

Missoula City Council Administration and Finance Committee Minutes

August 25, 2021

10:25 AM

ZOOM Webinar

Members present: Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones (chair), Julie Merritt, Sandra Vasecka

Members absent: Mirtha Becerra, John P. Contos, Jesse Ramos, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, Heidi West

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1.1 Roll Call

1.2 Approval of the Minutes

1.2.1 Minutes from the 08/18/2021 Meeting

The minutes were approved as submitted. No quorum present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Hazardous Vegetation Assessments for Fiscal Year 2022

No quorum present.

Marty Rehbein showed a presentation regarding hazardous vegetation and snow removal assessment. Please see attached presentation for specific details.

Heather Harp - What do we charge at an hourly rate on these services?

Marty Rehbein - It is a direct passthrough and an administrative fee passed along to the homeowner.

Sandra Vasecka - If there is an elderly couple who cannot shovel and something happens. Is there relief for them?

Marty Rehbein - It is my understanding if there was an enforcement issue in a situation like this CPDI usually works with them.

Gwen Jones - My understanding is that staff does work with property owners and there are also volunteers who also help. By the time it gets to this point, there are usually not many cases.

Julie Merritt - As a homeowner, it is part of the responsibility of owning a home.

Stacie Anderson - We did have a presentation about resources available in the community for people who are unable to do this on their own. This is not meant to be a punishment for them. Made the motion.

Public comment was called for and there was none. To consent agenda.

Moved by: Stacie Anderson

(No quorum present.) A resolution levying a special assessment and tax upon property for annual weed assessments to reimburse the city for hazardous vegetation and nuisance weed cut orders performed in 2020 in the total amount of \$998.50 pursuant to section 7-22-4101 Montana Code Annotated and section 8.40.040 Missoula Municipal Code.

AYES: (5): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, and Julie Merritt

NAYS: (1): Sandra Vasecka

ABSENT: (6): Mirtha Becerra, John Contos, Jesse Ramos, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

Vote results: Approved (5 to 1)

3.2 Sidewalk/Snow removal assessments for fiscal year 2022

No quorum present. This item covered along with Hazardous Vegetation Assessments.

Onto consent agenda.

Moved by: Stacie Anderson

(No quorum present.) Adopt a resolution levying a special assessment and tax upon property for annual sidewalk/snow removal assessments to reimburse the city for removal of snow removal performed in winter 2020-2021 in the total amount of \$902.25 pursuant to sections 12.16.030 and 12.16.040 Missoula Municipal Code.

AYES: (6): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, and Sandra Vasecka

ABSENT: (6): Mirtha Becerra, John Contos, Jesse Ramos, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

Vote results: Approved (6 to 0)

3.3 Resolution to authorize lease and approval of lease contract with Learning With Meaning

No quorum present.

Jessica Miller showed a presentation, please refer to presentation for specific details.

Julie Merritt - Made motion.

Heather Harp - I think this is a great use of the library space and it is helping some small communities who could use access to our library.

No public comment.

Onto consent agenda.

Moved by: Julie Merritt

(No quorum present.) Approve a resolution to authorize the lease and approve the Mayor to sign the lease agreement with Learning With Meaning at 301 E Main

AYES: (5): Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, and Sandra Vasecka

ABSENT: (7): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, John Contos, Jesse Ramos, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

Vote results: Approved (5 to 0)

4. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:48 am