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The City Council of the City of Idaho Falls met in Regular Meeting, Thursday, April 18, 1985, in the Council Chamber in Idaho Falls, Idaho. There were present: Mayor Tom Campbell; Councilmen Paul Hovey, Sam Sakaguchi, Ralph Wood, Art Chandler, Mel Erickson, and Wes Deist. Also present: Velma Chandler, City Clerk; Dale Storer, City Attorney, and all available Division Directors.

Minutes of the last Regular Meeting held April 4th and a Special Meeting held April 16th, 1985, were summarized and approved by the unanimous vote of the Council.

Mayor Campbell welcomed several scouts who were present in the Council Chamber and thanked them for their presence and their interest in local Government.

The Mayor then honored Eagle Scouts Adam Rogers and Timothy Anderson. He congratulated them for receiving this award and presented each a certificate of appreciation, after which each young man received a congratulatory handshake from all City Officials around the Council Table and a round of applause from all those present in the Council Chamber.

The Mayor then declared open a public hearing to consider a rezoning request for property located in the Ashment Addition, and called upon Councilman Wood, as Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Department, to conduct the hearing. At the request of Councilman Wood, the City Clerk read this explanatory memo from the City Planner:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Rod Gilchrist
SUBJECT: REZONING REQUEST - ASHMENT ADDITION

This office has received a request to rezone the property described as Lot 8, Block 1, Division No. 5 of the Ashment Addition, from C-1 to R-3A. This request is being made by Kleinschmidt Development in order to facilitate the construction of an apartment complex. This matter was originally advertised to be considered by the Mayor and City Council, but was recessed due to some design problems and the need to secure additional information on the overall project. These items have now been resolved.

This matter was earlier considered by the Planning Commission and at that time was recommended the request be approved. This Department concurs with that recommendation and the matter is now being submitted for your consideration.

s/ Rod Gilchrist

Councilman Wood asked the City Planner to locate the subject property on a map on the wall and further explain the request.

Councilman Wood then invited anyone who wished to speak in favor of this rezoning to be heard at this time. No one appeared. Councilman Wood then invited anyone who wished to speak in opposition of this request to be heard. There was no one who wished to speak. Councilman Wood asked if any of the Councilmen would like to speak concerning this matter. Councilman Chandler asked what the problems on the design were

and what modifications there had been? City Planner Gilchrist answered by saying that one of the primary problems was that there was no vehicular access to the interior and the concern was that emergency vehicles would have problems in servicing this area.

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Councilman Chandler asked Fire Chief Call if he is satisfied with the access that is provided for this area? Fire Chief Call stated that this was a very high occupancy area and his Department does have some concerns, but it is difficult for emergency vehicles to operate under normal circumstances and when the snow is pushed up against the sidewalks it would be almost impossible for their vehicles to get through. He suggested that the codes be reviewed and possibly up-dated to help alleviate problems in the future.

Councilman Deist asked Chief Call if the architect had conferred with him concerning this development. Chief Call said he had talked with the developer and suggested that they widen a sidewalk that went to the interior of the complex so that ambulances and other emergency equipment could have access to the center courts. He said the developers agreed to do this.

Councilman Hovey asked if there was adequate off-street locations for garbage containers. Chief Call said that modifications were made to allow garbage trucks and fire trucks adequate room for mobility within the complex.

Councilman Erickson asked City Planner Gilchrist to make a recommendation on this matter. The Planner said he recommends approval on the basis that it meets all the codes. There being no further questions nor comment, it was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, that the Council approve the rezoning requests from C-1 to R-3A, and that the City Planner be instructed to reflect said zoning change on the official zoning map located in his office. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Erickson, Deist, Sakaguchi, and Wood; No, Councilmen Hovey and Chandler carried.

Annexation proceedings were then conducted by Councilman Wood, for Willowtree Addition, Division #1. Councilman Wood asked the City Clerk to read the following memo:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Rod Gilchrist
SUBJECT: FINAL PLAT & INITIAL ZONING - WILLOWTREE
ADDITION, DIV. #1

Attached is a copy of the final plat, annexation agreement and annexation ordinance of the above described subdivision. This is a 6-lot subdivision located adjacent to the west side of Bellin Road, north of Mill Road.

The Planning Commission recently considered this request and at that time, it was recommended the final plat be approved, the property be annexed to the City and the property be zoned R-1. This Department concurs with that recommendation and the matter is now being submitted for your consideration.

s/ Rod Gilchrist

Wood then asked the City Planner to locate the area on a map on the wall and further explain the request. There being no one who wished to speak concerning this annexation, it was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, that the Council accept the final plat of the Willowtree Addition, Division #1 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign. Roll

call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, and Deist;
No, none; carried.

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It was then moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, that the Council accept the annexation agreement for Willowtree Addition #1 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, and Hovey; No, none; carried.

The following captioned ordinance was then presented, caption of which is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 1784

(Willowtree Addition)

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.

The foregoing ordinance was presented in title. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, 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, Councilmen Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, Hovey, and Sakaguchi; 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, Councilmen Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, Hovey, and Sakaguchi; No, none; carried.

The Mayor then declared open a public hearing to consider the initial zoning of the newly annexed area. No one appeared concerning this zoning, therefore, it was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, that the initial zoning of this area be established R-1, that the comprehensive plan be amended to include the area annexed herewith, and that the City Planner be instructed to reflect said annexation, zoning and amendment to the comprehensive plan and zoning maps located in his office. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Chandler, Erickson, Deist, Hovey, Sakaguchi, and Wood; No, none; carried.

Annexation proceedings for Home Ranch Addition #12 were then conducted. Councilman Wood asked the City Clerk to read this explanatory memo from the City Planner:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Rod Gilchrist
SUBJECT: FINAL PLAT & INITIAL ZONING - HOME RANCH
ADDITION, DIV. #12

Attached is a copy of the final plat, annexation agreement, and annexation ordinance of the Home Ranch Addition, Division No. 12. This Division is a 36-acre, large-lot residential subdivision. The Planning Commission recently considered this request and at that time, it was recommended the final plat be

approved, the property be annexed to the City and the property be zoned RP-A, with the exception of four lots at the corner of Holmes Avenue and Sunnyside Road. These four (4) lots are to be zoned R-2.

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This Department concurs with that recommendation and the matter is now being submitted for your consideration.

s/ Rod Gilchrist

At the request of Councilman Wood, the City Planner located the area on a map on the wall and explained the request. There being no one present who wished to speak concerning this annexation, it was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, that the Council accept the final plat of Home Ranch Addition Division #12 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Deist, Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, and Erickson; No, none; carried.

It was then moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, that the Council accept the annexation agreement and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, and Deist; No, none; carried.

The following captioned ordinance was then presented, caption of which is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 1785

(Home Ranch Addition #12)

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.

The foregoing ordinance was presented in title. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, 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, Councilmen Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, and Hovey; 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, Councilmen Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, and Hovey; No, none; carried.

The Mayor declared open a public hearing to consider the initial zoning of the newly annexed area. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, that the initial zoning be established as RP-A and R-2 as requested, that the comprehensive plan be amended to include the area annexed herewith, and that the City Planner be instructed to reflect said annexation, zoning and amendment to the comprehensive plan on the comprehensive plan and zoning maps located in his office. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, Hovey, and Sakaguchi; No, none; carried.

License applications for MOBILE RESTAURANT, Frank's Footlong Hotdogs; GROCERY, Osco Drug #66, Osco Drug #259; FRUIT STAND, The Mart; AUCTIONEER, George Sams; ITINERANT MERCHANT, C. Stan Cherry; NON-COMMERCIAL KENNEL, Gayle Montgomery; PRIVATE PATROL SERVICE, Security Service of Idaho; PRIVATE PATROLMAN, Michael McDonough, Richard Riggs; RETAIL WINE, Osco Drug #259; BARTENDER, Marilee Wilson, Mary Ellen Johnson, Mary Cunningham, Harry Woodruff, Robert McShannock,

Richard Svckel, Connie Ostler; PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY, Skidmore Construction, McKean Excavating, Burton Concrete Company, Ball Fence Co., Inc., Home Electric, American Fence Co. of Idaho, G.C. Ferguson Builders & Excavating, Inc., M&D Construction, Stucki &

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Humphries Construction; ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR, Wheeler Electric; JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN, Bruce Wheeler, Randall Wheeler, Ronn Allen; MASTER PLUMBER, Eagle Plumbing; JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER, Kim Sibbett; CLASS C JOURNEYMAN, WA, REF, Donald McCowan; CLASS C JOURNEYMAN, WA, GF, Roy Grindrod, T. Lamont Lewis, were presented. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Deist, that these licenses be approved, subject to the approval of the proper Division Head, where required. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Chandler, Erickson, Deist, Hovey, Sakaguchi, and Wood; No, none; carried.

A NOT TO BE CONSUMED ON THE PREMISES BEER license application was presented for Osco Drug #259, carrying all required approvals. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Deist, that this license be issued. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Erickson, Deist, Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, and Chandler; No, none; carried.

A TO BE CONSUMED ON THE PREMISES BEER license for Leo Larson for Western Amusement was presented. It was noted that this application had not been approved by the District Seven Health Department. Therefore, it was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Deist, that this be approved subject to receiving proper approvals. Erickson stated that if approval is not given, said application must be brought back before the Council for further action. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Deist, Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, and Erickson; No, none; carried.

The City Clerk asked for Council ratification of issuing two (2) BEER licenses to 19th Hole Cafe, one (1) BARTENDER permit to Diann Brooks and an ITINERANT MERCHANT license to Unification Church. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Deist, that the Council ratify this previous action. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, and Deist; No, none; carried.

The City Clerk requested authorization to publish a legal notice calling for a hearing on May 9th, 1985. It was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Deist, that authorization be given as requested. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, and Hovey; No, none; carried.

This memo from the Airport Manager was then read:

City of Idaho Falls
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Airport Committee
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS

The Airport Committee respectfully requests authorization to advertise for bids for the runway overlay project.

s/ Jim Thorsen

It is moved by Councilman Hovey, seconded by Chandler, that authorization be given to advertise for bids on this overlay project. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, Hovey, and Sakaguchi; No, none; carried.

This memo from the Police Chief was then read:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Pollock
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TWO HOUR PARKING ON MARKET STREET

With the sanction of the Downtown Parking Committee, it is suggested that two (2) hour parking be established between Shoup Avenue and Yellowstone Avenue on Market Street. (There is no parking on Broadway for the businesses in said block and all day parkers take up the block on Market).

s/ R.D. Pollock

It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Deist, that the Council accept this request from the Downtown Parking Committee. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Chandler, Erickson, Deist, Hovey, Sakaguchi, and Wood; No, none; carried.

From the Public Works Director came this memo:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Chad Stanger
SUBJECT: SEWAGE TREATMENT DIGESTER REHABILITATION PROJECT NO. 8A-11

Attached is a tabulation of bids for rehabilitation of a digester at the Sewage Treatment Plant. Since the City only received one (1) bid on this project and the bid received was higher than the engineer's estimate, it is the recommendation of the consulting engineer, CH2M Hill, and the Public Works Division that the City Council reject this bid and authorize readvertising to receive bids on this project.

Respectfully,
s/ Chad Stanger

Councilman Sakaguchi reported that several companies who wished to bid on this project had been pre-occupied and the one bid received was so much higher than the Engineer's estimate, therefore the Committee feels it would be to the City's advantage to reject the bid and readvertise. It was moved by Councilman Sakaguchi, seconded by Deist, that the one bid received be rejected and authorization given to readvertise to receive bids on this project. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Erickson, Deist, Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, and Chandler; No, none; carried.

Next, from the Public Works Director, came this memo:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Chad Stanger
SUBJECT: SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION - EPA DOCUMENTS

Attached is a proposed resolution for consideration by the City Council which authorizes the signature of Chad Stanger to appear on those documents relating to the EPA Wastewater Treatment Facilities grant documents.

Respectfully,
s/ Chad Stanger

It was moved by Councilman Sakaguchi, seconded by Deist, that Chad Stanger, Public Works Director, be authorized to sign the documents with EPA. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Deist, Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, and Erickson; No, none; carried.

Mayor Campbell asked the City Clerk to read the following report from the Zoological Committee:

City of Idaho Falls
April 5, 1985

The Honorable Mayor Thomas V. Campbell
Mayor of Idaho Falls
P.O. Box 220

Dear Mayor,

This letter is to inform you of the progress to date by the Idaho Falls Zoological Committee that you appointed in early March, 1985.

The Committee has met several times since the appointment and have two favorable items to report:

- (1) Based on Federal and State regulations and audit reports by the United States Department of Agricultural, there appear to exist no discrepancies at the Idaho Falls Tautphaus Park Zoo that are in violation of Federal and State statutes or regulations. All minimum standards appear to be met or exceeded.
- (2) Conversations with zoo personnel, Dr. Tom Moe, and others indicated that the animals are healthy and properly taken care of. Animals typically die of old age in the zoo.

However, this is not to say that the zoo does not have several significant problems that require both short and long term solutions.

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Public criticism of the Idaho Falls Zoo has involved comments concerning the sterility of zoo conditions, lack of adequate cage space for the animals, minimal zoo educational features, and improper care of the animals. Although the Committee believes the animals are, indeed, properly cared for and all minimum standards are met, public perception of these problems remain.

It should be noted that Federal and State regulations are minimum and don't necessarily govern satisfactory zoo conditions that the public expects. The Committee feels that improved public awareness is badly needed to help remedy these public perception "non-problems".

A zoo tour by the Committee proved enlightening. The Committee does agree that educational features, such as signs depicting information on the animals, are lacking at the zoo, and there is an element of sterility or bleakness of the zoo structures. Photography and adequate viewing of the animals are hindered in some cases by the required double, chain-link fence barriers surrounding the larger animals. Lastly, it appears that significant improvements will be required for the monkey house and bear dens in the near future.

The above problems are not easily solved. An underlying problem for all of the above deficiencies appears to involve the lack of long-term planning at the zoo. There appear no clear objectives of what the zoo is trying to provide (i.e. enjoyment for the public, education, animal preservation, etc.) Animals have been procured before acceptable housing is available. Although volunteer support and donations have occasionally come to the aid of the zoo, lack of long-term planning has prevented these short-term solutions from greatly improving zoo conditions. To make matters worse, the City of Idaho Falls, with all good intentions, cannot financially support all of the changes and improvements that the zoo requires.

Therefore, the Committee's first and top-priority recommendation is to prepare and document a long-term plan for the zoo. The plan must be reasonable, site specific, and be cost effective, within practical budgetary constraints. A previous master plan for the zoo failed primarily because it depicted a grandiose scheme that could not be financially supported by the City.

The Committee recommends that a long-term plan be prepared for the Idaho Falls Zoo. This plan may be prepared through an outside subcontract by a zoological consultant firm or prepared by the City using part-time experts and consultants. The Committee has informally contacted two firms and estimates a subcontract would cost approximately \$5000.

Short-term improvements, such as educational signs, volunteer tours, zoo beautification, community involvement programs, and media public awareness, will be pursued by the Committee this year.

The Committee anxiously awaits your endorsement of this recommendation and suggested methods to help ensure that the long-range plan meet our plan criteria.

Sincerely,
s/ Van Briggs, Jr.
Chairman, Idaho Falls
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After some discussion, it was moved by Councilman Deist, seconded by Erickson, that this proposal be accepted and referred to the Committee for implementation. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Hovey, Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, and Deist; No, none; carried.

Mayor Campbell read the following letter in the absence of John Pennock:

City of Idaho Falls
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TO: CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Gentlemen:

On behalf of the Mayor's Youth Council and Mayor Tom Campbell, I would like to respectfully request that the City Council consider the construction of an indoor swimming pool in Idaho Falls. We feel that much of the cost of a swimming pool could be obtained through private funding. The goal, in fact, would be to see if all the money could be raised from private sources. If we fall short of that goal, however, we hope the Council would consider funding from current revenue or asking the people to pass a bond for the difference.

Some immediate steps that need to be taken are:

1. Decide on design and location
2. Obtain cost estimates
3. Explore funding possibilities

Although we are aware of the difficulties involved in a project of this nature, we are asking that you make every reasonable effort to build an indoor pool in Idaho Falls.

Sincerely,
s/ John Pennock,
Chairman, Mayor's
Youth Council

Councilman Hovey stated that he would like to have a Committee that was truly representative of the community from a standpoint of geographical consideration, and they could review what has transpired in the past and come back to the Council with some valid recommendations. It was moved by Councilman Deist, seconded by Erickson, that the Council accept this letter, endorse the concept and refer it to the Parks and Recreation Committee for advice and recommendation. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Sakaguchi, Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, and Hovey; No, none; carried.

Councilman Erickson reported that some residents of Rose Nielsen Addition have requested that the Council consider a STOP sign at the corner of Balboa and 25th Street. It was moved by Councilman Erickson, seconded by Deist, that this be referred to the Traffic Safety Committee for review. Roll call as follows: Ayes, Councilmen Wood, Chandler, Erickson, Deist, Hovey, and Sakaguchi; No, none; carried.

Councilman Erickson reported that it has been brought to his attention that there is a need for regulatory signs in the Rose Nielsen area as it develops. Erickson wanted

it made a matter of record that this had been reviewed by the Traffic Engineer and Police Chief and they are proceeding to install signs as soon as they can be prepared and placed.

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There being no further business, it was moved by Councilman Hovey, seconded by Wood, that the meeting adjourn at 8:10 P.M., carried.

s/ Velma Chandler
City Clerk

s/ Thomas Campbell
Mayor

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