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The City Council of the City of Idaho Falls, County of Bonneville, State of Idaho, met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 7, 1968, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock P.M., at the City Council Chambers, in the City Hall of Idaho Falls, Idaho; due and legal notice of said meeting having been given as required by law and the rules and ordinances of the City.

On roll call the following members, constituting a quorum, were present: Mayor S. Eddie Pedersen; Councilwoman Lyn Smith, Councilmen Jim Freeman, Dale Parish, Gordon Nelson, Melvin Erickson, Jack Wood, Jr. Also present: Roy C. Barnes, City Clerk; Arthur Smith, City Attorney; Luther Jenkins, City Controller; Ray Browning, Building Official; William Fell, Electrical Engineer; Don Lloyd, Public Works Director; Robert Pollock, Police Chief.

Minutes of the last recessed Regular Meeting, held February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1968, were read and approved.

The Mayor announced that this was the time and the place for a public hearing, as advertised, to consider re-zoning two parcels of property. First to be considered was Lot 3, Block 2, South Lawn Addition. There were no protests. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Smith, that this lot be rezoned from R-2 to R-2A. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Next to be reviewed was a petition by the Holmes Avenue Professional Corporation asking for rezoning from R-1 to R-3A on Lots 8 and 9, Block 1, First Amended Plat of the Blackburn Addition. It was noted that these lots were bounded on the west by a professional building; on the east and across the street by residences. The Council recognized the fact that this area had previously been advertised for a zoning hearing and that it had been permanently tabled due to objections from the near-by residents, arising from the fact that the building plans called for a structure facing west. Mr. George Petersen, local attorney representing the petitioner, appeared before the Council and presented a revised plot plan by sketch, providing for a structure facing 9<sup>th</sup> Street with parking in the front. Mr. Petersen advised that this plan meets with the approval of the Planning Commission and all near-by residents. Councilwoman Smith registered objection on the grounds that even this plan would tend to downgrade the residential neighborhood because of the parking as described. Mr. Petersen explained that the residents preferred this plan to a vacant lot or, for example, an apartment house. He said the property would only lend itself effectively to an apartment house or a professional building. Councilman Parish indicated he would favor the rezoning only if there was evidence of good faith on the part of the developer by applying for a building permit without delay and that, even then, the Building Inspector would be directed to watch construction closely to see that it complied with the architect's proposed sketch. Mr. Petersen assured Parish that lessees had already been committed and that there was no intention nor need to deviate from the plot plan as described. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Erickson, that this rezoning, from R-1 to R-3A, be granted. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Parish, Freeman, Erickson, Wood, Nelson; No, Councilwoman Smith. Carried.

This concluded the zoning hearing. The Mayor instructed the Building Official to incorporate the foregoing zoning changes on the official zoning map, located in his office.

Mr. and Mrs. George Balmforth again appeared before the Council and, in their interests, the Mayor asked that the following memo from the Building Official be presented:

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MEMO TO: Mayor and City Council

We have a request for a permit to construct a combination one family dwelling and a reception center on Lots 6 and 8, Block 2, in University Manors. The zone is R-3A.

Since the reception center is not a listed use in any zone, and is not under the jurisdiction of the Adjustment Board, we are asking the Council for instructions.

The reception center will be used for weddings and receptions, also sewing and fitting rooms to make wedding and bridesmaids dresses to be rented or sold.

The following uses shall be permitted in the R-3A zone:

1. Any use permitted in the RP, RP-A, R-2, R-2A, and R-3 residence zones.
2. Off-street parking lots.
3. Office buildings for professional person, such as doctors, dentists, accountants, attorneys, architects.
4. Motels.
5. Clinics and hospitals for the treatment of humans.
6. Mortuaries, funeral parlors, subject to the approval of the Board of Adjustment.
7. Non-flashing signs advertising the services performed within the building, and signs designating the name of the building, provided such signs shall be attached to and placed flat against the wall of the building, and provided no part of such sign shall extend more than two feet (2) from the building wall.
8. Directional signs not to exceed two (2) square feet, also signs advertising the use of a lot for parking space, provided the signs advertising such use shall not exceed eight (8) square feet, and shall not be constructed to a height greater than four (4) feet.
9. Other uses which have been ruled by the City Council to be similar to the uses hereinabove listed.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Ray Browning  
Building Official

Mrs. Balmforth, acting as spokesman, explained that they had selected this tentative location for a single family dwelling and wedding reception center. She said it was located between two church

properties and the only other near-by occupied building was a four-plex. She described her anticipated professional activity, other than the reception center, by saying it would be limited to

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buying fabric, designing and making wedding dresses. She said the proposed structure would be split level and that the living quarters would be above the sewing room. The reception area would face 17<sup>th</sup> Street. She concluded her remarks by saying that, by her own choosing, her clientele would be by appointment only and that, in her opinion, the anticipated use of the property would be in line with other uses as defined for an R-3A zone. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Smith, that a variance be granted for the proposed construction with the understanding that restrictions be observed and enforced by the Building Official, as outlined by Mrs. Balmforth. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Mr. Donald Ellsworth, local Engineer, appeared before the Council with a written appeal from his client, Hunter-Saucerman Construction, Inc., as follows:

Hunter-Saucerman Const. Inc.  
P. O. Box 1802  
Idaho Falls, Idaho  
March 5, 1968

The Honorable Mayor Pedersen and  
Idaho Falls City Council  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

On February 27<sup>th</sup>, 1968 we asked the Board of Adjustment for a variance of the 30' setback to a 10' setback on the north side of 25<sup>th</sup> Street between Gallatin Avenue and U.P.P.R. tracks. Our appeal was denied.

We feel the board is in error for the following reasons:

1. 25<sup>th</sup> Street is a dead end street at the railroad tracks and at the point of property in question.
2. In developing our property we have voluntarily setback 85' on Gallatin Avenue in lieu of to 30' required so that truck trailer rigs can completely clear the street.
3. If we are granted this variance the balance of this property will be developed as the existing, and could not be opened onto 25<sup>th</sup> Street for loading or unloading.

In order that the City may continue to benefit from this excess of loading and unloading area over that which is required by code and to encourage the development of this very fine industrial area, we feel that you should act favorably to this appeal.

Very truly yours,  
s/ Joe W. Hunter  
Hunter-Saucerman Const.

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Ellsworth, noting the appeal had been denied by the Board of Adjustment, said he was reasonably sure that Board, in arriving at that decision, was not aware that 25<sup>th</sup> Street was not designed nor planned to extend to Yellowstone. He said this variance was being requested to provide ample room for large tractor-trailer rigs which load and unload at this location. Councilman Parish registered an opinion that a variance granted in this instance would not and could not be precedent setting due to the unique and unusual circumstances including location which is on a dead end street. Discussion revealed the fact that there was not sufficient clearance on the south side to permit loading and unloading without the parked trucks extending out into 25<sup>th</sup> Street. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilwoman Smith, that the variance be granted, subject to the understanding that no loading docks be permitted on the south side of the building. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Mr. A. L. Freese, 520 N. Ridge Avenue, appeared before the Council asking that his electric meter deposit be refunded to him with interest. He explained that he had previously proposed this, as well as other problems, to the Electrical Engineer by letter and that he had received a written reply dated June 30, 1967. He said he again wrote the Electrical Engineer on January 21, 1968. The Mayor, having a copy of this letter, asked and received permission from Mr. Freese to read it aloud, as follows:

January 21, 1968

City of Idaho Falls  
Electric Light Division  
The Honorable W. H. Fell, Manager

Mr. Fell, thank you very much for your nice letter of June 30, 1967, in which you say "It is likely that there will be deposit refunds very soon."

Dear Sir, what does very soon mean?

At the CITY COUNCIL Meeting when the rate reduction was announced last year, this writer rose to inquire if any thing else besides a 6% reduction could better be done.

The City has an effective monopoly in the electricity field. As a monopolist, it needs to be halfway decent about the exercise of its monopoly power. The only purpose in the deposit is to assure payment of bills. Do gasoline retailers demand deposits ahead of time from their credit users? How about other people with goods and services to supply to well-known customers? Aside from whores, lawyers, landlords, and your light division, that is?

The undersigned has been gainfully employed and resident here since 1966 and finds the most recent bill to be for \$7.20, indicating no arrearages. Other people who have lived their lives right here for 23 to 40 years similarly, still have their \$10.00 deposit with you drawing no interest at all, as it would at Idaho Power & Utah Power. Yet you still keep their deposits.

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Inasmuch as “very soon” means nothing at all apparently, the idea comes to mind for action of some other kind than a petition to a non-existence sense of fairness or rightness here.

One possibility is for numerous users jointly to stop paying their bills. Why not, since we are assumed to be – one and all – potential deadbeats? Another plan is to take a poll via radio, paper, and TV to ascertain what the views of the subscribers are.

Your current policy on deposits insults your own steady customers, who are not necessarily helpless even though we only too often feel that way in the face of the subscribers of a soulless bureaucracy.

Or we can resort to candles and lanterns in a users strike.

Meanwhile, let us hear no more about how the local utility is competitive with the various private utilities near-by. This would be a false braggadocio.

Sincerely,  
A. L. Freese

Mr. Freese said he had talked with his attorney on the meter deposit issue who assured him he was within his legal rights to demand a refund. He used, for purposes of illustration, the two privately owned utilities in the area. Councilman Wood pointed out that their money so collected can be and is being used for operational purposes, whereas the City’s money so collected is in a dedicated fund. Councilman Parish drew attention to the City’s annual charge off program and that meter deposits help defray said costs. Parish said there are many problems in converting the existing system to one that provides for refunds. The Mayor referred the problem to the Fiscal and Electrical Committees for study and consideration.

Bills for the month of February, 1968, having been properly audited by the Fiscal Committee, were presented in caption form, as follows:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>GROSS PAYROLL</u>	<u>SERVICES &amp; MATERIALS</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>
General Fund	\$112,986.40	\$53,423.73	\$166,410.13
Fire Bonds	35,349.57	3,736.99	39,086.56
Water & Sewer Fund	8,814.09	20,785.02	29,599.11
Electric Light Fund	30,236.01	66,028.55	96,264.56

Police Retirement Fund	2,483.01	.00	2,483.01
Recreation Fund	<u>962.56</u>	<u>233.47</u>	<u>1,196.03</u>
<b><u>TOTAL FUNDS</u></b>	<b>\$190,831.64</b>	<b>\$144,207.76</b>	<b>\$335,039.40</b>

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It was moved by Councilman Parish, seconded by Freeman, that the bills be allowed and the Controller be authorized to issue warrants on the respective funds for their payment. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Reports from Division and Department Heads were presented for the month of February, 1968, and, there being no objectives, were ordered placed on file in the office of the City Clerk.

License applications for RESTAURANT, (Transfer only), from Anna White to Harold D. Brown for Frontier Bar; Mrs. Mark Storer for Storer's A. & W. Root Beer, E. A. Logan for Hotel Rogers, Paul Saito for Mary's Chuck Wagon, Sybil Ames for Sybil's Café, Bus O'Connell for Snak Bar at Sears, Robert J. Wilkinson for Bob's Arctic Circle, Ted LeBaron for LeBarons Coffee Shop, Roger B. Hougen for Flamingo Restaurant, Robert J. Wilkinson for E. Street Arctic Circle, Mrs. Mark Storer for A & W Root Beer #2; DAIRY, Larry L. Reed for Reed Brothers Dairy; BOWLING ALLEY, Ky Nii for Hollywood Bowl; DANCE HALL, Harold D. Brown for Frontier Bar, Roger B. Hougen for Flamingo Restaurant ; PHOTOGRAPHER, Sarah Lind Cheyne for Cheyne Photo, Peter Jahner for 10<sup>th</sup> Street; MOTEL, E. A. Logan for Hotel Rogers, Inc.; ROOMING HOUSE, Ross Hotel, Ray Sullivan for Sandee Motel; L.A. Adams for Haven Motel; POOL ROOM, Katz Nukaya for Classic Billiards; SECOND HAD STORE, J. I. McBroom for Ken Garff Sales, Inc.; ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR, LeRoy Hale for Bauchman's Idaho Falls Electric; JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN, Glen S. Landon; APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN, Max Russell with H. L. Electric; JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER, Hyrum Dale Mathews, Don Frisby; CLASS C JOURNEYMAN, Hyrum Dale Mathews for First Street Plumbing & Heating; BEER, (Transfer only), from Anna White to Harold Brown for Frontier Bar; BEER, (Canned and bottled, to be consumed on the premises), David C. Drysdale for 19<sup>th</sup> Hole Café were presented. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Wood, that these licenses be granted, subject to the approval of the appropriate Division Director, where required. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The City Clerk submitted the following notice of public hearing:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON**  
**BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1968**  
**CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Idaho Falls, Idaho, will hold a public hearing for consideration of the proposed annual budget and annual appropriation ordinance for the fiscal year 1968, pursuant to the provisions of Section 50-1002 I. C. and 50-1003 I. C., said hearing to be held at Council Chambers in the City Hall of Idaho Falls, Idaho, at 7:30 P.M. on March 21, 1968. At said hearing, all interested persons may appear and show

cause, if any they have, why said proposed budget should not be adopted or why the annual appropriation ordinance should not be passed and enacted in accordance therewith.

### PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

The following is an estimate, set forth in said proposed budget, of the total amount of money necessary to defray the proposed expenditures and accruing indebtedness of the City  
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of Idaho Falls for Fiscal Year 1968. Said amounts are set forth by Fund and/or Department as follows:

General and Administrative	\$ 298,935
Finance	83,620
City Clerk	84,533
Police	543,037
Inspection, Zoning and Planning	95,999
Animal Regulations	34,345
Public Works	983,944
City Parks	329,321
Airport	<u>95,498</u>
Total General Fund	\$ 2,549,232
Municipal Fire Fund	\$ 544,500
Municipal Water and Sewer Fund	685,500
Municipal Electric Light Fund	1,782,000
Municipal Recreation Fund	90,498
Municipal Library Fund	121,370
Municipal Auditorium Bond Redemption and Interest Funds	35,000
Municipal Police Retirement Fund	35,000
Municipal Fire Improvement Bond Redemption and Interest Funds	<u>37,000</u>
	\$ 3,330,868
Total Appropriation	<u>\$ 5,880,100</u>

The entire Revenue of the City of Idaho Falls, Idaho for the Fiscal Year 1968 based upon the receipts of the previous twelve (12) months including receipts from Water and Sewer System and Hydroelectric Plant, is as follows, to-wit:

Revenue from tax levy based upon certified valuation of \$31,133,249.

15.10 Mills General Levy	\$ 470,112
8.28 Mills Municipal Fire Department Fund - Special Levy	257,783
3.68 Mills Municipal Library Fund - Special Levy	114,570
2.00 Mills Municipal Police Retirement Fund - Special Levy	62,266
1.01 Mills Municipal Auditorium Bond Redemption Fund - Special Levy	31,445

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2.10 Mills Municipal Recreation Fund - Special Levy	65,380
1.35 Mills Municipal Fire Department Improvements Bond Redemption and Interest Fund - Special Levy	42,030
2.00 Mills Municipal Capital Improvement Fund	<u>62,266</u>
35.52 Mills Total Tax Levy	\$ 1,105,852
Franchises	\$ 46,400
Licenses and Permits	141,600
Interest and Rentals	109,800
Charges for Current Services	325,900
Sale on Electrical Energy	2,734,200
Revenue from Other Agencies	421,100
Miscellaneous Other Revenues	117,500
Water and Sewer System	678,500
Municipal Library Collections	6,800
Contributions and Interest	<u>15,400</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 5,703,052
Unappropriated Surplus	<u>274,010</u>
	\$ 5,977,062
	<u>(96,962)</u>
TOTAL REVENUES AND SURPLUS FOR APPROPRIATION	<u>\$ 5,880,100</u>

I, Roy C. Barnes, City Clerk of the City of Idaho Falls, Idaho, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct statement of the proposed expenditures by Fund and/or Department for 1968 and of the entire estimated revenue of the City for 1968 based upon the previous fiscal year; all of which have been tentatively approved by the City Council and entered at length in the Journal of Proceedings.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1968.

s/ Roy C. Barnes  
CITY CLERK

It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Parish, that authorization be granted to publish as indicated and as required by law. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

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A five-year extension rider was presented to Union Pacific Contract L. D. No. 19158 for a sewer pipe line encroachment on the railroad right-of-way at Lomax Street. It was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Erickson, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Presented to the Council was a Final Plat of the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Medical Plaza, accompanied by a memo from the City Planner that it met with the approval of the Planning Commission and the City Planning Division. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilwoman Smith, that the Plat be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign. Roll call as follows; Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Also, submitted by the City Planner was an Annexation Ordinance of the Rose Nielsen Addition, Division No. 3, accompanied by an Annexation Agreement, properly signed by the Developer. It was noted that this area had been recommended for annexation by the Planning Commission and that it be zoned R-1. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilwoman Smith, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Annexation Agreement. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1202**

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN LANDS TO THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS; DESCRIBING SAID LANDS AND DECLARING SAME A PART OF THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO. (ROSE NIELSEN ADDITION, DIVISION NO. 3)

The foregoing Ordinance was presented in title. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilwoman Smith, that the provisions of Section 50-902 of the Idaho Code requiring all ordinances to be fully and distinctly read on three several days be dispensed with. The question being, "SHALL THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 50-902 OF THE IDAHO CODE REQUIRING ALL ORDINANCES TO BE READ ON THREE SEVERAL DAYS BE DISPENSED WITH?" Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried. The majority of all the members of the Council present having voted in the affirmative, the Mayor declared the rule dispensed with and ordered the ordinance placed before the Council for final consideration the question being, "SHALL THE ORDINANCE PASS?" Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The foregoing area having been annexed, it was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilwoman Smith, that it be zoned R-1 and the Building Official be directed to incorporate said zoning on the official zoning map located in his office. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Councilman Nelson introduced Ordinance No. 1201, entitled:

**ORDINANCE NO. 1201**

AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND SETTING FORTH THE BOUNDARIES OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 37, IN AND FOR IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING A DRAINAGE SEWER IN CERTAIN STREETS, ALLEYS, EASEMENTS  
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AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF SAID CITY; PROVIDING THAT SUCH IMPROVEMENTS SHALL BE MADE AND THAT THE COST AND EXPENSE OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS SHALL BE TAXED AND ASSESSED UPON ALL PROPERTY IN SAID DISTRICT IN PROPORTION TO THE NUMBER OF SQUARE FEET OF LANDS AND LOTS, ABUTTING, ADJOINING, CONTIGUOUS AND ADJACENT THERETO, INCLUDED IN SAID DISTRICT AND IN PROPORTION TO THE BENEFITS DERIVED TO SUCH PROPERTY BY SAID IMPROVEMENTS, EXCEPT THAT THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS SHALL PAY \$22,700.00 OF SAID COST AND EXPENSE; AND PROVIDING, FURTHER, THAT THE MAKING OF SAID IMPROVEMENTS IS DEPENDENT UPON THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS TO DEFRAY THE ENTIRE COST OF SAID IMPROVEMENTS.

and moved that the Ordinance be adopted and passed by the Council on its first reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Parish and the same being put to a vote, was unanimously carried by the affirmative vote of the Mayor and all Councilmen present.

It was moved by Councilwomen Smith that the rules be suspended, and that the Ordinance be placed on its second and third reading. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wood, and the same being put to a vote, was unanimously carried by the affirmative vote of the Mayor and all Councilmen present.

It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Councilman Freeman, that the Ordinance pass its second reading, and the same being put to a vote, was unanimously carried by the affirmative vote of the Mayor and all Councilmen present.

It was moved by Councilman Nelson, seconded by Councilman Parish, that the Ordinance pass its third reading, and that the same be adopted, and the Clerk be instructed to publish the same as required by law, and the same being put to a vote, it was unanimously carried, the vote being as

follows: Councilwoman Smith, Councilman Freeman, Councilman Parish, Councilman Nelson, Councilman Erickson, Councilman Wood.

From the Traffic Safety Committee, several traffic recommendations were made by memo, as follows:

City of Idaho Falls  
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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council, City of Idaho Falls  
FROM: City Traffic Safety Committee  
SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATIONS

The following are submitted for your consideration and approval.

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1. It is suggested the City adopt an Ordinance, thereby making it a violation by; Opening the door of a vehicle into a lane of moving traffic so as to interfere with the traffic.
2. To designate NO PARKING on small parcel of City property at southeast corner of Shoup and Eagle Rock.
3. To establish 20-minute parking in the two zones in front of Jiffy Mart on Elm Street.
4. Installation of parking meters on the west side of Park and Chamberlain Avenues from Market to Cliff Street.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Robert D. Pollock  
Chairman - City Traffic  
Safety Committee

Pertaining to Recommendation No. 1, Police Chief Pollock appeared to say that under existing code, the Police Department has no means of charging a person who carelessly and, with negligence, opens a car door into an oncoming traffic which has been known to cause accidents. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Councilwoman Smith, that the City Attorney be directed to prepare an Ordinance accordingly, for Council action. Roll call as follows; Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The second recommendation was then considered. Pollock pointed out that there was a machine parking lot to the north; also, that the small parcel of City-owned property in question was not large enough to provide adequate parking of any kind without parked vehicles extending out into the street. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Wood, that the No Parking signs be authorized as recommended. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

With regard to Recommendation No. 3, Pollock explained that the operator of the Jiffy Mart had complained that the stalls in front of his store were frequently being used for extended or even all day parking. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Wood, that the 20-minute parking signs be permitted as recommended. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Recommendation No. 4 was then reviewed. The Police Chief explained that this had been requested by Bill's Cycle Shop, 152 Chamberlain and Park Avenue Furniture, 101 Park Avenue, because of all day parking in front of their respective establishments. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Wood, that the following be approved: installation of five two-hour meters on the west side of Chamberlain between Eagle Rock and the alley immediately to the south; then four one-hour meters south of said alley, also on the west side of Chamberlain; also, the continuation of one-hour restricted parking in front of the Park Avenue Furniture and the Trading Post, immediately across the street. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

The Mayor reported he had been urged by certain merchants to seek Council approval to sign North Yellowstone from "G" Street underpass to the north City limits, indicating said street as the Northgate Mile. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Wood, that this be referred to

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the appropriate Council Committee for study and recommendation. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

City Attorney Smith presented an agreement between the City and the Idaho Irrigation District, outlining terms and conditions for relocating the Idaho Canal at the expense of the City north of 17<sup>th</sup> Street between Emerson and Boulevard. Mr. Smith noted that the agreement did not provide for a specific completion date but advised it would be the recommendation from the legal department that the project be completed within the next year. It was moved by Councilman Parish, seconded by Nelson, that the agreement be accepted and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Reference is made to page 39 in this book of minutes and, more specifically, a petition from downtown employees asking that the west side of the railroad parking lot along Yellowstone Avenue be converted to permit all day parking. Councilman Erickson submitted the following petition with eight signers, all downtown businessmen:

**PETITION**

We the undersigned merchants and businessmen in Idaho Falls would urge the retention of the City-operated parking lot adjoining Yellowstone Highway in the central business district for the customer parking for which it was obtained and in the manner for which it is presently being utilized. It is our view that this lot is being presently utilized satisfactorily and does not provide opportunity for all day employee parking. As a vital unit of our overall parking program for customers this lot has present values in obtaining millions of dollars in rental and service trades in the central business district which would be severely restricted if the use is changed.

It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Wood, that the original petition be denied and that restricting for the parking lot in question remain unchanged. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

Councilman Erickson then submitted a recommendation from downtown merchants that the present ordinance regulating parking meters be changed relative to hours of operation which are presently from 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Erickson said the merchants had urged that the hours be changed as follows: 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., extended to 9:00 P.M. when stores are open. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Wood, that this be referred to the Police Committee for further study and recommendation. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 6; No, none; carried.

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Freeman, seconded by Erickson, that the meeting adjourn at 9:30 P.M., carried.

ATTEST: s/ Roy C. Barnes  
CITY CLERK

s/ S. Eddie Pedersen  
MAYOR

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