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The City Council of the City of Idaho Falls met in Recessed Session, Friday September 8, 1961, at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Idaho Falls, Idaho. There were present at said Meeting: Mayor W. J. O'Bryant; Councilmen Creek, Foote, Leahy, Page. Also present: Roy C. Barnes, City Clerk; George Barnard, City Attorney; Don Lloyd, City Engineer; Alva Harris, Building Official; Luther Jenkins, Controller; Harold Davis, Electrical Engineer; Kelvin Nelson, Recreation Director.

Minutes of the last Regular Meeting, held August 18<sup>th</sup>, 1961, and Special Meetings held August 28<sup>th</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup>, 1961 were read and approved as amended.

The following memorandum from the City Engineer was read by the City Clerk:

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Acct. No. 9B-49

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, we are submitting our recommendation with reference to the protest made by the Boise Cascade Corporation relative to L.I.D. No. 27.

The protest is based upon the fact that this Company is presently served with a sewer and is therefore not benefited by the installation proposed. We point out to the Council that the Boise Cascade Corporation is served by a storm sewer known as the Sugar Company sewer. This sewer system empties directly into the Snake River without benefit of treatment. We would like to point out further, that heretofore a sanitary sewer has not been available to this property, nor has the Boise Cascade Corporation ever paid for a sanitary sewer installation.

We feel strongly that this particular sewer is necessary to provide the area with sanitary sewer service, and we find no justification to exclude this property from service simply because it has a storm sewer available. Therefore, we are recommending to the Mayor and Council that this protest be denied.

Respectfully submitted,  
Public Works Division  
s/ Donald F. Lloyd  
City Engineer

Mr. Orville Hansen, local attorney, appeared before the Council in the interest of the Boise Cascade Corporation, protesting that Company's assessment under L.I.D. # 27, on the grounds that the property is already served by an adequate sewer system. He explained that the Company had

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granted a sewer easement to the City several years ago and that the sewer would be used only to a very limited degree.

Mr. Oliver Dawson, local manager of the Boise Cascade Corporation, appeared before the Council, protesting the amount of the assessment in relation to benefits received, the manner in which it was computed, and the proposed routing of the sewer line in question. He said there were no encroachments on the property when it was purchased and when the building permit was issued, the City made no reference to a sewer permit.

The City Engineer explained that, even though his Company might be of the opinion that the building has adequate sewer service, the sewage is now running into a storm sewer instead of a sanitary sewer. Mr. Dawson replied by saying that the easement granted to the City makes no references to this fact. Also, he said, this is the same sewer that serves the Utah Idaho Sugar Company. The Mayor explained that the Sugar Company is being forced to install their own treatment plant so that, eventually, their sewage, flowing to the river through this service line, will be properly treated.

Asked if his Company would be willing to enter the district and pay a sewer assessment on an arbitrated basis, Mr. Dawson answered in the affirmative, providing the amount of the revised assessment appeared equitable. The City Attorney said that Mr. Dawson's protest, being principally based upon the fact that it was excessive, would be more in order for presentation at the next protest meeting, specifically directed toward assessments and the manner in which they are computed.

It was moved by Councilman Foote, seconded by Page, that the Boise Cascade Corporation protest be tabled further, pending a detailed study by the Engineering Department to determine if the proposed sewer line might be re-routed to advantage. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Mr. Jim Warren, 1164 Bingham, appeared before the Council asking for a decision on a request, originally presented August 8, 1961, that he be given partial relief on assessments relative to Lots 35, 36, and 37, Block 51, Highland Park Addition. The City Engineer explained that one lot was assessed because of a building and an adjoining lot was assessed because of a building which was resting only one half over on the lot.

The City Attorney advised the Council that it was not within their power to waive an assessment on a district which had previously been formed and on which bonds are outstanding. He said that the assessment, if waived by the Council in favor of Mr. Warren, must be paid from the general fund of the City. No action was taken by the Council.

Mr. Lowell Jobe and Mrs. John McBride appeared before the Council in the interests of the Idaho Falls Symphony and extended an invitation to the Mayor and Council to attend the opening concert to be held September 15<sup>th</sup>, 1961, as well as a reception after the concert at the Methodist Church.

The Mayor announced that this was the time and the place for a public hearing on the proposed #9 Well site. There were no protests. It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Page, that construction of the well in the location as planned and advertised be authorized. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

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The Mayor announced that this was also the time and the place for a public hearing on seven chlorination detention tanks of varying sizes to be located in the immediate vicinity of seven City operated wells.

Messrs. M. L. Apgood, 211 11<sup>th</sup> and C. G. Munsee, 126 9<sup>th</sup>, appeared with several questions on the 10<sup>th</sup> Street site, pertaining to fencing and landscaping. These were satisfactorily answered by Building Official Harris and Councilman Leahy. It was moved by Councilman Page, seconded by Foote, that construction of these seven tanks in the locations as proposed and advertised be authorized and the Building Official be instructed to issue the proper permits upon application. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Mr. Gene Hess, representing Consolidated Industries, Inc., appeared before the Council, asking for a Council decision on that Company's proposal to develop the undeveloped portion of Fielding Memorial Park. It was brought out in the ensuing conversation that if this were done, burial spaces would increase in price appreciably. A trust fund would be established for perpetual care and maintenance. Mr. Hess warned that if this proposition were denied, Consolidated Industries intended to start a Memorial Garden of their own. Councilman Page commented to the effect that, in his opinion, the City administration could be open for criticism by releasing operational control of Fielding Memorial Park when Rosehill Cemetery property will no longer be available in a few years. It was moved by Councilman Page, seconded by Creek, that the City not enter into a contract with Consolidated Industries, relative to Fielding Memorial Park. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 3; No, None; Councilman Leahy abstained from voting, carried.

Mr. Jim Dunn of the Duncan Parking Meter Division of the Motor Products Corporation appeared before the Council and presented an agreement whereby his Company would lease parking meters to the City. It was explained that these would be the manually operated type; that the penny insert feature would be deleted; that there would be a 10¢ slot on hour meters with wording over the slot "for convenience only"; that there would be 30 to 45 day delivery; that it would be necessary that some meter posts be moved at a cost of \$2.00 to \$2.50. It was noted that, incorporated in the lease, the City would agree as follows:

- A. To pay to the Company all money from the operation of the meters in excess of \$54,000 per annum until the agreed value is paid.
- B. To deposit with the Company all revenue from the operation of the meters in excess of \$4,500 each month, during the life of this agreement, pending the annual settlement herein after provided for.
- C. At the end of each year of operation until the payment in full of said agreed value, there shall be an accounting between the City and the Company to adjust the revenue received during the preceding year in conformity with paragraph "A" above.

- D. Upon the annual accounting provided for in the paragraph next above, if it shall appear that there is any deficiency in the amount specified to be retained by the City in paragraph "A", the Company shall not be obligated to refund any amounts received by SEPTEMBER 8, 1961

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it to the City, but in lieu thereof, the City may retain the excess over said \$4,500 per month during the succeeding months until said deficiency be fully paid.

- E. For the purpose of this section, the year, for accounting purposes, shall commence thirty (30) days after the installation of the meters shall have been completed.

It was moved by Councilman Creek, seconded by Page, that the City enter into the above described lease agreement, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and that the meters in question be placed on order immediately. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Mr. Jesse E. Bunnell, local Kirby Vacuum cleaner representative, appeared before the Council, asking that he be permitted to install a large non-illuminated sign adjacent to the property located at 170 Maple. He explained that this would set on private property, that the area is now zoned R-3 and that there is a commercial development across the street. The Council tabled any action on the request pending receipt of a plot plan.

The Mayor announced that this was the time and the place for a public zoning hearing on the Hatch Addition Division #1. There were no protests. It was moved by Councilman Foote, seconded by Creek, that this area be zoned as follows:

Lot 1 Block 1	R-2
Lot 1 Block 2	R-2
Lot 2 to 8 Inclusive Block 1	R-1
Lot 2 Block 2	R-1
Lots 1 to 5 Inclusive Block 3	R-1

Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

The Mayor drew attention to the Board of Adjustment minutes of September 6<sup>th</sup>, 1961 and that the Board had made certain recommendations requiring Council action.

First to be considered was the Grant Earl request, as follows:

Mr. Grant Earl, owner of a grocery store located at 424 First Street, introduced himself requesting a change of zone on Lots #29, #30, #31, #32, Block #2, Crows Addition, from R-3 to C2, to provide more off street parking for his store and to eliminate the congested conditions along First Street. He presented a plot and petition signed by all the property owners that is required by Ordinance #852. Mr. Earl just recently moved an old house from the above described property and assured the Board he would black top the area, also the alley in between the store and parking area.

The Board made the motion after Mr. Earl was excused from the Meeting, to allow him to use this property under its present R-3 zoning; the reason was that he had established his required parking area for the store at the time the store was constructed, also that this additional parking would be an asset to the First Street parking conditions. The Board moved and passed that his request be granted without a change of zoning.

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It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Creek, that the Board's recommendation be upheld and that Mr. Earl be permitted to use the additional parking area with no change of zoning, for the reasons as stated. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Next to be considered was the extract of the Board's minutes on the William Melville request as follows:

Lawyer Edward W. Pike, stated he was here representing Mr. and Mrs. William P. Melville, owners of the following described property, requesting a change of zone on Lot #10, Block #4 of the Safstrom Addition, Division #3, from R-1 to R-3, to bring it into conformance with the Zoning Ordinance enacted October 9, 1955.

At present this property is in a non-conforming use which was granted and approved by the Board of Adjustment, August 10, 1955, by an appeal presented by a Mr. Vic Larson, representing Tandy and Wood Realty Co. The action of the Board at that time was to grant a permit to construct a duplex in an R-1 zone. Reason for the Board's action at that time was that a duplex would conform to the adjacent area which was partly developed and had no loan value as a single family residence, being next to the El Rancho Apts.; Senior High School and vacant lots. The motion was made by the Board to grant this appeal for a non-conforming use contingent upon detailed plans being submitted to the Building Inspector. On October 14<sup>th</sup>, 1955, a building permit was issued to Mr. Jim Robbins to construct this duplex, the building contractor was Sheldon Thornley.

July 25, 1961, Mr. Melville applied for a building permit to construct a new outside entry to the existing duplex. After the permit was issued by the Building Department, the Building Inspector found that a third apartment had been built in the basement some time after October 14, 1955, and was using electric power from one of the duplex units. The job was stopped, which brought on the above request for a change of zone by Mr. Melville.

Mr. Jack Lawson of 775 S. Wabash Avenue introduced himself to the Board, stating he was present in protest of a change of zoning being an adjacent property owner to the south of the Melville duplex. A number of pictures were presented by Mr. Lawson and Mr. Pike of the property involved. After much discussion pro and con and questions asked by the Board, these gentlemen were excused by Chairman Stalker who assured

them the Board would check further into the records on file in the Building Department and make a decision later in the Meeting.

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The action of the Board on the Melville request (later in the evening) was that the duplex remain in the R-1 zone in a non-conforming use rather than lowering the zone which would present multiple family units in an area that is already developed into a SEPTEMBER 8, 1961

single family residential district. The Board moved and passed that this request be denied.

(THIS ACTION WAS RESCINDED BY COUNCIL ACTION IN MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 11, 1961 – SEE MINUTES OF THAT DATE. RCB)

Mr. Jack Lawson, 775 S. Wabash Avenue appeared before the Council, protesting the rezoning request. He said that a permit had never been issued on the third unit and that to date it had never been rented for a cash consideration. He pointed out that R-3 zoning would invite further lower zoning in the neighborhood, particularly on the nearby homes without restrictive covenants.

After considerable discussion it was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Foote, that the action of the Board be upheld. Roll call as follows: Leahy, Aye; Foote, Aye; Page, abstained; Creek, abstained; the Mayor, when called upon, voted Aye, carried.

Bills for the month of August, having been properly audited by the Finance Committee, were presented as follows, to-wit:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>GROSS PAYROLL</u>	<u>SERVICES &amp; MATERIALS</u>	<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>
General Fund	\$89,998.18	\$61,980.57	\$151,977.75
Recreation Fund	6,166.51	2,292.63	8,448.14
Fire Fund	21,102.12	2,203.19	23,305.31
Electric Light Fund	20,170.11	55,772.65	75,942.76
Water & Sewer	11,012.59	33,520.23	44,532.82
Police Retirement	<u>1,565.83</u>	<u>.00</u>	<u>1,565.83</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>			\$304,206.78

It was moved by Councilman Foote, seconded by Creek, that the bills be approved for payment and the Controller be authorized to issue warrants on the respective funds for their payment. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Reports for the month of August from Division and Department Heads were presented and, there being no objection, were ordered placed on file in the City Clerk's office.

License application for Soft Drink for Skylark Restaurant, Bartender's Permit for Jay N. Anthony, and Canned and Bottled Beer to be consumed on the premises for Apollo Club (change in

name of license holder only) previously approved by the Police Chief, were presented. It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Foote, that the licenses be approved. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

The following claim for damages was read:

August 30, 1961

Dear Sirs:

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Lewis Wyatt, Tautphaus Park caretaker, requested we write you to inform you that raccoons escaped from the Park and raided the chicken house, killing 16 chickens valued at \$1.25 each. Please inform us as to procedure in collecting said loss.

Thank you,  
s/ Joe Mayeda  
C-21 City

It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Page, that this be referred to the City Insurance Carrier for investigation and recommendation. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

The following memorandum was read:

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Acct. No. 12A-27

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

This letter is written with reference to a proposed water improvement district in the general area north of Anderson Street along the Yellowstone Highway, and east of the Highway along Lincoln Road.

Preliminary plans and cost estimates have been prepared and discussed with some property owners in the area. Rather than attempt any more detailed engineering at this time, we are suggesting a preliminary hearing be held, inviting the property owners involved.

This hearing would serve two purposes. Property owners would be in a position to express their desires relative to water improvements, and the Council would be able to assess the value and need for the improvement and be in a position to declare their intentions relative to such as improvement district.

We are suggesting, therefore, that we be authorized to advise all property owners in the proposed area that a preliminary public hearing will be held for those who wish to be heard.

Respectfully submitted,  
Public Works Division  
s/ Donald F. Lloyd, P.A.  
City Engineer

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It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Creek, that the City Engineer's proposal be approved and that the time of the preliminary public hearing be set for 8:00 P.M. September 20<sup>th</sup>, 1961. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Next to be considered was the following from the City Engineer:

September 8, 1961

Acct. No. 4C-14

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

This letter is written with reference to providing a more suitable area for the salt and sand storage for the Street Department.

At the present time, sand is stored in the shop yard and the salt is stored in a portion of the vehicle shed. In order to utilize the garage yard to maximize capacity, we are suggesting removal of these items to another location.

Please find attached hereto a sketch indicating property owned by the City. Arrangements have been made with Mr. Orland Eddins to exchange Lot 23 for Lot 25, and general agreement has been confirmed in writing.

Should this arrangement be satisfactory, it is proposed that the City would develop these two lots into salt and sand storage. \$150.00 for planking materials will be sufficient to place a timber retaining wall on two sides of this property to contain the sand. For salt storage, we are proposing a 1500 bushel grain bin capacity, and it is estimated that the bin with an auger type loader completely installed on a concrete slab will cost approximately \$1,000.

It is our recommendation that this exchange in property be approved and that authorities be given to the Purchasing Agent to obtain the necessary items to proceed with this installation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Public Works Division  
s/ Donald F. Lloyd, P.E.  
City Engineer

It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Creek, that the Engineer's recommendation be approved in its entirety, for the reasons as stated. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

The City Clerk then read the following:

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Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

This letter is a request to initiate the first phase of adequate records for the City's mechanical equipment.

There exists a real need for keeping concise adequate summary records which will afford the supervisor an opportunity to review the service, repairs, and use of each item of equipment. The mechanical equipment represents a large portion of the City's capital outlay, and this investment can be protected and equipment life extended by the use of adequate records.

We are attaching hereto for your review and approval a suggested form which can be adapted. It is estimated that 2,000 of these forms with an adequate bin-type file and stand with dividers will cost \$262.00.

We are recommending to the Mayor and Council that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to secure these forms and the companion file.

Respectfully submitted,  
Public Works Division  
s/ Donald F. Lloyd, P.E.  
City Engineer

It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Creek, that the recommendation be approved and the Purchasing Agent be so authorized. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

A memorandum was read from the Electrical Engineer to-wit:

September 8, 1961

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

The 44 KV sub-transmission line between the Lower Power Plant and the 15<sup>th</sup> Street sub-station is of inadequate capacity to give proper distribution of electrical power for this coming winter peak load.

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Several weeks ago, the Electric Light Division acquired the proper size conductor and necessary hardware to re-conductor this particular sub-transmission line.

Due to extreme press of business required of our two line crews, we will be unable to re-conductor this line prior to our anticipated winter peak. It is estimated that an outside contractor could do this work for \$3,500.00.

Therefore, I respectfully recommend that the Mayor and Council authorize this Division to prepare specifications for this work and, that one these specifications have been prepared, that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to call for bids.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Harold W. Davis  
City Electrical Engineer

It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Page, that this recommendation be approved and the Purchasing Agent be so authorized for the reasons as stated. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Next to be presented from the Electrical Engineer was the following:

August 4, 1961

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

You are no doubt aware of the need for painting the downtown street lighting standards and certain wood poles used for street lighting in various parts of the City.

In many cases, the property owners have insisted upon the wood poles being painted before they would give necessary easement clearance for the installation of necessary overhead conductors to energize the street lights.

This letter is written regarding only arterial or mercury vapor-type street lighting such as found in the downtown area, First Street east of Holmes Avenue, etc.

In all, there are 278 poles to be painted. Karl T. Homer Distributing Company has given a verbal estimate of \$3,400 for paint and labor to paint all of these structures.

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It is the recommendation of this office that we be authorized to prepare specifications for painting these standards and that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to call for bids per these specifications.

The Central Safety Committee has concurred that it would be a safe situation to allow outside contractors to do this work.

I am attaching a map showing the location of the 278 poles that should be painted.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Harold W. Davis  
City Electrical Engineer

It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Creek, that no action on this matter be taken until the next budget period. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

A memorandum from the Electrical Engineer was read, recommending a particular electric rate schedule to be applied to the Rogers Brothers Company utility bill from July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1961 to August 18<sup>th</sup>, 1961, and another rate from August 18, 1961, to the date their single meter installation is completed. His memorandum stated the reasons for his recommendation and the specific recommended rate can be found in the City Clerk's office. It was moved by Councilman Page, seconded by Leahy, that the rates as recommended be authorized and approved. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Next to be presented from the Electrical Engineer was the following:

September 5, 1961

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

The attached analysis will give you necessary information on electrical supplies which were placed on bid and the bids opened August 14, 1961.

Based upon low bid, delivery time, and material meeting specifications, I am recommending that the Mayor and Council authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue Purchase Orders to the following vendors for the amount listed:

General Electric Supply Company	\$ 3,027.07
Pole Line Distributing Company	2,411.40
Electrical Contractors Supply Company	<u>6,827.06</u>

TOTAL:  
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\$12,265.53

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These supplies are needed principally for the Home Ranch Sub-Division.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Harold W. Davis  
City Electrical Engineer

It was moved by Councilman Creek, seconded by Leahy, that the electrical material be acquired from the suppliers as listed and the Purchasing Agent be authorized to proceed. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

The last memorandum to be read from the Electrical Engineer was read as follows:

September 7, 1961

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council  
City of Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

There is a growing need for a preventative maintenance contract between the City of Idaho Falls and some service shop to maintain the radio communications system in the Electrical Light Division.

Mr. Wells Brady of Well's Radio communications has submitted an estimate of \$100.50 per month for a 90 day preventative maintenance check on eleven (11) mobiles, one (1) base station, and one (1) remote control of the base station. The proposed budget for 1962 will include sufficient money to place the Electric Light Division radio system onto a 90 day preventative maintenance contract.

This memorandum is written to request of the Mayor and Council that, on an entire City basis, we pursue a contract which would cover not only the Electric Light Division but all mobile radio equipment and stationary radio equipment used by the City of Idaho Falls.

To this end, I am recommending that the Mayor and Council authorize an individual or individuals to prepare specifications for a preventative maintenance contract to cover all City radio equipment.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Harold W. Davis  
City Electrical Engineer

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It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Page, that the recommendation of the Electrical Engineer be approved and it be understood that the preventative maintenance contract specifications cover all City owned mobile units. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

A memorandum from the Purchasing Agent was read as follows:

September 1, 1961

Memorandum to Mayor and Council

Subject: Safety Glasses

Gentlemen:

We have received bids from the following concerns: Standard Optical, Western Optical, and Western Dispensing Opticians.

Standard Optical will furnish the City of Idaho Falls safety glasses and frames at Bausch & Lomb wholesale price.

Western Optical Company will furnish us safety glasses and frames at a wholesale price, plus a nominal charge of \$2.00 for the fitting and adjusting of the glasses.

An example for a comparison of price:

“White single vision sphere complete first division.”

Western Dispensing Opticians	\$9.40
Western Optical	7.10
Standard Optical	7.10

This means the complete price from Western Dispensing Opticians is \$9.40, whereas the price of \$7.10 from the other two bidders will be only the frames and lenses with no service or adjustments included. This would be an additional cost to the City or the patient.

These proposals have been checked by one of the competent eye specialists in the City of Idaho Falls and his recommendations, concurred with by the Purchasing Agent, is that the City accept the proposal of Western Dispensing Opticians.

Your attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Boyd P. Wright

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It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Creek, that the Western Dispensing Opticians proposal be accepted for the reasons as stated and it be understood that the employee furnish his own prescription. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

A memorandum was read from the Recreational Director as follows:

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TO: Honorable Mayor W. J. O'Bryant and Members of the City Council  
FROM: Kelvin J. Nelson, Supt. of Parks & Recreation  
SUBJECT: PAINTING OF THE RECREATION CENTER

Many people have commented favorably of the pleasing, clean, and refreshing look of the Recreation Center where it has recently been painted.

However, certain parts of the building where many of the general public are daily calling (both entrances, the old Selective Service Room, the Red Cross Office, the Community Chest Office, the Girl Scout Office, the hallways, and the City Civil Air Patrol Office) are sadly in need of similar repainting.

This Division requests that immediate approval be given to an appropriation for repainting these parts of the Recreation Center. Further consideration is requested for the redecorating and furnishing of two rooms admirably suited for use by community groups.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Kelvin J. Nelson  
Supt. of Parks & Recreation

It was moved by Councilman Creek, seconded by Leahy, that the proposal be temporarily tabled, pending a study as to the possible or potential uses of the Center, said study to be conducted by Councilmen Creek and Leahy and the Engineering Department. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Next to be presented from the Recreational Director was the following:

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TO: Honorable Mayor W. J. O'Bryant and Members of the City Council  
FROM: Kelvin J. Nelson, Superintendent of Parks & Recreation.  
SUBJECT: APPROPRIATION FOR PART-TIME ARTS AND CRAFTS INSTRUCTOR

The summer arts and crafts program which was recently completed was a huge success and well received by the public. Hundreds of people participated. Interest was expressed by a

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large number of people that this program should be continued throughout the fall and winter season.

To meet the needs for arts and crafts instruction that have been expressed, this Department is planning a program of instruction that will include: one evening per week, two classes per evening (one adult class and one youth class).

We request an appropriation that will enable this Department to hire Mr. Norris Smith on a part-time basis in the position of arts and crafts instructor. Total cost of this appropriation is estimated to be \$78 (seventy-eight) for the period beginning October 4 and ending December 27.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Kelvin J. Nelson  
Supt. of Parks & Recreation

It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Page, that his recommendation be approved. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

A memorandum from the Recreational Director was then read pertaining to redesigning and redeveloping Tautphaus Park Zoo, as follows:

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TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
FROM: Kelvin J. Nelson, Superintendent of Parks & Recreation  
SUBJECT: TAUTPHAUS PARK ZOO

Preliminary study and investigation on the part of this Division and insurance officials has indicated the immediate need for careful plans and action in redesigning and redeveloping the Tautphaus Park Zoo. This zoo is a wonderful asset to our community for the following reasons:

1. It is enjoyable.
2. It can be economical.
3. It stimulates business.
4. It is educational.
5. It benefits the handicapped.
6. It provides newsworthy events.

7. It is a cultural asset.

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This Division recommends that community support be developed to interest the general public in the need for redevelopment of this zoo and that a campaign for financial help be stimulated to help finance the cost of zoo redevelopment.

The Zoological Society composed of a group of interested and influential citizens sometimes called "Friends-of-the-Zoo" is a wonderful medium for helping obtain money or exhibits through gifts, grants, donations, bequests or other methods and creating interest in new zoo development and operation.

Design of a zoo involves the work of many operators. Their work must be carefully coordinated and directed toward a threefold objective:

1. The animals must have healthful, appropriate and comfortable housing.
2. Displays must be planned to give the maximum enjoyment to visitors. Naturalistic settings are preferred wherever practical.
3. The arrangement must facilitate efficient and economical operation and maintenance of the entire zoological park.

With these thoughts in mind, I recommend the following preliminary regulations as steps in planning:

1. The character of the collection must be determined, and I suggest that our zoo be limited to seven units.
  - A. Water fowl
  - B. Bear dens
  - C. Bird runs and houses
  - D. Deer and other hoofed stock
  - E. Monkey islands
  - F. Large cats
  - G. Small mammals
2. The number of certain species of animals in the zoo at present should be limited by either sale or trade.
3. Priorities should be established for the redesign and development of each unit.

I feel that a competent, qualified architect should be obtained for the redesign of the zoo, with the objective of redeveloping one unit each year.

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It is further recommended that monies be budgeted annually to accomplish this five to ten year program. To this Division's thinking, the first unit that should be immediately redeveloped is the present cat house. This unit represents to me a thoroughly unsafe and hazardous means of keeping these animals at present. Second in priority should be the present monkey house. This is in unsanitary condition at present.

In conclusion, I feel that the size of the zoo will depend on:

1. The type of a collection
2. The availability of land
3. The source and amount of funds for construction and maintenance.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Kelvin J. Nelson  
Supt. of Parks & Recreation

It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Page, that the foregoing be tabled for study and consideration. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

A memorandum was then read from the Recreation Director requesting the acquisition of a Rotomist sprayer, as follows:

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TO: Honorable Mayor W. J. O'Bryant and Members of the City Council  
FROM: Kelvin J. Nelson, Superintendent of Parks & Recreation  
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ROTOMIST SPRAYER

This Department had recently completed a careful inventory of all the trees within the City Parks.

Total count is 3,142 trees. Many of these trees are in diseased and weakened conditions. We are presently planning a careful evaluation of the economical importance of these trees to the City of Idaho Falls. We believe this figure will amount to a considerable investment, not only financial but from the standpoint of climatic control, soil stabilization, and beauty.

To protect this considerable investment, this Department recommends early consideration and approval of a City wide spraying and sanitation program.

As the first step in this program, approval is requested for the purchase of Rotomist Sprayer at an estimated cost of \$2286.50 (two thousand, two hundred and eighty-six dollars and fifty

cents). This equipment is well rated by many years of excellent service and has a variety of uses that will insure further savings to the people of Idaho Falls. For example, this machine

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is capable of wind rowing leaves at an estimated savings of 600 man hours that would be spent in hand-raking. Further, this machine would be adapted for a program of noxious weed control. The cost of this equipment when contrasted with the present program of spraying would amortize itself within one year.

Local dealer representatives of this equipment have assured this Department that because of our immediate need for this equipment (in dormant spraying and leaf gathering) before the new budget, arrangements can be made for a January invoice if this request is favorably approved.

Please note the enclosed literature for this compact, efficient, self-contained sprayer, Model 51 Rotomist. Note that this unit is easily mounted on the new three quarter ton pickup truck which has already met with approval.

Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Kelvin J. Nelson  
Supt. of Parks & Recreation

It was moved by Councilman Page, seconded by Creek, that this request be tabled until the manufacturer's representative can meet with the Council for further information on the product. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Last to be presented from the Recreational Director was a detailed memorandum classified as a guide for Parks and Recreation. Copies were handed the Mayor and all Councilmen. No action was considered necessary as this was solely for the purpose of depicting goals and objectives which the Recreation Division intends to attain.

Two City redemption tax deeds in the name of Robert F. Johnson & Associates were presented. It was moved by Councilman Foote, seconded by Creek, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

It was noted that, previously, Council action had been taken on approving an American Municipal Association membership in the amount of \$75.00 but that based upon the new census said membership is now \$125.00. It was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Creek, that this expenditure be authorized. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

The Mayor asked and received authorization to announce to the press and to City Employees that the City Building would be closed Monday morning, September 11, 1961, until 1:00 P.M. in honor of Mrs. Ed Fanning. It was noted that her funeral was to be held during that period. The Mayor agreed to write a letter of sympathy and condolence to the Fanning family in behalf of the City.

The City Attorney noted that Mr. Gordon Culver had recently been convicted on a charge of serving beer to a minor and asked Council opinion as to whether or not his beer license should be

revoked. It was moved by Councilman Page, seconded by Leahy, that the City Attorney be authorized to issue an order to show cause as to why his beer license should not be revoked and that

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he should appear in this regard at the Regular Council Meeting, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 1961. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

Councilman Leahy proposed that City Engineer Lloyd be authorized to attend the annual conference of the American Public Works Association to be held September 24<sup>th</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup> in Minneapolis, Minnesota. It was moved by Councilman Page, seconded by Leahy, that this proposal and expenditure be approved. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

The Mayor read a memorandum from the Controller asking authority to hire a secretary, said secretary to be selected in the nature of an advancement from some other department of the City Building. Certain department heads objected to certain facets of the proposal and the Mayor instructed the Controller to work further with any or all department heads in this regard.

The Mayor noted that Tandy & Wood has proposed a program whereby the City would acquire replacement cost insurance and that one or more members from that organization would be meeting soon with the Mayor and Council for further details and a complete explanation of the proposal.

The last memorandum from the City Engineer was read as follows:

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Acct. No. 3D-52

Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your instructions, we have reviewed the request from Mr. B.A. Wackerli to vacate an alley in Block 8 of the West Broadway Addition.

We have found that this alley has never been used or graded, and that there are no utilities existing or contemplated. We can in no way visualize where the closing of this right of way will be detrimental to the City or other property owners.

We are, therefore, recommending to the Mayor and Council that this request be granted and the alley located in Block 8 of the West Broadway Addition be vacated.

Respectfully submitted,  
Public Works Division  
s/ Donald F. Lloyd, P.E.

City Engineer

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It was moved by Councilman Creek, seconded by Page, that the alley in question be vacated and the City Attorney be authorized to prepare a vacating ordinance and deed accordingly. Roll call as follows: Ayes, 4; No, None; carried.

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Leahy, seconded by Page, that the Council adjourn. Carried.

ATTEST: s/ Roy C. Barnes  
CITY CLERK

s/ W. J. O'Bryant  
MAYOR

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