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The City Council of the City of Idaho Falls met in Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, January 10, 2002, in the Council Chambers at 140 South Capital Avenue in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

There were present:

Mayor Linda Milam
Councilmember Joe Groberg
Councilmember Bruce Rose
Councilmember Mary Klingler
Councilmember Ida Hardcastle
Councilmember Brad Eldredge
Councilmember Mike Lehto

Also present:

Dale Storer, City Attorney
Rosemarie Anderson, City Clerk
All available Division Directors

Mayor Milam presented her "State of the City Address – 2002", as follows:

I am pleased and proud to once again speak to you about the State of the City of Idaho Falls. We are a progressive and prosperous community, with citizens who work hard, care about their families and their community, and who make this a wonderful place to live. I know the Councilmembers join me in expressing their gratitude for the opportunity to serve as its elected officials.

Again this year, I want to thank the many volunteers who give their time and resources to make our community even better. Particularly, I would like to thank the citizens who serve on the City's boards and commissions. With no reward other than our gratitude, and with a steadfast commitment to their tasks, their work produces great results.

While we are mindful of the many problems facing our nation and state, we continue to see the results of the hard work of our citizens, businesses and economic development organizations. During 2001, the City issued building permits for over \$72 million dollars in new construction and remodels of existing structures, an increase of over \$20 million from the previous year. Recent announcements of two large construction projects will account for approximately \$100 million in construction over the next three years. These projects are especially meaningful because they will result in a stronger agricultural environment in our region, for barley, of course, but also for those who produce wheat and potatoes. So, the announcements by Anheuser Busch and Grupo Modelo will have multiple effects on Idaho Falls. Our tax base will increase, which will surely result, over time, in a lower levy rate for everyone; our retail, medical, and other businesses will benefit from the assured sale of crops at fair prices; and agricultural ground will stay in production, which will help to preserve farm lands.

We continue to see growth in computer-related industries as well. The Eastern Idaho Forum on Information Technology, an organization of the Eastern Idaho Economic Development Council, has received national recognition. A new

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emphasis on information security coincides with national needs. And, the City of Idaho Falls' plans to provide the infrastructure to meet this industry need is being encouraged by many local companies. This, combined with the work on the Technology Corridor and the growth of the higher education facilities in Idaho Falls and the region, is important for our future.

Much of this is possible because of the foresight of this community's leaders over decades of development of our infrastructure and its' capacity, its' ability to meet increasing regulations, and its' very reasonable cost. This Council and I will do all in our power to meet the needs of our current and new businesses.

Our work to renovate the Airport will be completed this year. While the airline industry has been greatly affected by the events of this past September, in Idaho Falls boardings have rebounded nearly to normal. While airlines have reduced many of their regular flight schedules across the nation, Horizon and Skywest continue to provide 15 flights per day out of Idaho Falls, with two direct flights to Seattle, and plans still under discussion for service to another hub. Idaho Falls continues to be one of the two self-supporting commercial airports in Idaho.

Idaho Falls, the City of Ammon, and Bonneville County have each included funding for Sunnyside Road improvements in this year's budgets, so we hope to see bids awarded to begin that long-awaited project. Meanwhile, we continue to improve local streets each year. Last summer, in addition to a number of residential streets, we completed improvements to Pancheri Drive west of Skyline, and rebuilt the Skyline/Pancheri intersection to better handle traffic and storm water. Upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant continue. We have the capacity to meet the needs of the newly announced barley operations as well as growth in residential and commercial construction for some years ahead.

Idaho Falls Power continues to work toward acquisition of additional, but reasonable, generating resources. While we reluctantly raised our rates last summer, to reflect the price of power from our major supplier, Bonneville Power Administration, the outlook is good that rates will not need to be raised again, and in fact, we hope to be able to consider reductions as BPA projects the possibility of reducing their price to us during the next year. The community took energy conservation to heart, resulting in savings in excess of the 10% we hoped for early in the summer. Many people took advantage of the coupons we distributed to purchase energy efficient lighting, and many also purchased energy efficient appliances with our no-interest loan program.

One of the largest and most important obligations of the City is public safety. I am pleased to say that crime rates in Idaho Falls continue to fall. Reflecting, and in fact exceeding national trends, during the 1995 through 2000 period, rates dropped about 25%. Last year, they dropped another 17%. And, arrests are up, which means there is less crime and we are catching more of the bad guys, and closing more of the cases that do occur. Finally, perhaps most important, juvenile crime rates are down significantly. For example, in 1997, 47% of arrests were of youths. Last year, that number dropped in real terms from 1550 to 1300, and in percentage as well, to 29%. This is a result of many factors, but the work we do cooperatively with the Bonneville Youth

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Development Council, neighborhood police assignments, a growing group of active volunteers, school resource officers, and other efforts, have produced a major benefit to all of those, most of all to our young people who have avoided getting into the kind of trouble that would stay with them the rest of their lives.

Fire calls are also down. We continue with our emphasis on fire prevention, and added an additional person to that important task this past fall. Fires avoided are hard to estimate, of course, but they are real none-the-less. Ambulance calls continue to increase, to nearly 6600 last year. Our well-trained paramedics and EMT's provide a great service to our community.

Our Fire Department and the Idaho Falls Public Library each provide service to county residents under contracts with the Fire and Library Districts. Each organization is challenged to determine ways to establish reimbursement rates that reflect the cost of providing that service, and each will be facing that challenge this year. I hope that each district will recognize the value of the service to their patrons and the need to provide a reimbursement that allows the City to continue to provide that service.

A committee of citizens has been working to develop plans for a new recreation/community center to replace the old armory on Memorial Drive that has provided us with limited, but valuable, recreational program space. We have been promised the land and a cap on infrastructure costs, a potential savings of more than a \$1 million on the project. We are working to determine financing options, but I hope that we all recognize that facilities for the good guys, adults and young people alike, will be an important addition to our community. We continue to work towards meeting the wants and needs of our community for recreation and green space.

All in all, I believe 2002 will be a good year for Idaho Falls. We have all the ingredients, we have the interest, we are fiscally sound...we can do great things together.

This is a wonderful city. We have incredible human and natural resources. The Councilmembers and I consider it a great privilege to serve the citizens of Idaho Falls. We appreciate your confidence and support. Thank you.

Mayor Milam and Councilmembers honored the following employees with Years of Service Pins:

35 Years of Service:

Bruce Jones, Police Department June 27, 1966

25 Years of Service:

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|---|-----------------|
| Charles Decker, Police Division | March 1, 1976 |
| Ed Farrer, Parks and Recreation Division | April 19, 1976 |
| Leroy Erickson, Fire Division | April 25, 1976 |
| Monty Jacobsen, Fire Division | April 25, 1976 |
| Richard Fowler, Fire Division | April 25, 1976 |
| Allen Campbell, Public Works Division/Sewer | October 9, 1976 |

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25 Years of Service, continued:

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| Rick David, Public Works Division/Sanitation | November 29, 1976 |
| Kevin Davies, Idaho Falls Power Division | August 9, 1976 |

20 Years of Service:

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| Natalie Ashcroft, Public Works Division/Sewer | June 25, 1981 |
| Kip Leavitt, Public Works Division/Sanitation | April 21, 1981 |
| Ken Miller, Public Works Division/Street | February 8, 1981 |
| Van Ashton, Idaho Falls Power Division | September 8, 1981 |
| Mike Lewis, Idaho Falls Power Division | June 1, 1981 |
| Terry Dawson, Municipal Services Division/Data Processing | August 10, 1981 |
| Bob Marshall, Municipal Services Division/Finance | December 28, 1981 |
| Gloria Welker, Municipal Services Division/Treasurer | May 28, 1981 |
| Joseph Dutton, Police Division | February 23, 1981 |
| Jeffrey Pratt, Police Division | December 7, 1981 |
| Jonathan Walker, Fire Division | October 12, 1981 |

Mayor Milam and Councilmembers honored Councilmember Mary Klingler by presenting her with her photograph, nameplate, and Council notebook. Councilmember Klingler took the opportunity to express her appreciation for the support given her through her years of service to the community.

At this time, Swearing-In Ceremonies were conducted for the Mayor-Elect and Councilmembers-Elect as follows: The City Clerk administered the Official Oath of Office to Mayor Linda Milam; and, Mayor Milam administered the Official Oaths of Office to Council Seat No. 2 - Councilmember-Elect Joe Groberg, Council Seat No. 4 - Councilmember-Elect Ida Hardcastle, and Council Seat No. 6 - Councilmember-Elect Bill Shurtleff. After Mayor Milam and Councilmembers Groberg, Hardcastle, and Shurtleff signed their Official Oaths of Office, each was presented with their Certificate of Election.

Councilmember Shurtleff took his seat at the Council Table at this time.

Mayor Milam called for nominations for President of the Council. Councilmember Eldredge nominated Councilmember Ida Hardcastle to act as President of the Council for the coming year. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Rose, that Councilmember Hardcastle serve as President for the Council. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Rose
 Councilmember Eldredge
 Councilmember Lehto
 Councilmember Shurtleff
 Councilmember Hardcastle
 Councilmember Groberg

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

Mayor Milam announced the Council Committee Assignments for 2002, as follows:

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COUNCIL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2002

Airport Division:

Ida Hardcastle, Chairman
Brad Eldredge, Co-Chairman

Electric Division:

Mike Lehto, Chairman
Bill Shurtleff, Co-Chairman

Municipal Services Division:

Brad Eldredge, Chairman
Joe Groberg, Co-Chairman

Parks and Recreation Division:

Ida Hardcastle, Chairman
Brad Eldredge, Co-Chairman

Planning, Zoning, and Building Division:

Bruce Rose, Chairman
Ida Hardcastle, Co-Chairman

Public Safety:

Joe Groberg, Chairman
Mike Lehto, Co-Chairman

Public Works Division:

Bill Shurtleff, Chairman
Bruce Rose, Co-Chairman

Library Liaison:

Bruce Rose

Mayor Milam requested City Council's affirmation of the re-appointment of the City's Division Directors (Airport Division – Michael Humberd; Electric Division – Mark Gendron; Fire Division – Chief Bob Drake; Municipal Services Division – S. Craig Lords; Parks and Recreation Division – Dave Christiansen; Planning and Building Division - Renée R. Magee; Police Division – Chief J. Kent Livsey; Public Works Division – Chad Stanger). It was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to affirm the re-appointments of the City's Division Directors as presented. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Eldredge
Councilmember Lehto
Councilmember Rose
Councilmember Groberg
Councilmember Shurtleff
Councilmember Hardcastle

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

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Mayor Milam requested Council affirmation for the re-appointment of City Attorney Dale Storer, City Treasurer Craig Rockwood, and City Clerk Rosemarie Anderson. It was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, that these re-appointments be approved. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Lehto
Councilmember Rose
Councilmember Groberg
Councilmember Shurtleff
Councilmember Hardcastle
Councilmember Eldredge

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

Following a brief recess, the City Clerk read a summary of the minutes for the December 20, 2001 Special Council Meeting. It was moved by Councilmember Lehto, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, that the minutes be approved as printed. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Hardcastle
Councilmember Eldredge
Councilmember Lehto
Councilmember Groberg
Councilmember Rose

Nay: None

Abstain: Councilmember Shurtleff

Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Milam requested Council confirmation for the appointment of Bruce Siqueiros to serve on the Plumbing Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2004); the appointment of Ron Summers to serve on the Plumbing Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2004); the reappointment of Allen Barlow to serve on the Plumbing Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2003); the appointment of Bob Livesay to serve on the Plumbing Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2003); the reappointment of Darwin Mathews to serve on the Plumbing Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2002); the reappointment of George Smith to serve on the Mechanical Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2004); the reappointment of Colvin Jergins to serve on the Mechanical Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2004); the reappointment of Brent Conan to serve on the Mechanical Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2003); the appointment of Mark Kent to serve on the Mechanical Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2003); and, the appointment of Max Mora to serve on the Mechanical Code Board of Appeals (Term to expire on December 31, 2002).

The City Clerk presented monthly reports from various Division and Department Heads and requested that they be accepted and placed on file in the City Clerk's Office.

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The City Clerk presented several license applications, including BARTENDER PERMITS to Kathy S. Cox, Julie A. Denison, Dina L. Elverud, Spring A. Flagler, Michael V. McDonald, Wanda J. Walton, and Brian V. Twining, all carrying the required approvals, and requested authorization to issue these licenses.

It was moved by Councilmember Lehto, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, that the Consent Agenda be approved in accordance with the recommendations presented. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Groberg
 Councilmember Rose
 Councilmember Shurtleff
 Councilmember Hardcastle
 Councilmember Eldredge
 Councilmember Lehto

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

The City Clerk presented the following Expenditure Summary dated December 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001, after having been audited by the Fiscal Committee and paid by the Controller:

| FUND | TOTAL EXPENDITURE |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| General Fund | \$388,552.63 |
| Street Fund | 89,672.96 |
| Recreation Fund | 14,972.91 |
| Library Fund | 28,874.34 |
| Municipal Equipment Replacement Fund | 38,301.50 |
| Electric Light Public Purpose Fund | 71,811.50 |
| Municipal Capital Improvement Fund | 11,689.24 |
| Street Capital Improvement Fund | 8,300.00 |
| Water Capital Improvement Fund | 156,541.10 |
| Airport Fund | 752,714.88 |
| Water and Sewer Fund | 355,554.20 |
| Sanitation Fund | 7,880.85 |
| Ambulance Fund | 37,745.58 |
| Electric Light Fund | 4,292,661.79 |
| Payroll Liability Fund | 1,685,236.38 |
| TOTALS | \$7,940,509.86 |

It was moved by Councilmember Lehto, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to ratify the payment of Check No. 22587 in the amount of \$973.61 made payable to the American Red Cross. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Eldredge
 Councilmember Lehto
 Councilmember Shurtleff
 Councilmember Hardcastle
 Councilmember Groberg

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Nay: None

Abstain: Councilmember Rose (As he is employed by the Red Cross)

Motion Carried.

It was moved by Councilmember Lehto, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to ratify the payment of the remainder of the expenditures for the month of December, 2001. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Eldredge
Councilmember Lehto
Councilmember Rose
Councilmember Groberg
Councilmember Shurtleff
Councilmember Hardcastle

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

The Airport Director submitted the following memo:

City of Idaho Falls
November 29, 2001

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Mike Humberd, Director of Aviation
SUBJECT: CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 – TERMINAL RENOVATION PROJECT

Attached for City Council approval is Change Order No. 2 for the Terminal Renovation Project in the amount of \$5,436.00. This Change Order is a consolidation of the 16 changes or credits. There are funds in the budget for this change.

The Airport Division recommends approval of this change and requests the Mayor execute the documents.

s/ Mike Humberd

Councilmember Groberg explained that the September 11th attacks caused havoc in planning any air terminal, especially one like the City of Idaho Falls has where a person was able to drive right to the front door and walk right in. He also called the attention of the Council to the excellent Letter to the Editor in the Post Register regarding what a great air terminal the City of Idaho Falls operates. It was moved by Councilmember Groberg, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to approve Change Order No. 2 to Ormond Builders, Inc. for the Airport Terminal Renovation Project and, further, give authorization for the Mayor to execute the necessary documents. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Groberg
Councilmember Rose

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Councilmember Shurtleff
Councilmember Hardcastle
Councilmember Eldredge
Councilmember Lehto

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

The Municipal Services Director submitted the following memo:

City of Idaho Falls
January 3, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: S. Craig Lords, Municipal Services Director
SUBJECT: BID IF-02-06, MOTOR FUEL AND LUBRICANTS

Attached for your consideration is the tabulation for Bid IF-02-06, Motor Fuels, Lubricants and Services and the fuel obtained through a computerized fuel dispensing system beginning March 1, 2002.

It is the recommendation of Municipal Services that all bids be accepted and awarded as follows:

Section I:

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| Group A: | Fuel Picked Up By City Truck Unleaded Gas, Cold Weather Additive and Diesel No. 1 and No. 2 | Conrad and Bischoff |
| Group C: | Motor Oil/Refined (Alternate Bid) | Wright Oil Company |

Section II:

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| Services and Fuel obtained through a Computerized Fuel Dispensing System Unleaded Gas, Cold Weather Additive and Diesel No. 1 and No. 2 | Wright Oil Company |
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s/ S. Craig Lords

It was moved by Councilmember Lehto, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to accept all bids under Section I and Section II as presented. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Shurtleff
Councilmember Hardcastle
Councilmember Rose
Councilmember Eldredge
Councilmember Lehto
Councilmember Groberg

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Nay: None

Motion Carried.

The Parks and Recreation Director submitted the following memo:

City of Idaho Falls
January 8, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: David J. Christiansen, Parks and Recreation Director
SUBJECT: SAND CREEK GOLF COURSE LEASE AND CONCESSION AGREEMENT

Attached for your consideration is a Lease and Concession Agreement between the City of Idaho Falls and Service Vending of Idaho, Inc. The lease will provide for concession operations for the Sand Creek Golf Course. The term of the lease is for one year terminating December 31, 2002. The City Attorney has drafted and reviewed the Agreement. It is therefore submitted for your approval.

s/ David J. Christiansen

It was moved by Councilmember Hardcastle, seconded by Councilmember Rose, to approve the Lease and Concession Agreement with Service Vending of Idaho, Inc. for the Sand Creek Golf Course Café and, further, give authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Rose
Councilmember Eldredge
Councilmember Lehto
Councilmember Shurtleff
Councilmember Hardcastle
Councilmember Groberg

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

The Police Chief submitted the following memo:

City of Idaho Falls
January 8, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor Milam and City Councilmembers
FROM: J. K. Livsey, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO BEER LICENSING ORDINANCE

I respectfully request that the attached proposed Ordinance Amending the Beer Licensing Chapter by adding an additional section to Chapter 3 of Title 4 of the

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City Code be heard at the City Council Meeting of January 10, 2002. This Ordinance adds a section providing for expiration of beer licenses at the end of each calendar year.

Thank you for your consideration.

s/ J. K. Livsey

At the request of Councilmember Hardcastle, the City Attorney read the following Ordinance by title:

ORDINANCE NO. 2438

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS,
IDAHO, AMENDING CHAPTER 3, TITLE 4 OF THE
CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO;
RELATING TO LICENSING OF BEER VENDORS;
PROVIDING FOR EXPIRATION OF LICENSE;
ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The foregoing Ordinance was presented by title only. Councilmember Hardcastle moved, and Councilmember Eldredge seconded, that the provisions of Idaho Code Section 50-902 requiring all Ordinances to be read by title, and once in full, on three separate dates be dispensed with, the Ordinance be passed on all three readings, and, further, give authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the necessary documents. Roll call as follows:

Aye: Councilmember Lehto
 Councilmember Eldredge
 Councilmember Hardcastle
 Councilmember Groberg
 Councilmember Rose
 Councilmember Shurtleff

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

Mayor Milam extended her appreciation to the Division Directors and all other appointed officials. She also thanked Sam Sakaguchi, former Councilmember, for attending. She thanked Mary Klingler for her service over the last two years. Councilmember Hardcastle concurred.

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Groberg, that the meeting adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR
