



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
Monday, July 27, 2020
City Council Chambers
680 Park Avenue
Idaho Falls, ID 83402
3:00 p.m.

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CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Times listed in parentheses are only estimates.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor: -Acceptance and/or Receipt of Minutes
Action Desired: To receive recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Commission
-Calendars, Announcements and Reports (10)
-Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Council: -Liaison Reports and Council Concerns (10)

Community Development Services: -Public Hearing Format Training (5)

Legal: -City Bus Stop Bench Program Discussion (20)
-Door-to-Door Solicitations Follow-up Discussion (15)

Municipal Services: -Follow-up Discussion Regarding 2020-21 Budget (120)

DATED this 24th day of July, 2020



Kathy Hampton
City Clerk



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council

FROM: Brad Cramer, Community Development Services Director

DATE: July 08, 2020

RE: July 07, 2020, Planning Commission Action

Planning Commission took the following action during the July 07, 2020 meeting.

- 1. PLAT18-002: Final Plat. Clay Subdivision Division 1.** Generally located south of US Hwy 20, west of Lindsay Blvd., north of W Broadway and east of Interstate 15. On July 7, 2020 the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of the Final Plat for Clay Subdivision Division 1.
- 2. PLAT20-019: Final Plat. Fairway Estates Division 25.** Generally located North of W 33rd N, East of N 5th W, South of W 65th N, West of N 5th E. On July 7, 2020 the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of the Final Plat for Fairway Estates Division 25.
- 3. PLAT20-020: Final Plat. Fairway Estates Division 26.** Generally located North of W 33rd N, East of N 5th W, South of W 65th N, West of N 5th E. On July 7, 2020 the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of the Final Plat for Fairway Estates Division 26.
- 4. PLAT20-013: Preliminary Plat. Taylorview Homes Division No. 1.** Generally located North of E 49th S, East of S 5th W, South of E Sunnyside Road, West of S Holmes Ave. On July 7, 2020 the Preliminary Plat for Taylorview Homes Division No. 1 was postponed.
- 5. ANNX20-009: Annexation/Initial Zoning. Annexation & Initial Zoning of RP for Lot 2 Block 2 of the Second Amended Plat of Kinsmen Country Estates Division No. 1.** Generally located North S 49th E, East S Holmes Ave, South E Sunnyside Rd, West S 15th E. On July 7, 2020 the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of RP for lot 2 block 2 of the Second Amended Plat of Kinsmen Country Estates Division No 1.
- 6. ANNX20-007: Annexation/Initial Zoning. Annexation & Initial Zoning of HC & LC, Approximately 44 acres Section 9, Township 2 North, Range 38 East.** Generally located North of Lincoln Rd, East of N 25th E, South of N Yellowstone Hwy, West of N Woodruff Ave. On July 7, 2020 the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of the Annexation & Initial Zoning of HC & LC, Approximately 44 acres Section 9, Township 2 North, Range 38 East.

- 7. Rzon20-006: Rezone. Rezone from LM to LC, Lot 3 Block 2 Sayer Business Park Division 1.** Generally located North of E 1st St, East of Hollipark Dr, South of Lincoln Rd, West of N Woodruff Ave. On July 7, 2020 the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of the Rezone from LM to LC, Lot 3 Block 2, Sayer Business Park.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION: To receive recommendation(s) from the Planning and Zoning Commission pursuant to the Local Land Use Planning Act (LLUPA).



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council

FROM: Brad Cramer, Community Development Services Director

DATE: July 23, 2020

RE: July 21, 2020, Planning Commission Action

Planning Commission took the following action during the July 21, 2020 meeting.

- 1. ANNX20-008: ANNEXATION/INITIAL ZONING. Annexation and Initial Zoning of Residential Park (RP) & Single Dwelling Residential (R1) for Sand Creek Estates, Division No. 1.** Generally located north of E 65th S, east of S 15th E, south of E 49th S, west of S 25th E. On July 21, 2020 the Planning Commission recommended approval of the annexation and initial zonings of R1 and RP to the Mayor and City Council.
- 2. ANNX20-010: ANNEXATION/INITIAL ZONING. Annexation & Initial Zoning of Industrial and Manufacturing (I&M) for Lot 9, Block 1, WRIGHT INDUSTRIAL PARK, DIVISION NO. 1.** Generally located north of Hemmert Ave, east of N Holmes Ave, south of E Iona Rd, west of N 15th E. On July 21, 2020 the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of the annexation and initial zoning of I&M.
- 3. PLAT20-021: PRELIMINARY PLAT. Sand Creek Estates, Division No. 1.** Generally located north of E 65th S, east of S 15th E, south of E 49th S, west of S 25th E. On July 21, 2020 the Planning Commission approved the Sand Creek Preliminary Plat as presented.
- 4. RZON20-005: REZONE. Rezone from Residential Estate (RE) to Limited Commercial (LC) for 1.48 Acres in the E1/2 NE1/4 SE1/4, Section 25, Township 2 North, Range 37 and known as 2636 Rollandet Ave.** Generally located north of W Sunnyside Rd, east of S Yellowstone Ave, south of W 25th St, west of Rollandet Ave. On July 21, 2020 the Planning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of the rezone from RE to LC.
- 5. RZON20-009: REZONE. Amendment of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance, Section 11-4-5.E.1, Parking Location in Residential Zones, and Section 11-7-1: Definitions, Dwelling Single Unit Attached.** On July 21, 2020 the Planning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of 11-4-5.E.1 Parking Location in Residential Zones as presented and approval as presented of 11-7-1 Dwelling Single unit attached with the modification that the code states two (2) to four (4) dwellings, instead of two (2) or more dwellings.

6. **PLAT20-022: FINAL PLAT. L & S Subdivision Division No. 1.** Generally located north of John Adams Pkwy, west of Hitt Rd, south of Lincoln Rd, east of Woodruff Ave. On July 21, 2020 the Planning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of the Final Plat as presented. With the stipulation that no connection be made to Duchess Drive.

7. **PLAT20-024: FINAL PLAT. Idaho Steel Products.** Generally located north of E Anderson St, east of N Boulevard, south of US Hwy 20, west of N Homes Ave. On July 21, 2020 the Planning Commission recommended to the Mayor and City Council approval of the Final Plat as presented.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION: To receive recommendation(s) from the Planning and Zoning Commission pursuant to the Local Land Use Planning Act (LLUPA).



MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Rebecca Casper

DATE: June 26, 2020

RE: Proclamations for May/June 2020

Please find attached copies of official proclamations prepared and released by the Mayor's Office.

- Janie Billman, Karina Hernandez, and Kassi Halbrook of Compass Academy Day, May 12, 2020
- Back in Business Day, June 27, 2020



PROCLAMATION

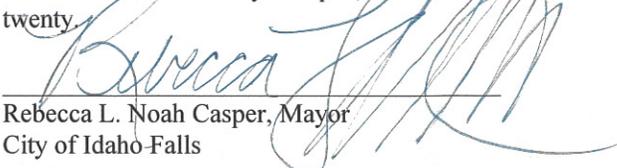
- WHEREAS,** students from around the country compete annually in the *C-SPAN StudentCam* contest, a national video documentary competition that encourages students to think critically about issues that affect our communities and our nation; and
- WHEREAS,** this year students in grades 6-12 were asked to create a video documentary on a topic related to the competition theme, "What's Your Vision in 2020?" where they were asked to explore the issue they most wanted presidential candidates to address during the campaign; and
- WHEREAS,** nearly 5,400 students from across the United States and District of Columbia competed in the competition; and
- WHEREAS,** three extraordinary 12th grade students from the Compass Academy in Idaho Falls, Idaho, have been awarded 3rd place in the nation for their documentary; and
- WHEREAS,** Janie Billman, Karina Hernandez, and Kassi Halbbrook are being honored by C-SPAN for their documentary entitled "The Vagrant Streets" about the issue and prevalence of homelessness in America; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Idaho Falls wishes to recognize and congratulate Janie, Karina, and Kassi for their incredible work documenting the issue of homelessness and for being recognized for their work by C-SPAN, garnering a prestigious 3rd place finish in the *C-SPAN StudentCam* competition; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Idaho Falls also wishes to congratulate Compass Academy, their teachers and facilitators, and the parents and families of these three remarkable young students; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, REBECCA L. NOAH CASPER, MAYOR of the City of Idaho Falls, do hereby proclaim May 12th, 2020 as

Janie Billman, Karina Hernandez, and Kassi Halbbrook, of Compass Academy Day

in Idaho Falls for their *C-SPAN StudentCam* 3rd place winning entry entitled "The Vagrant Streets" and welcome all citizens to join in recognizing their national achievement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Idaho Falls to be affixed on this 6th day of April, two thousand and twenty.


Rebecca L. Noah Casper, Mayor
City of Idaho Falls



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Idaho Falls values and celebrates our local businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho has entered STAGE 3 of IDAHO REBOUNDS and businesses are resuming operations; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Falls actively supports our local businesses as they resume safe operations; and

THEREFORE, I, REBECCA L. NOAH CASPER, MAYOR of the City of Idaho Falls, do hereby proclaim Saturday, June 27, 2020 as

BACK IN BUSINESS DAY

in Idaho Falls and urge the residents of our community to shop local, patronize local merchants, and otherwise utilize the services of local enterprises that day and throughout the year to help the local economy rebound strongly.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Idaho Falls to be affixed on this 2nd day of June, Two Thousand and Twenty.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rebecca L. Noah Casper".

Rebecca L. Noah Casper, Mayor
City of Idaho Falls

Date: May 7, 2020

Subject: Meeting Minutes, CUSP Personal and Public Safety Committee

Location: Creekside Counseling, Idaho Falls/Zoom online

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Dr. Janet Allen, Committee Chairwoman.

In attendance:

- Dr. Janet Allen, Chairwoman
- Paul Allen
- Brad Landes
- Rolanda Bjornson
- Anthony Tirino (co-chair)
- John Ferguson
- Amy Gamett (co-chair)
- John Ferguson
- Not in attendance: Amy Gamett (co-chair); Carol Mascarenes

A quorum was in attendance. No representatives from the public called in to the Zoom meeting.

Chairwoman welcomed everyone.

Approval of minutes from previous meeting: Brad made note that the minutes had an error in that Captain Hulse had indicated that the “Nortenos” identified with the color red, and the “Sorentos” identified with the color blue, but the minutes inadvertently stated “blue” for both. With that correction, the minutes from the last meeting were approved.

Chairwoman then asked Anthony to report on the CUSP Chair meeting he attended on behalf of our committee. Anthony indicated that after listening to all the presentations, that all groups seemed to be about where we were. Juan would like to see the following:

- 1) By end of summer, “ideas” should be more concrete with some focus;
- 2) By fall there will be a call for an “interim report”;
- 3) Anticipate that final reports will be presented to the City Council in the February/March 2021 timeframe.

Anthony also indicated that Juan has suggested we all look through a COVID-19 lens as we consider the impact the current pandemic has had on our city. There will be another chair-person meeting in mid-June, and the hope is that CUSP committees are able to meet in person again by June, though sooner is possible if proper measures are taken.

Chairwoman then asked each member to provide an update on their own thoughts and ideas regarding our mission.

- Rolanda will follow-up with Domestic Violence Intervention Center for better/more complete information from them than she has received thus far;

- Brad thinks that we should emphasize things the City can do with existing resources, or for little cost, like updated the webpage to pull together all the various resources, and some bike safety activities.
- Paul observed that because several large groups in Idaho Falls (INL/DOE, Melaleuca, the Hospitals/Medical community, the LDS church and other churches) took an early leadership role, it helped keep COVID-19 minimal (to date) in Idaho Falls, and that that is a strong argument for the Community Advisory Boards/Coordinating Bodies that John has previously discussed.
- John observed that the community has generally been very cooperative through the COVID-19 crisis.

Chairwoman then asked for any thoughts or reactions from Captain Hulse's presentation at the last meeting.

- Janet mentioned being struck by his remarks concerning the need for more accessible mental health services;
- Brad discussed the "Free 2 Succeed" program that helps reduce recidivism back to prison, the program that Stephanie Silva-Taylor runs locally;
- John was pleased to hear that interdepartmental communication seemed effective, which creates a solid framework for public safety.

Chairwoman then led a discussion that began with thinking back to the topics we first all voted on, and the ones that rose to the top: Access to mental health; Suicide Prevention; and Education. Strong indication that one of our principal foci should be Mental Health, and Janet acknowledged that she assumes that's why the Mayor asked her to chair this committee. Anthony strongly endorsed the notion that mental health is central to safety, and suggested that part of our focus needs to be helping people before they get into trouble/danger rather than only after they are already in trouble.

Rolanda inquired about what resources are available now to people that lack insurance, and Janet discussed briefly Medicaid and the Crisis Intervention Center, but that there isn't a lot. Anthony cited past experience in NY where there are often are no resources available to people until after they have "crossed a line." Rolanda acknowledged that when it comes to domestic violence there are resources available to women and children after an assault, by not generally before. Janet discussed that Board that Chief Johnson had asked her to participate on that could be a resource for collecting private funds for the purpose of supporting community-based mental health services, but that since COVID-19, nothing has been done with that Board as far as she is aware.

John discussed then a community foundation that was used in his previous community that collected funds from two counties that helped a variety of community endeavors, including such things as mental health services and the arts.

Rolanda discussed the benefit of classes in the community that could help destigmatize mental health issues and could help provide a "volunteer advocates" for mental health needs. These classes might be especially well suited as CE classes for medical, legal, law enforcement and mental health professionals.

John discussed the community foundation with which he was familiar that was similar, and which was specific to the prevention of suicide, and how they obtained grants that were coordinated through

Human Services Coordinating Body that was then able to offer suicide prevention/recognition/intervention/empathy classes that helped destigmatize mental health, and “stigmatize” suicide.

Brad mentioned that there are current resources, and showed the group some printed materials from some of them.

Chairwoman summarized that we ought to start down the path of building networks, organizational structures, and communications to the community advocating for groups and individuals to help. She discussed the notion of leaning on retired mental health professionals in our community who could go out and offer some of that advocacy, training, and even mental health services.

Anthony noted that cost is always going to be an issue for City government, but that relying on volunteers requires little in the way of cost, and noted that when volunteer structures are mentioned, that the Mayor clearly takes note.

Rolanda mentioned that in order to cover the costs, the community could consider a model for donations that is similar to “Breaking Boundaries”, which supports a foundation for education and assistance related to HIV.

Paul suggested at that point that we begin the process of outlining the ideas that were coalescing around mental health that could bring some structure to our thinking at the next meeting, and that he and Janet would take that.

The Chairwoman discussed “think-tanking” some of our specialty areas and how those could contribute to the end goal of preventative mental health serves, and bringing that to the group next time. Suggested breaking up into small “Subcommittees” for the moment: Janet & Paul; Brad & John; Anthony and Carol; and Rolanda & Amy.

John and Rolanda expressed some concerns about doing that, both in terms of public meeting policy and the value of the diversity of the group. The Chairwoman acknowledged that those are legitimate concerns, but that Juan had assured her that as long as “policy wasn’t decided” and that the discussions were broad and open ended, that the public meeting policy wouldn’t be violated. And she further indicated that these breakout teams might only be for between now and the next meeting, and that she wasn’t necessarily advocating for them to be permanent.

John observed that, as we go forward, we ought to be mindful of the mental health component of so many things that aren’t necessarily related to public safety, such as green space in a city, trees, bike paths, etc.

Anthony noted that just because the current charter for the CUSP committees was for a short-term duration, that there was nothing preventing this committee from continuing to find an ongoing mission and to contribute to the City Council for years.

Chairwoman then asked each “subcommittee to try to have a discussion between now and next meeting, and bring something to the group next time. All agreed, but there is some concern as people continue to wrap their minds around what we’re trying to do.

Chairwoman opened up the discussion at that point to ask about future guest speakers, such as Chief Johnson from IFPD, Chief Nelson from IFFD, Ginny Griffin from SPAN and Dan Weinrick from the INL.

Brad suggested we might like to hear from Stephanie Silva-Taylor concerning the work she does. All agreed those would be helpful, as well as a possible representative from the School system.

Next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 28th at 7:00 at Creekside Counseling, 550 W. Sunnyside Ste. 1, Idaho Falls, with participants to join via ZOOM. ZOOM link will be provided with the next agenda.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Idaho Falls Downtown Development Corp. June 2, 2020 board meeting was held in The DEC (480 Park Ave) at 8:30am

Attendance: Jake Durtschi, Emily Fitzpatrick, Kevin Josephson, Brandi Newton, Greg Crockett, Jill Hansen, Steve Fishbauch, Kevin Cutler, Lisa Farris, Brent McLane and Cindy Napier Staff: Catherine Smith, Mala Lyon; visitors: Chase Martin

Minutes for May 5, 2020 were reviewed – Greg motioned they be approved; Brandi seconded, and board approved.

Financials: Brandi – waiting on the \$20,000 from the city to cover our watering of pots, trees and flower baskets. Expenses are being well controlled. The PPP loan looks like we will have 120 days to use it and loan forgiveness is still being decided. Catherine has the application. Brandi motioned the financial report be approved; Kevin Cutler seconded and board approved.

Directors report – Catherine reported that we have 92 hanging flower baskets that have been placed and we need two more basket sponsors. This is down from the 135 that we have done in years past. There will be no basket along Yellowstone. We had to remove baskets from areas we thought would be difficult to water. We have hired Cole Smith to water the flower baskets – he uses a 25 water tank that is inside a garden wagon. We have contracted with Dave Lawrence to water the trees and the 110 pots. All the flowers should be in the pots by the end of the week.

The next BID payment should come July 1st.

Grant application have been done to the INL Community Grant, Fed-X Chamber USA and Main Street America. IEDC is doing a webinar on the PP loan forgiveness process. We want to be first in line.

Lisa – 2020 grant money will be coming soon and we have \$250,000 from the CARES Act that businesses can apply for to help with the Covid-19 issues. It is CDBG funds. Possible use is doing improvements for curbside service for downtown restaurants or protection sneeze guards. Jake asked that Catherine send this info out.

City report – Brent – there has been no slow down in building construction permits. Brandi asked about the new Police station progress? They have selected an architect firm from Florida that specializes in police buildings. Still looking at final costs.

The Bonneville will be doing 4 planters and will plant them and maintain them. They have been nominated for an Orchid Award.

INL is still planning to move into the old Idahoan building as far as we know. They have a contract with the county to use the parking lot across the street.

The old Ferrell's building had the outside striped and had applied for a CDBG grant to do the windows, but it has expired. Nothing else has been done to the inside.

Todd owner of the SnakeBite is working on the façade and we have heard that he is talking to a hair salon to move in. We also heard that a juice bar was looking at it.

Diablas Kitchen is moving to the West Bank building across the river.

Pie Hole Café is hoping to open June 27th on Park Ave where the Royal Shoe shop was.

The Hotel Idaho building and the Shane building have applied for grants.
Select Health Insurance is moving into The Broadway building

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10am

Our next board meeting will be held July 7, 2020 at 8:30am

Respectfully submitted by Jill Hansen, Secretary and Mala Lyon

Idaho Falls Sister City Youth Approved Meeting-Minutes

This meeting was conducted using the platform Zoom

June 15, 2020

Attendees

Nicholas Cebull	Melinda Cebull	Charlotte Combs	Laura Combs
David Eaton	Katie Eaton	Kylie Eaton	Abby Gallegos
Aiden Gallegos	Lori Kidwell	McKenzie Mclsaac	Ed Mclsaac
Mike Medema	Max Medema	Heather Medema	Charlie Medema
Whitney St. Michel	Carter Thompson		

Approval of minutes

Whitney St. Michel motioned to approve the June 3, 2020 meeting minutes. It was seconded by Max Medema. Passed.

Friendship Garden

Judy Seydel will contact David on date for the group to help with cleaning of the Friendship Garden. The date will be announced at the next meeting.

Fundraiser

Garage Sale

Judy Seydel has donated nineteen bags and boxes of items to our garage sale. The date of the garage sale will be determined at a later time.

Fundraisers

Cherry Blossom Raffle

The site is set up for everyone to purchase raffle tickets for the auction. The link to the raffle is on the Idaho Falls Sister City Youth website.

Heather Medema and her family volunteered to send out thank you notes to the people/companies who donated items.

Video of Favorite Idaho Falls Places

Abby Gallegos put together a video of favorite places in Idaho Falls. The video was shown to the group. The video was sent to students in Tokai-Mura.

Reminder

The next meeting is on July 1, 2020 at 7:00. Please put the July 1st meeting on your calendar. A reminder email notice will be sent out before the meeting.

Student Activity**Student Presentation**

Charlie Medema gave a presentation on Mythology and Folklore. To view click the link below:

NEED LINK

Volunteer Needed for Next Student Presentation

A volunteer is needed for July 1st for a student presentation.

Meeting Adjourned

Charlie Medema motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Whitney St. Michel.

Date: June 18, 2020

Subject: Meeting Minutes, CUSP Personal and Public Safety Committee

Location: Creekside Counseling, Idaho Falls

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Dr. Janet Allen, Committee Chairwoman.

In attendance:

- Dr. Janet Allen, Chairwoman
- Paul Allen
- Brad Landes
- Anthony Tirino (co-chair)
- Dan Weinrich, Community Advisor
- Idaho Falls Police Chief, Bryce Johnson
- Idaho Falls Fire Chief, Duane Nelson
- Not in attendance: Amy Gamett (co-chair); Carol Mascarenes; Rolanda Bjornson; John Ferguson

A quorum was not in attendance. One representative from the public was present at the meeting representing a grass-roots organization interested in Police Reform.

Chairwoman welcomed everyone.

Approval of minutes from previous meeting: In the absence of a quorum, the minutes from the previous meeting could not be approved.

Chairwoman turned the meeting over to Chief Nelson.

Chief Nelson:

Biggest challenge for Fire Department (FD) is mental health. Stated that firefighters are 3x more likely to die by suicide than by fire. FD struggles to get firefighters to take advantage of their Employee Assistance Program (EAP) because the number of sessions allowed doesn't permit a relationship to form between the counselor and the firefighter. Subsequently, FD experiences a high number of medical retirements for mental health reasons. Chief Nelson mentioned he attended the funerals of 3 firefighters last year who died by suicide. He indicated that the FD is working toward getting good help.

He believes better education is needed in the FD to destigmatize mental health. He is working hard to open the door again to Critical Incident Stress Debriefs, but noted that it's a special challenge because firefighters don't want to "appear weak" to their colleagues on the FD. To that end, the FD has established a TRUST Team, and notes that the department continues to "feel better" about the program, but it's still in its infancy. He also noted that they are working toward education programs for the firefighters and let them know it's okay to talk about their stress and related mental health issues, as well as what signs and symptoms to watch for in themselves and their colleagues. They are working to bring educators to train all shifts. The FD does believe that they have the support of the City Council and the Mayor in this regard.

Chief Nelson noted that the FD has physical fitness equipment for physical wellness, but need to view both mental wellness and nutrition as important for overall fitness/wellness, not just physical conditioning.

Noted that he expects that there are substance abuse issues in the FD, though he is not aware of those issues manifesting at work (i.e. employees showing up to work impaired). Nevertheless, knowing the issue is likely occurring, he emphasized the need for addiction/substance abuse support for the FD.

In addition to the mental health of the FD, he noted that they experience a high volume of mental health-related calls, such as suicide calls. Subsequently, additional training for firefighters and EMS to recognize and facilitate the support of mental health issues would be beneficial.

Regarding Safety, Chief Nelson noted that they have a lot of injuries while on duty, which costs the City a lot of money. He believes that physical and body awareness training that would be beneficial to support the reduction in the rate of injuries would be beneficial to help keep the FD healthier and on the job.

As the FD considers the growth of the City, some of the things they see and would recommend addressing are:

- 1) As Idaho Falls continue to develop “water space” along the greenbelt, but especially the bike paths along the canal banks, need to be prepared to respond to water accident calls. Chief Nelson specifically indicated the need for number markers along the canal banks that are similar to mile post markers, so that in the event of a 9-1-1 call, the caller can report the number they see on the nearest marker, which in turn facilitates the response time. Regular training on water rescue also would be beneficial.
- 2) Training to support back-country rescue would allow the FD to support Search and Rescue.
- 3) City maps can’t keep up with the addition of new addresses, which impedes emergency response to those addresses. A system for readily adding newly developed addresses to city maps and GPS/software would be very beneficial. **[NOTE: CUSP could check to see if part of the process for obtaining a building permit is adding the address to the city maps, and if there is a way to update the system such that by the time construction is complete, the system has been updated]**

FD acknowledges that it is not meeting national standards for response time, but notes that there are too many physical barriers that restrict access, such as rivers, canals and railroad crossings, that can only be overcome by establishing more fire stations, but which is considered excessive. Still, the FD is trying to reduce its average response time to under 6 minutes for ambulance and 7 minutes for fire trucks.

Chief Nelson cited the following statistics:

- 1) EMS calls increase roughly 5% per year;
- 2) Roughly 10,000 EMS calls per year;
- 3) Fire calls averaged between 2,000-2,400 per year for the past 10 years;
- 4) The FD averages about 14,000 calls per year

The 48 hours on, 96 hours off schedule works well for firefighters, however little is understood about the risks to the employee and public during the second 24 hours of their shift due to excessive physical demands and lack of sleep. Chief Nelson recommended to the City they conduct a study on the injuries and mistakes that occur during that period to determine if there is a pattern of schedule-induced incidents, which may lead to improvements. By observing injury/incident patterns across the whole FD, important insight may be gained that would yield modifications to shifts, specific training, etc.

Chairwoman asked about programs targeting kids who get in trouble with fire. Chief Nelson indicated that the FD previously had a well-supported program called the "Juvenile Fire Starter Program" that was intended to help firefighters mentor and coach kids who start fires on the dangers to self, others and property. The program has been allowed to lapse, and the originally trained firefighters have since retired. Though they have some firefighters who are trying to prop up the program, they need training. He also noted, however, that problem with the program is that it "doesn't take the next step" and that partnering with psychological services professionals who can also work "fire starters" would help bridge that gap, and Chief Nelson believes the program would be very beneficial in contributing to the safety of the community.

Community member asked about insurance that firefighters have. Chief Nelson noted that it's good health insurance with a co-pay program. However, he noted that it doesn't cover enough mental health visits, and compared it to Madison County which receives 25 mental health visits per year covered by their insurance.

CUSP member asked about data, and the Chief responded that they do maintain good data that can be made available. In particular there was a discussion about "repeat offenders" and he noted that they most definitely see such people. Again, he noted that if there was an opportunity to study the patterns and behaviors of repeat offenders, they could do a better job of getting these people the mental health assistance they need rather than repeat FD or PD calls.

Chairwoman asked what one thing would be most impactful to the safety of this community? Chief responded that the hardest part here is helping the public understand that Idaho Falls DOES have very real public safety issues. We do have drugs and gangs, we do have domestic violence, we do have violent crime, and that the problems of the "big cities" are no different than ours, and ours are proportional to our population, same as the cities. He believes it is important to be able to talk openly and honestly about issues rather than sweeping them under the rug. He cited COVID-19 mask-wearing as a good example.

CUSP member asked if the FD has a citizens academy. Chief Nelson indicated that we haven't had one for a long time.

Concluded that the biggest message to the community was to learn to listen to their public safety officials and take their message to heart.

Chief Johnson:

Began by indicating that the biggest killer of police officers is suicide, followed by violent attacks, vehicle accidents, and heart disease. The average lifespan of a police officer is 57 years. Mental health concerns is a big issue for the Police Department (PD).

At the moment, staffing issues are very real for the PD, and he expects to lose funding for some officers due to the cost of COVID on the community budgets. At the moment, he has 81 officers that can suit up, but based on the population they serve, models would suggest he needs 102/3.

PD responded to roughly 49,000 calls this year, a 4% increase over last year.

Crime rate is down 7%, whereas calls are up 4%. This is due to an increase in requests to “check” on community concerns rather than crimes.

In 2019, mental health-related calls were up 19% over the year previous.

Clearance Rates (crimes committed/crimes solved):

People Crimes – up 14%, in the 1,000s.

Property Crimes – up 1%

Society Crimes (such as hate crimes) – up 15%

Chief Johnson credits the improved clearance rates to better resources/tools.

Noted that Mobile Crisis Outreach teams and a Crisis Detective are helpful in mitigating mental health issues that are not really crimes per se, but that the PD needs a better place to take people in mental health crisis rather than the ER.

Noted that the government is starved for resources, and so “defunding” one segment of the government will really just amount to robbing Peter to pay Paul.

Community member asked whether it was even appropriate for the PD to use “military equipment”. Chief Johnson replied that he preferred the discussion be less about what equipment they have, and more about the appropriate use of that equipment, acknowledging that driving a tank to a Black Lives Matter protest on Broadway Bridge is hardly the right thing to do. On the other hand, their military vehicles has been shot nine times in the last year or so, and that probably saved police lives.

Chief Johnson reiterated what Chief Nelson said about Idaho Falls citizens not believing we have a crime problem. Community is apathetic about public safety, noting that when they held a public meeting to discuss their 5-Year Strategic Plan, almost no one showed up. It’s very difficult for the PD to engage with the community if they community is indifferent about engaging with them (except during a time of crisis, such as the Black Lives Matter protests).

Noted that Idaho Falls is above the national average for substance abuse in the community. However, he doesn’t believe that getting in trouble for addiction related offenses should “haunt” a person forever, and that we should have a path for people to clear their record if they get their life put back together.

To that end, he advocates for a Police Assisted Addiction Recovery (PAAR) Program. In this model, if someone comes to the PAAR and asks for help, they wouldn't be arrested, and would be directed to the resources and help they need. Such a program is in the PD's strategic plan, and the Chief is trying to get a foundation in place that can collect charitable contributions and grant money to support the program, as well as a canine program and officer mental wellness.

Chief Johnson provided the following 1 year statistics related to "use of force":

- 1) 49,383 "incidents" within the community (i.e. matters resulting in a call to the PD);
- 2) 2,538 resulted in arrest;
- 3) 122 incidents resulted in "use of force", which includes canine deployments;
- 4) 4.8% of in custody arrests include force of some kind;
- 5) 3% is the target

Have recently begun tracking racial statistics (to the best of their ability...determination of race is visual identification by the officer only as they are not permitted to ask). Because the only minority community of statistical significance in our area is the Hispanic community, this is the only racial statistic he has confidence in. Notes that 10% of "use of force" incidents involve Hispanics, whereas Hispanics represent 13.8% of the community. Subsequently, he believes that his officers are not targeting minorities.

Community member asked if PD allows officers that were disciplined and removed from other departments to be acquired by the IFPD. Chief Johnson indicated that lateral hiring was common among Police Departments, but that IFPD actively screens for officers with disciplinary records and doesn't hire them.

He noted that the PD does not want to discriminate on calls. The following statistics are a new one that he has only begun tracking 8 months ago, but he believes is important to understand:

Police-initiated contact (ie traffic stops or similar times when an officer initiates a stop to a citizen:

- 1) 7,600 stops
- 2) 23 were Native American or <1%
- 3) 1,060 were Hispanic, or 13.5% compared to 13.8% of the community
- 4) 6,450 were white, or 81.3% compared to 81.4% of the community
- 5) 122 were black, or 1.6% [NOTE: I looked up the demographics, and blacks constitute 0.77% of the population. Chief Johnson is disinclined to weight very heavily the statistics related to black stops because he doesn't consider the sample size to be statistically significant, however, the stop rate appears to be twice the representation of African Americans in Idaho Falls. I agree it's hard to draw conclusions, but we shouldn't shy from the data.]

In general, Chief Johnson believes that the police initiated contact is roughly equal to the demographics of our city.

He is concerned that some cities are seeing a retreat in the number of law enforcement with a commensurate increase in the rate of crime.

Chairwoman asked him what the one thing was that he would ask from a public safety standpoint. Chief Johnson indicated that he would ask the community to engage with them.

Next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Thursday, July _____ at 7:00 at Creekside Counseling, 550 W. Sunnyside Ste. 1, Idaho Falls. The meeting will either be in-person or via ZOOM, depending on the conditions in the community.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Idaho Falls Sister City Youth Approved Meeting-Minutes

This meeting was conducted using the platform Zoom

July 1, 2020

Attendees

Stephanie VanAusdlen	Nathan Peck	Maggie Boring	Gabe Padron
Charlotte Combs	Sam Hawker	Carter Thompson	Nicholas Cebull
Jackson Corbridge	Jorge Padron	Laura Combs	Kendra Peck
Lori Kidwell	David Eaton	Tim Thompson	Max Medema
Jackie Sugai	Mike Medema	Heather Medema	

Approval of minutes

Lori Kidwell motioned to approve the June 15, 2020 meeting minutes. It was seconded by Jorge Padron. Passed.

Treasurer's Report

The treasure stated the status of each account.

Friendship Garden

We don't have any date planned yet, although it is expected that sometime in the middle of July, there will probably be more information regarding a project, at the next meeting on July 13.

Fundraiser

Garage Sale

The garage sale does not have a set date yet, although if possible, we would prefer to finish it at the end of summer, although the reason that there is no set date, is because of the coronavirus. Until that is solved, we will not have an exact date.

Fundraisers

Cherry Blossom Raffle

The Raffle will be closing next Wednesday. Sell as many tickets as you can. Get the word out..

Reminder

The next meeting is on July 13, 2020 at 7:00. Please put the July 13th meeting on your calendar. A reminder email notice will be sent out before the meeting. August meetings: 5th and the 17th, September meetings: 2nd and the 14th, October meetings: 7th and the 19th, November Meetings: 4th and 16th, and December meetings: 2nd and 14th.

Student Activity

Student Presentation

Tonight's lesson was taught by Nathan Peck, regarding Commonly used Japanese phrases. After showing a slideshow(which can be found at the bottom of the page), called everyone to find Japanese items located around their home, or Japanese words, which they translated to find what it was in a certain amount of time. The words were all on the slideshow below.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1RmpsVpKMuscqFNC7zEFG6_eD6UIkVELGtBhf0qNb6dY/edit?usp=sharing

July 13, 2020 Student Presentation

Max Medema volunteered to present the student activity.

Meeting Adjourned

Jorge Padron motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Max Medema..



MEMORANDUM

FROM: Randy Fife
DATE: Monday, July 27, 2020
RE: City Bus Stop Bench Program Discussion

Council Action Desired

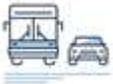
- Ordinance
- Resolution
- Public Hearing
- Other Action (Approval, Authorization, Ratification, etc)

Discuss City bus bench program and give direction to staff regarding future action (or take other action deemed appropriate).

Description, Background Information & Purpose

By City Ordinance (IFCC8-8-11 through 8-8-35), the City currently licenses locations within City right-of-way for the placement of bus stop benches. Staff seeks Council direction because current locations of bus stop benches do not comply with the Code; currently suspended bus routes are being re-evaluated as part of a reorganization of Targhee Regional Public Transportation Authority (TRPTA); and there are concerns regarding regulation of advertising on City right-of-way. Options include enforcement, reorganization, or rescission of the bus stop bench program; or moving to contractual relationships with TRPTA or others.

Relevant PBB Results & Department Strategic Plan

							
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Review of the City bus stop bench program is good governance and public transportation systems are important to City values and goals.

Interdepartmental Coordination

Interdepartmental coordination includes Community Development, Municipal Services, Public Works, and Legal.

Fiscal Impact

Loss of approximately six hundred dollars (\$600) yearly in bus stop bench licensing fees .

Legal Review

Reviewed by the Legal Department.



MEMORANDUM

FROM: Randall Fife
DATE: Monday, July 27, 2020
RE: City door-to-door solicitation licensing amendments

Council Action Desired

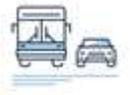
- Ordinance Resolution Public Hearing
- Other Action (Approval, Authorization, Ratification, etc)

Approve the Ordinance amending the door-to-door licensing amendments to the City Code under a suspension of the rules requiring three complete and separate readings and direct that it be read by title and published by summary (or consider the Ordinance on the first reading and that it be read by title, or reject the Ordinance).

Description, Background Information & Purpose

The City regulates door-to-door solicitation in certain non-commercial zones, with certain exceptions. At the direction of the Council and in response to case law interpretation of similar regulations, the City Attorney’s staff and the Police Department recommend changes to the current Code to clarify the conditions of license approval, as provided in the accompanying draft Ordinance.

Relevant PBB Results & Department Strategic Plan

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Clarifying the conditions of license approval promotes good governance and provides better tools for enforcement of public safety regulation.

Interdepartmental Coordination

Interdepartmental coordination will be Police and Legal Departments.

Fiscal Impact

The action will have no known fiscal impact to City finance.

Legal Review

Draft Ordinance reviewed by Legal Department.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO, AMENDING CITY CODE SECTIONS 4-8-4 AND 4-8-6 TO PROHIBIT THOSE CONVICTED OF HEINOUS FELONIES FROM OBTAINING DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITATION PERMITS AND SETTING NARROWLY TAILORED LIMITS ON THOSE CONVICTED OF CRIMES INVOLVING AN ELEMENT OF VIOLENCE, DISHONESTY, OR MORAL TURPITUDE FROM OBTAINING DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITATION PERMITS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, PUBLICATION BY SUMMARY, AND ESTABLISHING EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Idaho Falls City Council desires to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public from negative impacts associated with soliciting and door-to-door solicitation; and

WHEREAS, the regulation of door-to-door solicitation prevents crime and protects the privacy of the City's residents; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to balance the protection of its residents with individual's First Amendment rights to engage in free speech and individual's right to pursue an honest living; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the City has a legitimate and compelling interest in protecting the safety of its residents in the most important place, the resident's home; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that prohibiting those who have been convicted of the most heinous felonies from obtaining a door-to-door solicitation permit is narrowly tailored to promote the safety of the City's residents; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that prohibiting those who have been convicted of serious felonies that involved an element of dishonesty from obtaining a door-to-door solicitation permit for ten (10) years from their conviction is narrowly tailored to promote the safety of the City's residents; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that prohibiting those who have been convicted of certain misdemeanors that involve an element of violence, or dishonesty from obtaining a door-to-door solicitation permit for five (5) years from their conviction is narrowly tailored to promote the safety of the City's residents, and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the regulations provided by this ordinance are necessary to promote the City's legitimate and compelling interests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO, THAT:

SECTION 1. Title 4, Chapter 8, of the City Code of the City of Idaho Falls, Idaho, is hereby amended as follows:

4-8-4: APPLICATION FOR DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITATION PERMIT: Each individual desiring a permit to engage in door-to-door solicitations shall file his or her application with the City Clerk. The application shall be in such form as may be determined by the City Clerk and shall be accompanied by a copy of the applicant's current driver's license, military identification card or other reliable form of photo identification. Upon completion of such application, delivery of the applicant's fingerprints in accordance with Section 4-8-5 hereof and payment of a permit fee in an amount set from time to time by Resolution of the Council, each eligible applicant shall be issued a permit and an identification badge containing a photograph of the applicant. Such permit shall be issued or denied within fifteen (15) business days after the date the fully completed application form and permit fee are submitted to the City Clerk.

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4-8-6: ELIGIBILITY FOR PERMIT: No applicant shall be issued a permit if:

- (A) The applicant has been convicted or granted a withheld judgment for any of the following felonies: murder, manslaughter, kidnapping, rape, or sexual assault.
- (B) The applicant is subject to registration as a sex offender under the provisions of Title 18, Chapter 83, Idaho Code.
- (C) The applicant has been convicted or granted a withheld judgment for any of the following felonies within the past ten (10) years: robbery, grand theft, burglary, fraud, breaking and entering, conspiracy to defraud, or obtaining money or property under false pretenses; aggravated assault, aggravated battery, felony domestic battery, felony stalking, or a felony that includes an element of violence,
- (D) The applicant has been convicted or granted a withheld judgment for any of the the following crimes within five (5) years: possession of burglarious instruments, trespass by car, criminal trespass, petit theft, unlawful entry, misdemeanor assault, misdemeanor battery, misdemeanor domestic violence, stalking, telephone harassment, any misdemeanor crime involving an element of violence, or any crime that includes an element of a controlled substance
- (E) The applicant has a current active arrest warrant for a crime which, if convicted, would subject them to the limitations in this section. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to disqualify any applicant who
 - a. Has had a disqualifying criminal charge dismissed; or
 - b. Has been found not guilty of a disqualifying crime.
- (F) The applicant has been committed pursuant to Title 66, Chapter 3, Idaho Code, or

similar provision in another jurisdiction, as a voluntary or involuntary patient for mental health within the past year from the date of application.

(G) The applicant falsifies, omits, or otherwise intentionally misrepresents any information on the application. An applicant who has falsified, omitted, or otherwise intentionally misrepresented any information on the application shall be ineligible to reapply for licensing for a period of forty-two (42) days.

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SECTION 2. Savings and Severability Clause. The provisions and parts of this Ordinance are intended to be severable. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. Codification Clause. The City Clerk is instructed to immediately forward this Ordinance to the codifier of the official municipal code for proper revision of the Code.

SECTION 4. Publication. This Ordinance, or a summary thereof in compliance with Idaho Code, shall be published once in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect immediately upon its passage, approval, and publication.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Idaho Falls, Idaho, this ____ day of _____, 2020.

CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO

REBECCA L. NOAH CASPER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KATHY HAMPTON, CITY CLERK

(SEAL)

STATE OF IDAHO)
) ss:
County of Bonneville)

I, KATHY HAMPTON, CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO,
DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Ordinance entitled, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS, IDAHO, AMENDING CITY CODE SECTIONS 4-8-4 AND 4-8-6 TO PROHIBIT THOSE CONVICTED OF HEINOUS FELONIES FROM OBTAINING DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITATION PERMITS AND SETTING NARROWLY TAILORED LIMITS ON THOSE CONVICTED OF CRIMES INVOLVING AN ELEMENT OF VIOLENCE, DISHONESTY, OR MORAL TURPITUDE FROM OBTAINING DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITATION PERMITS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, PUBLICATION BY SUMMARY, AND ESTABLISHING EFFECTIVE DATE.”

(SEAL)

KATHY HAMPTON, CITY CLERK