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The City Council of the City of Idaho Falls met in Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, March 28, 1996, in the Council Chambers at 140 South Capital Avenue in Idaho Falls, Idaho. There were present: Mayor Linda Milam; Councilmembers Larry Carlson, Melvin Erickson, Ida Hardcastle, Brad Eldredge, and Beverly Branson. Absent was: Councilmember Gary Mills. Also present were: Rosemarie Anderson, City Clerk; Dale Storer, City Attorney; and all available Division Directors.

Mayor Milam requested Boy Scout Brian Butikofer come forward and lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Milam and Councilmembers honored City Retiree Donnie Ray Hudson for his years of service to the City by presenting him with a gold watch.

The City Clerk read a summary of the minutes for the March 14, 1996, Regular Meeting. It was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, that the minutes be approved as read. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Erickson, Branson, Hardcastle, Eldredge, and Carlson; No, none; Motion Carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Mayor Milam requested Council confirmation of the Re-appointments of Gerry Merrill to serve a four-year term and Gary Thinnes to serve a five-year term on the Fire Code Appeals Board.

The City Clerk presented several license applications, including a BEER LICENSE to Diamond Concessions; LIQUOR CATERING PERMIT to Sneekers; and BARTENDER PERMITS to Jerry A. Campbell, Steve D. Esplin, Lisa Flora, Thomas B. Lints, and Gregory B. Murphy, all carrying the required approvals, and requested authorization to issue these licenses.

The Public Works Director submitted the following memo:

City of Idaho Falls  
March 26, 1996

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Chad Stanger, Public Works Director  
SUBJECT: BID AUTHORIZATION - ASPHALT OVERLAY AND SEAL COAT OF STREETS, 1996

Public Works requests authorization to advertise to receive bids for the 1996 Asphalt Overlay and Seal Coat of Streets, 1996.

s/ Chad Stanger

Councilmember Erickson requested the Public Works Director to come forward and identify the streets covered under these projects for the 1996 year. The Public Works Director explained that the Seal Coat Project covers the Overlay Projects from last year, with the Asphalt Overlay Project covering 17th Street, from Hoopes Avenue to Ponderosa Drive; F Street, between Yellowstone Avenue and Memorial Drive; North Holmes Avenue, from First Street to Yellowstone Avenue.

Councilmember Eldredge questioned whether Science Center Drive would be on the list for this year, particularly the land exchange area between the University of Idaho and the City. The Public Works Director stated that this would not be in this year's list.

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The City Attorney updated the Mayor and City Council with regard to the land exchange between the University of Idaho and the City of Idaho Falls. He had a discussion with the State in which they stated that they have begun the process for the exchange. Mr. Storer indicated that he had received notification from the Department of Energy in which they have agreed to eliminate several of the encumbrances being struggled with in order to complete this land exchange.

It was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, that the Consent Agenda be approved in accordance with the recommendations presented. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Eldredge, Carlson, Erickson, Branson and Hardcastle; No, none; Motion Carried.

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:**

Mayor Milam declared open a public hearing to consider any objections to the award of the Contract for the Airport Terminal Apron Construction Project. She further indicated that the second low bidder to this project has withdrawn his objection. As there was no one present to object to the award of this bid, no further action was necessary.

The Electric Division Director submitted the following memos:

City of Idaho Falls  
March 25, 1996

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers  
FROM: Mark Gendron, Electric Division Director  
SUBJECT: GEM STATE MITIGATION

The Electric Division and Consulting Engineer, CH2M Hill, have evaluated bids received for mitigation modifications at the Gem State Project. Attached is the bid tabulation and letter of recommendation from CH2M Hill.

It is respectfully requested that award be made to the low bidder, Angle and Associates, for \$353,100.00 and that the Mayor be authorized to execute the Contract.

s/ Mark Gendron

Councilmember Eldredge stated that project clears up and ends most of the mitigation work being done with the Gem State Hydroelectric Project. It was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Hardcastle, to accept the low bid of Angle and Associates to complete the Gem State Mitigation Project and, further, give authorization for the Mayor to execute the necessary documents. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Carlson, Erickson, Hardcastle, Eldredge, and Branson; No, none; Motion Carried.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers  
FROM: Mark Gendron, Electric Division Director  
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION

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Attached for Council consideration is a Resolution relating to retail rates. The Resolution is self-explanatory.

The Electric Division recommends Council approval of this Resolution and authorization for the Mayor to sign.

s/ Mark Gendron

At the request of Councilmember Eldredge, the City Clerk read the following Resolution:

**R E S O L U T I O N (Resolution No. 1996-03)**

WHEREAS, the City of Idaho Falls operates an electric utility owned and controlled by the residents of the City;

WHEREAS, the City is a preference wholesale power customer of Bonneville Power Administration;

WHEREAS, the City incurred a wholesale rate increase from BPA of 4% effective October 1, 1995;

WHEREAS, the City wishes to maintain low and stable rates for all its electric customers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Idaho Falls has offset BPA's increase through increased energy production and a reduction in costs, and concludes that an increase in retail rates is not necessary during this fiscal year.

Dated: March 28, 1996

s/ Linda Milam  
Mayor

After a further explanation for this Resolution, it was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to approve the Resolution and, further, give authorization for the Mayor to sign this document. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Hardcastle, Branson, Eldredge, Carlson, and Erickson; No, none; Motion Carried.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers  
FROM: Mark Gendron, Electric Division Director  
SUBJECT: UTAH ASSOCIATED MUNICIPAL POWER SYSTEMS

The City has recently been invited to apply for membership in the Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems (UAMPS), a joint action agency and political subdivision of the State of Utah. UAMPS members are primarily municipalities, and the benefits of membership include the opportunity, but not the obligation, to participate in numerous power supply, transmission, and member services projects.

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The Electric Division respectfully requests the Council authorize the Mayor to make formal application for membership with UAMPS, and that the Division Director be authorized to negotiate certain power supply transactions with UAMPS, subject to further review and approval of the City Council.

s/ Mark Gendron

It was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to authorize the Mayor to make formal application for membership to Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems (UAMPS) and, further, that the Division Director be authorized to negotiate with UAMPS for these power supply transactions. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Erickson, Branson, Hardcastle, Eldredge, and Carlson; No, none; Motion Carried.

The Municipal Services Director submitted the following memos:

City of Idaho Falls  
March 25, 1996

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
FROM: S. Craig Lords, Municipal Services Director  
SUBJECT: SOUTH EAST IDAHO PRACTICAL SHOOTERS (SEIPS)

Attached for your consideration is a proposed Lease Agreement between the City of Idaho Falls and SEIPS for 40 acres of City-owned property located west of Idaho Falls on Cinder Butte Road. Municipal Services does not anticipate that the property will be needed for public purposes during the term of this Agreement. This Agreement has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney.

It is respectfully requested that Council approve said Lease Agreement and authorize the Mayor to execute the documents.

s/ S. Craig Lords

After a brief discussion regarding the location of this property, it was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to approve the Lease Agreement with South East Idaho Practical Shooters (SEIPS) and, further, give authorization for the Mayor to execute the documents. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Eldredge, Carlson, Erickson, Branson, and Hardcastle; No, none; Motion Carried.

City of Idaho Falls  
March 22, 1996

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
FROM: S. Craig Lords, Municipal Services Director  
SUBJECT: BID IF-96-18, DISTRIBUTION TRANSFORMERS

Attached for your consideration is the tabulation for Bid IF-96-18, Distribution Transformers for the Electric Division.

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It is the recommendation of the Municipal Services Division to accept the lowest evaluated bid meeting specifications (including Alternate) per Attachment "A". However, Items No. 14, No. 15, and No. 36 are the exceptions, in which we recommend award to the lowest bidder meeting our delivery requirements. The bidders meeting this requirement are also listed on Attachment "A".

s/ S. Craig Lords

It was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to accept the lowest evaluated bid meeting specifications (including Alternate) per Attachment "A" and, further, for Items No. 14, No. 15, and No. 36, to accept the lowest bid meeting the City's delivery requirements. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Erickson, Carlson, Branson, Hardcastle, and Eldredge; No, none; Motion Carried.

City of Idaho Falls  
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
FROM: S. Craig Lords, Municipal Services Director  
SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF HOT AND COLD ASPHALT

The State of Idaho recently awarded the contract for Bituminous (Asphalt) Plant Mix for 1996 to Beco Construction Company for AC Grade and H-K Contractors, Inc. for MC or SC. Municipal Services respectfully requests authorization to purchase the City's requirements for aforementioned product per State Contract No. 56-K441y-01-1 (Bid No. 96-0878-AW).

s/ S. Craig Lords

It was moved by Councilmember Eldredge, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to purchase the City's requirement of Bituminous (Asphalt) Plant Mix for 1996 through the State of Idaho Contract as requested. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Carlson, Erickson, Hardcastle, Eldredge, and Branson; No, none; Motion Carried.

The Parks and Recreation Director submitted the following memo:

City of Idaho Falls  
March 22, 1996

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
FROM: David Christiansen, Parks and Recreation Director  
SUBJECT: PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION MASTER PLAN

The Parks and Recreation Division respectfully requests the Mayor and City Council approve the Parks and Recreation Master Plan as per attached. This plan has been drafted by our Division using the information gathered from

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various user groups, citizen listening posts, and a community-based survey, and will be used as a guide for the Division's future development.

s/ David Christiansen

Councilmember Erickson stated that this process started a little over two years ago. This plan is necessary for the City of Idaho Falls to continue being the top Parks and Recreation Division in the State. He further stated that he is very proud to bring this Master Plan to the Mayor and City Council for a vote this evening. Councilmember Erickson explained that the citizen listening posts were very important to the development of this Plan. Councilmember Erickson requested the Parks and Recreation Director to come forward and further explain how this plan was developed and how it will be used in the future.

Dave Christiansen, Parks and Recreation Director, appeared to explain that the community participation was outstanding. He explained that 2,000 surveys were mailed to citizens of the City, with a return of forty-five percent (45%) of those to the Parks and Recreation Division. This was a determining factor in the direction of the Master Plan. Mr. Christiansen thanked Renee Magee, Assistant Director for the Planning and Building Division, the ISU Research Center, and his staff members for the integral part they played in completing this Master Plan.

Councilmember Branson commended the Parks and Recreation Director and his staff for the fine job that they have done in completing this Parks and Recreation Division Master Plan. She further stated that alternative funding sources will have to be found.

Councilmember Erickson stated that this Plan is a guide line for future development of parks, etc. Further, funding is an important issue and is a timely issue now. As Mayor Milam has begun the implementation of the Capital Improvement Fund, this plan ties in nicely to be able to establish priorities and move forward with the Master Plan.

Councilmember Carlson questioned as to why a deficit is being carried for the golf courses. The Parks and Recreation Division Director stated that the deficit is in direct relation to the opening of Sage Lakes Golf Course. It was anticipated that this golf course would not break even for the first few years. The Golf Advisory Board and the Council Committee have reviewed the difference between costs and golf revenue. If an adjustment needs to be made to the fee schedules to accommodate the cost of running the golf courses, they will be adjusted.

Councilmember Erickson stated that the weather has been an important factor in the rounds of golf being played. The deficit should be minimized with more rounds of golf played.

Mayor Milam explained the costs and revenue for the three courses individually, with Pinecrest and Sand Creek coming out ahead of the game. The Mayor, Council, and Parks and Recreation Division anticipated less play at the Sage Lakes Golf Course as it is a new course. The numbers for Sage Lakes Golf Course will pick up over the next few years as people become more accustomed to it.

It was moved by Councilmember Erickson, seconded by Councilmember Hardcastle, to accept the Parks and Recreation Division Master Plan as presented. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Carlson, Erickson, Hardcastle, Eldredge, and Branson; No, none; Motion Carried.

Mayor Milam commented that this was one of her pet projects. She felt that this needed to be done. Further, she thanked the Parks and Recreation Director, along with his staff, for a job well done.

Mayor Milam stated that the memo from the Planning and Building Director regarding an appeal from a decision of the Planning Commission for a large lot development called Sunnyside Business Park to be rezoned, has been withdrawn by the Requester.

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The Planning and Building Director submitted the following memo:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Rod Gilchrist, Planning and Building Director  
SUBJECT: FINAL PLAT - ROSE NIELSEN ADDITION, DIVISION NO. 102

Attached is a copy of the Final Plat of the replat of Lot 1, Block 108, Rose Nielsen Addition, Division No. 102. This property was originally platted as one large lot. It is currently within the City and zoned R-3A. This matter was recently considered by the Planning Commission. At that time, they recommended approval of the replat. This matter is now being submitted to the Mayor and City Council for consideration.

s/ Rod Gilchrist

The Planning and Building Director located the subject area on a map and further explained the request.

It was moved by Councilmember Branson, seconded by Councilmember Carlson, to accept the Final Plat for Rose Nielsen Addition, Division No. 102 as presented and, further, give authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Final Plat. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Eldredge, Carlson, Erickson, Branson, and Hardcastle; No, none; Motion Carried.

The Police Chief submitted the following memo:

City of Idaho Falls  
March 21, 1996

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor Milam and City Councilmembers  
FROM: J. Kent Livsey, Police Chief  
SUBJECT: NON-COMMERCIAL KENNEL LICENSE

Attached is an application for a Non-Commercial Kennel License submitted by Mr. Richard Brown, 627 Neptune.

The Animal Control Department conducted the required survey of neighbors of Mr. Brown that live within one hundred feet (100') of his property. The survey revealed that Mr. Brown has not received the required seventy-five percent (75%) approval from his neighbors. Therefore, it is recommended that this license not be issued.

s/ J. Kent Livsey

It was moved by Councilmember Hardcastle, seconded by Councilmember Branson, to deny the Non-Commercial Kennel License to Mr. Richard Brown. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Erickson, Carlson, Branson, Hardcastle, and Eldredge; No, none; Motion Carried.

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The Public Works Director submitted the following memos:

City of Idaho Falls  
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Chad Stanger, Public Works Director  
SUBJECT: CH2M HILL ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT, TASK  
ORDER NO. 2 (AMENDMENT)

Attached is a proposed amendment to Task Order No. 2 of the CH2M Hill Engineering Services Agreement. The City asked CH2M Hill to perform additional work in analyzing alternatives for storm water and sanitary sewer flow separation in the downtown business area at a cost of \$1,775.00.

Public Works recommends approval of this amendment to Task Order No. 2; and, authorization for the Mayor to sign the documents.

s/ Chad Stanger

It was moved by Councilmember Erickson, seconded by Councilmember Eldredge, to accept Task Order No. 2 (Amendment) as presented. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Carlson, Erickson, Hardcastle, Eldredge, and Branson; No, none; Motion Carried.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Chad Stanger, Public Works Director  
SUBJECT: BID AWARD - EAGLE ROCK CROSSING PARKING LOT

Attached is a bid tabulation, representing the results of the bid opening for the Eagle Rock Crossing Parking Lot.

Public Works recommends award of this project to the low bid provided by Ferguson 4-T Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$12,163.00; and, authorization for the Mayor to sign the Contract Documents.

s/ Chad Stanger

It was moved by Councilmember Erickson, seconded by Councilmember Eldredge, to accept the low bid of Ferguson 4-T Construction, Inc. to complete the Eagle Rock Crossing Parking Lot Project. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Hardcastle, Branson, Eldredge, Carlson, and Erickson; No, none; Motion Carried.

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City of Idaho Falls  
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Chad Stanger, Public Works Director  
SUBJECT: BID AWARD - LIFT STATIONS, 1996

On March 19, 1996, bids were received and opened for Lift Stations, 1996. The Engineer's Estimate for this project was \$247,990.00.

Public Works recommends award of this project to the sole bidder, H-K Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$278,569.00; and, authorization for the Mayor to sign the Contract Documents.

s/ Chad Stanger

Councilmember Erickson stated that the following Lift Stations were included in this project: Belmont Lift Station in the Rose Nielsen Addition area, Fred Meyer's, and the West Ridge Lift Station off of West Broadway. It was moved by Councilmember Erickson, seconded by Councilmember Eldredge, to accept the sole bid of H-K Contractors, Inc. for the Lift Stations, 1996 Project. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmembers Erickson, Branson, Hardcastle, Eldredge, and Carlson; No, none; Motion Carried.

Mayor Milam thanked the Boy Scouts for being present this evening.

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilmember Carlson, seconded by Councilmember Eldredge, that the meeting adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

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CITY CLERK

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MAYOR

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