT feet will constitute a sign. Approval of a sign permit will be necessary  
prior to painting. The general location of the property is 669 West  
Quinn Road.

In response to a question from Council, Brent McLane, Planning and Development Director, explained the definition of a Façade.

A motion was made by Mr. Mangum, seconded by Mr. Mansfield, to approve a mural and sign on the Titan Center of which the façade is under a façade improvement easement with the City and the mural will be 3,000 square feet, of which, 178.35 square feet will constitute a sign and an approval of a sign permit will be necessary prior to painting. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Mangum, Mansfield, Cheatum, Leeuwrik, Marchand and Nichols.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Council was asked to consider the following requests regarding the construction of the Center Street Railroad Bridge Underpass Project:  
--STATE/LOCAL AGREEMENT (CONSTRUCTION) CENTER STREET RAILROAD BRIDGE UNDERPASS

--APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH ITD a) Approve a State/Local Agreement (Construction) Center Street Railroad Bridge Underpass between the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and the City of Pocatello;

--AUTHORIZE PAYMENT b) Authorize payment of a 7.34% match in the amount of \$387,692; and

--AUTHORIZE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE c) Authorize the Mayor's signature on all pertinent documents, including change orders up to 10% of the project match, subject to Legal Department Review.

Funding for the project has been allocated in Fund 70.

In response to questions from Council, Merril Quayle, Senior Engineer, gave a brief overview of the process to complete this project.

A motion was made by Mr. Cheatum, seconded by Ms. Leeuwrik, to approve a State/Local Agreement (Construction) Center Street Railroad Bridge Underpass between Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and the City of Pocatello and authorize payment of 7.34% match in the amount of \$387,692 and authorize the Mayor's signature on all pertinent documents, including change orders up to 10% of the project match, subject to Legal Department review. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Cheatum, Leeuwrik, Mangum, Mansfield, Marchand and Nichols.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Council was asked to approve the following requests regarding the Station Alerting System:  
--STATION ALERTING SYSTEM PURCHASE  
--FIRE DEPARTMENT

--APPROVE CONTRACT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS a) Approve a contract between the City of Pocatello and Motorola Solutions for a Station Alerting System including hardware, software and services for five (5) fire stations and the Pocatello Dispatch Center in the amount of \$499,999.00;

--APPROVE USE OF ARPA FUNDS b) Approve the use of ARPA funds to cover the cost of the System Upgrade Agreement with Motorola Solutions and a Maintenance Agreement with Day Wireless through Fiscal Year 2026 in the amount of \$76,243.00; and

- AUTHORIZE MAYOR’S SIGNATURE            c) Authorize the Mayor’s signature on all pertinent documents, including change orders up to 10% of the project match, subject to Legal Department Review.

Funding for the project has been identified in the City of Pocatello’s ARPA expenditure plan.

In response to questions from Council, Chief O’Hearn gave a brief overview of past problems the Fire Department has had with the current system. He stated that the training for the new program is included in the total cost.

A motion was made by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Ms. Leeuwrik, to approve a contract between the City of Pocatello and Motorola Solutions for a Station Alerting System including hardware, software and services for five (5) fire stations and the Pocatello Dispatch Center in the amount of \$499,999.00; approved the use of ARPA funds to cover the cost of the System Upgrade Agreement with Motorola Solutions and a Maintenance Agreement with Day Wireless through Fiscal Year 2026 in the amount of \$76,243.00; and authorize the Mayor’s signature on all pertinent documents, subject to Legal Department review. Upon roll call those voting in favor were Nichols, Leeuwrik, Cheatum, Mangum, Mansfield and Marchand.

- AGENDA ITEM NO.    9:    Council was asked to accept the recommendations of staff and award the bid for the Sanitation Department Lean-To Extension Project to the lowest responsive bidder, West Wind Construction, LLC in the amount of \$199,950.00, and authorize the Mayor’s signature on all applicable documents, subject to Legal Department review. Funds for the project have been allocated in the Sanitation Department budget.
- BID ACCEPTANCE  
AND AWARD FOR  
LEAN-TO EXTENSION  
PROJECT  
–SANITATION  
DEPARTMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Mangum, seconded by Mr. Mansfield, to accept the recommendations of staff and award the bid for the Sanitation Department Lean-To Extension Project to the lowest responsive bidder, West Wind Construction, LLC in the amount of \$199,950.00, and authorize the Mayor’s signature on all applicable documents, subject to Legal Department review. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Mangum, Mansfield, Cheatum, Leeuwrik, Marchand and Nichols.

- AGENDA ITEM NO.    10:    Council was asked to approve and authorize the Mayor’s signature on a Blue Cross of Idaho medical insurance contract for City Employee insurance benefits during Fiscal Year 2024, subject to Legal Department review. All costs for the renewal agreement have been itemized in the Fiscal Year 2024 budget.
- AGREEMENT/  
CONTRACT-  
EMPLOYEE  
INSURANCE  
BENEFITS

A motion was made Mr. Mangum, seconded by Mr. Mansfield, to approve and authorize the Mayor’s signature on a Blue Cross of Idaho medical insurance contract for City Employee insurance benefits during Fiscal Year 2024, subject to Legal Department review. All costs for the renewal agreement have been itemized in the Fiscal Year 2024 budget. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Mangum, Mansfield, Cheatum, Leeuwrik, Marchand and Nichols.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Council was asked to accept the recommendations of staff and award the bid for the Marshall Public Library's Elevator Modernization Project to the responsive bidder, TK Elevator, and authorize the Mayor's signature on all applicable documents, subject to Legal Department review.

-BID ACCEPTANCE  
AND AWARD FOR  
ELEVATOR  
MODERNIZATION  
PROJECT  
-MARSHALL  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

A motion was made by Ms. Leeuwrik, seconded by Mr. Mangum, to accept the recommendations of staff and award the bid for the Marshall Public Library's Elevator Modernization Project to the responsive bidder, TK Elevator, and authorize the Mayor's signature on all applicable documents, subject to Legal Department review. Upon roll call, those voting in favor were Leeuwrik, Mangum, Cheatum, Mansfield, Marchand and Nichols.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: There being no further business, Mayor Blad adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

-ADJOURN

APPROVED BY:

  
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BRIAN C. BLAD, MAYOR

ATTESTED BY:

  
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KONNI R. KENDELL, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY:

  
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WENDY A. PRATHER, DEPUTY CITY CLERK