

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Ave
Fallon, Nevada
June 7, 2022**

The Honorable City Council met in a regular meeting on the above date in the Council Chambers, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada.

Present:

Mayor Ken Tedford
Councilman James Richardson
Councilwoman Kelly Frost
Councilwoman Karla Kent
Chief of Staff Bob Erickson
City Attorney Mike Mackedon
Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga
Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe
City Clerk-Treasurer Sean Richardson
Public Works Director Brian Byrd
Deputy Public Works Ryan Swirczek
Deputy Public Works Adrian Noriega
City Engineer Derek Zimney
Chief of Police Kris Alexander
Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee
Deputy City Clerk Michael O'Neill

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tedford at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Tedford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the agenda had been posted in compliance with NRS requirements.

Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee advised that the agenda was posted in compliance with the NRS requirements.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments. He noted that comments are to be general in nature, not relative to any agenda items. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.

Jim Hunt said that he lives over on Rachel Court and asked if they could get a Dead-End sign or No Outlet sign up over there as it has turned into a racetrack. They all think it is a thru street and come down there and it ain't a thru street and then they get mad. There are some little kids over there now on bicycles.

Mayor Tedford said that we could look at that and let Public Works go down there and

see and the Engineering Department.

Jim Hunt continued to say that on the east and west side of Laura Mills Park, there are two (2) dirt access roads. Somebody decided to cut the chain and take the lock and everything off the west side and now it's become an access road.

Mayor Tedford said that those are supposed to be locked.

Jim Hunt said that they cut the lock and took the whole nine yards.

Mayor Tedford said that they could put a lock back on that.

Jim Hunt said thank you.

Geoff Knell greeted the Council and praised the Lord. He is wonderful and He is in control. I would like to read out of Proverbs, chapter 29, verse 2; when the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice. But when a wicked man rules, the people groan. This is election year. Wow! Get a lot of robo calls, surveys, and learnin' about peoples' wrong doings and positive doings. I just learned, well, let's just say I experienced a lot of things, but God is good. God is wonderful. He gives a positive light to live His life, be like Him, be perfect as Him. But then we all fall short of the glory of God. Ya, we're not perfect, 'cause we live with the flesh, a carnal mind. So, I only got three (3) minutes now, I used to have five (5), gotta make it short. You should know that prophecy is coming true. The weather is going to be more erratic, the government, that serves the Federal and the State, have become so corrupt, that they're willin' to starve children because the force of schools accept the LGBTQ lies. They turn children into sexual deviants, prey for an ideology to destroy this nation. But encourage the City of Fallon, when it comes to a point, what is righteous and which is unrighteous, and make a hard decision whether it is righteous and defy the government. The Federal government and the State government, they want to turn this nation into a decadence to make it weak. So, I encourage you, what you're going to experience in very near future, it's going to make things a lot harder. But I hope you make a decision to defy it and honor God, not man. Thank you.

There were no further comments.

Consideration and possible approval of Council meeting minutes for October 4, 2021, October 18, 2021, November 1, 2021, November 15, 2021, and December 20, 2021. (For possible action)

Councilwoman Frost moved to approve the Council meeting minutes for October 4, 2021, October 18, 2021, November 1, 2021, November 15, 2021, and December 20, 2021; seconded by Councilman Richardson and carried on a 3-0 vote as read by the Fallon City Council.

Approval of Warrants

- A) Accounts Payable
- B) Payroll
- C) Customer Deposit

Councilwoman Kent motioned to approve the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants; seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Fallon City Council.

Consideration and possible approval of an application by Jennifer Vasquez for a drinking establishment liquor license for Pizza Barn, LLC to be located at 1981 W. Williams Ave. (For possible action)

Deputy City Clerk-Treasurer Elsie Lee said that Jennifer Vasquez, managing member of Fallon Pizza Barn, LLC, has made an application for a drinking establishment liquor license for Pizza Barn, LLC to be located at 1981 W. Williams Ave. A drinking establishment liquor license is a privileged license that allows the licensee to sell alcoholic beverages from a fixed and definite place of business for consumption upon the premises only. The application has been reviewed by Chief Kris Alexander, City Engineer Derek Zimney, Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee, and Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga and has been recommended for approval.

Councilwoman Richardson asked if they will be at Pizza Barn, managing it, like Roger used to do, like he is always there or is it more of upper manager run it and you will be the owners.

Jennifer Vasquez said that they are planning to be managing it with our general manager. Both of us will continue with our full-time jobs but I will be working as a schoolteacher and will be heading over there during the day. We will be there, all the time, on the weekends. We don't take over until July 1st, and we have already spent a lot of time over there, getting to learn the ins and outs and the basics. We are already talking to a lot of our customers to see how we can improve what Roger has already built.

Councilwoman Frost asked if they have any immediate plans to change the makeup of where they will be serving the alcohol, and so forth.

Jennifer Vasquez said that currently there are no plans for change and yes, the Giants stuff will stay.

There were no further comments.

Councilman Richardson motioned to approve the application by Jennifer Vasquez, managing member of Fallon Pizza Barn, LLC, to be located at 1981 W. Williams Ave.; seconded by Councilwoman Kent and carried with a 3-0 vote by the Fallon City Council.

Consideration and possible approval of a Professional Services Contract with Lumos and Associates, Inc. for design and construction administration support services relating to the Court Street Reconstruction project in the amount of One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$139,000.00). (For possible action)

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that the approval of a contract to Lumos & Associates would allow for design, planning, engineering, and construction services associated with the reconstruction of 750 linear feet of Court Street from Nevada Street to East Street. The Scope of Work for this project would include, topographic surveying, geotechnical investigation, agency coordination, preparation of construction documents, bid services, construction management, inspection, and quality assurance testing. City Staff recommends approval of a Professional Services Contract with Lumos and Associates, Inc. It is estimated that the project costs will be around \$827,000.00 and if you remember back in 2021, the Council and the Mayor recommended this Court Street project to be our application through the Community Development Block Grant Process and we found out early this spring that they awarded \$405,000.00 towards that project which is another huge get for the City and is substantially larger than the majority of CDBG applications that they approve. Derek Zimney went out in early Spring and presented this project, and they thought the same thing, that you all did, and it was

beneficial to the economic development of that area and critically important. This is good news and hopefully we will have about half of that project cost to fund, once completed.

Councilwoman Kent motioned to approve a Professional Services Contract with Lumos and Associates, Inc. for design and construction administration support services relating to the Court Street Reconstruction project in the amount of One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$139,000.00); seconded by Councilman Richardson and carried with a 3-0 vote by the Fallon City Council.

Consideration and possible approval of a professional Services Contract with Lumos and Associates, Inc. for design and construction administration support services relating to the Oats Park Splash Pad and Pavilions project in the amount of Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$90,950.00). (For possible action)

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that the City of Fallon intends to utilize approximately one-acre of Oats Park, north of the existing community swimming pool in order to provide the public with a splash park experience for water play activities. The splash pad will have a non-slip safety surface and various nozzles and playground like features that can shower, spray, rain, mist, and shoot streams of water. The splash site will allow access to the existing pool and facilities. The new splash park area will be fenced from the other portions of the park and have multiple new pavilions available by reservation. Lumos & Associates will assist the City in planning, developing and constructing the new facility through surveying, civil engineering, landscape architectural services, bid assistance and project management. In addition to the proposal for design, engineering, and construction management services, I feel it's worth noting that the City staff has put quite a few hours into going over the different features of splash pad construction, the operation of the splash pads, the maintenance, and where exactly this splash pad should be placed, within our community. In doing so, it became clear that Oats Park would be the ideal home and future home, for Fallon's first splash pad. By design, Oats Park is our hub for outdoor special events, from a park's standpoint. Between the stage, the ball fields, the pavilion, the large spaces, the outdoor pool, and its' location, Oats Park is really set up to handle large scale events that bring in larger crowds. Unlike Broadway, Pioneer, Laura Mills, and Burntwood Parks, in my opinion are more neighborhood parks that get utilized by a majority of folks that live in the vicinity of the area. Oats Park is on a different playing field, because of:

1. The ability for folks to park and the Mayor and the Council worked hard to expand the parking capacity there and those improvements we have made over the last few months and years have really helped alleviate some of the parking burden that folks would face.
2. I think a splash pad, very desired in our community, would bring in double the crowd that the outdoor pool currently brings in. Parking would be an issue if it was placed at any of the other parks. The infrastructure that currently exists at the outdoor pool, one of the largest costs in constructing these splash pads is the piping, the water filtration, the recirculation, and to have the outdoor pool already there and for them to already have bore the burden of a lot of those costs, it is just makes good business sense to place that splash pad directly to the north of the outdoor pool. I have talked a little bit about it in the summary that the splash pad would be tied into the outdoor pool area, but the vision, at the preliminary stages, but we see a fence going to the north of the outdoor pool that has an

access and egress into the pool and the splash pad is controlled through the outdoor pool area and it becomes connected. This allows us to access the splash pad much more efficiently. I anticipate the splash pad being open at the same time as the outdoor pool and would be able to man and staff that with lifeguards and be supervised by the Pool, Parks, and Gym Supervisor. Connecting those two facilities is very ideal, from an operational standpoint. I believe that this pretty much sums up our decision making and how we arrived at this location. As a dad of two children, in this community, I wish they were still a little bit younger so that they could really maximize it because, the outdoor pool is a jewel of this community the Council and the Mayor, you have an incredible job over the many decades of keeping it operational, but there is no opportunity for toddlers and midrange child to have water play activities without the fear of standing water. This time of year, when it heats up, you have seen how many people utilize that pool and this is going to offer an entire other option for these folks where they can bring their smaller children, set up birthday parties and it will be a great benefit to the community.

Councilwoman Frost asked of the non-slip surface and the life of that product.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd said that it was very similar to the higher end playground surfacing that is almost like a rubberized, permeable surface, porous surface where the water drains down through. I am not exactly sure on that, but I would assume that it is a ten-year life span, and then it would have to be replaced, especially with just the heat that we have here. There would be some maintenance costs in all of that, for sure.

Councilwoman Frost asked if we could put in special requests for certain play structures. I know my kids, when we have gone to other water parks, loved the little buckets that spill on you, the mushroom, that they can go in and out of under the water.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd said that we have had a few vendors supply renderings and I intentionally did not put any of that in the packet, just because there are so many options, and I didn't want to lead anybody astray. Absolutely, those will be in there and there are endless possibilities.

Councilwoman Frost said that this will be a huge thing for kids in our community, and I know my kids, when we have traveled, they have loved that stuff.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd said that it is all very popular.

Councilwoman Frost said that our pool is becoming taxed and crowded, so having a splash pad would alleviate the crowding that we have in the pool.

Councilwoman Kent mentioned that I some constituents and neighbors approach me about the splash pad over at Laura Mills Park, just for things for kids to do over at that end of town. Also, have we thought of the magnitude that this is going to be and after learning and understanding the infrastructure, the parking, and everything that we do have at Oats Park, I just want to say that I concur with the decision to have it there.

Mayor Tedford said that he has four kids that grew up on that side of town and as you know, I served that Ward for eight (8) years and I don't think we have changed much in those years, since I was there, they just got on their bikes and went down Center Street to the pool. I believe that Brian makes some good points about Oats Park has just been built over the years – it is a magnet park because of its' immense size. Long before we started, they put ball parks there and bandstands there and the pool there, back in '39 so it's been built as a magnet park and a destination park. In this town, not much has changed and kids can still get on their bikes and ride to that park from almost anywhere because of where it is situated. Okay, I am going to tell you a story; One day, my kids said that they wanted to get on their bikes and ride to Laura Mills Park and I said, you can't do that because I watched too many of those Forensic Files and TV shows and I

thought, what am I talking about – You go get on your bikes and ride to Laura Mills Park and certainly, you can ride to Oats Park, you're not going to end up on a milk carton somewhere. I think that we are still that kind of a community and with the Police Department, that is quite good, that the kids can ride almost anywhere on their bikes and be safe. I am glad that we live in one like this and has a relatively low crime rate.

There were no further comments.

Councilwoman Frost moved to approve the professional Services Contract with Lumos and Associates, Inc. for design and construction administration support services relating to the Oats Park Splash Pad and Pavilions project in the amount of Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$90,950.00); seconded by Councilman Richardson and carried with a 3-0 vote.

Consideration and possible approval of a Professional Services Contract with J-U-B Engineers, Inc. for engineering services associated with completing a Facilities Plan for the potential expansion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount One Hundred Ninety Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$190,200.00). (For possible action)

Public Works Director Brian Byrd, said that if the last one got you excited, this one is going to be good.

Mayor Tedford said that wastewater is always exciting.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd said that the City of Fallon owns and operates Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) that treats wastewater generated by the City and handles an annual average daily flow (AADF) of about 1.2 million gallons per day (MGD), while being rated at an AADF of 2.2 MGD. The plant's liquid treatment process consists of a headworks that includes coarse screening and grit removal, a three-train Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) process, and disinfection consisting of a chlorine contact tank. The existing WWTP, which has been in service for over 20 years, has served the City well but is now facing a handful of critical challenges. After 20 years of service, much of the equipment is nearing the end of its useful service life. Influent flow and loadings to the WWTP are increasing due to population growth and industrial dischargers. NDPEs permit limits are becoming more stringent, as evidenced in the latest draft permit, and may require improved treatment. The proposed Scope of Services will result in a new Facility Plan that accomplishes the following objectives: Establishing projected flows and loads for a 20-year planning period. Documenting known permit requirements and identifying potential long-term permit issues. Evaluation of the existing plant unit processes and performance under current and projected conditions. Development of recommended improvements to maintain a proper level of service and comply with known and anticipated discharge limits while establishing a capital improvement plan for the next 20 years of service. City Staff recommends approval of a Professional Services Contract with J-U-B Engineers, Inc.

Councilwoman Frost said that it is a good idea for us to have this plan on the shelf, ready to go, when available money is there.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd said yes, that is certainly the plan. As that 1.2 creeps up with the unprecedented growth that we are facing right now, and we get closer to that 75% number, NDP actually triggers that we have a plan for expansion or improvement in place and to get in front of this and ahead of it, it definitely benefits the city.

Councilwoman Frost asked how many years do we have until we get to that 75% or is it months?

Public Works Director Brian Byrd said that this firm will do a very detailed analysis of that, and it is not months. The City of Fallon is in good shape and like I said, we are in front of the curve. We have a representative from J.U.B. Consulting back there and they recently have taken over our wastewater treatment plant consulting and I cannot speak highly enough of what they have done. They have been pushing us to get this done, just so that we stay in that driver's seat, and we never propose that 'months.'

There were no further questions or comments.

Councilwoman Kent motioned to approve a Professional Services Contract with J-U-B Engineers, Inc. for engineering services associated with completing a Facilities Plan for the potential expansion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount One Hundred Ninety Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$190,200.00); seconded by Councilwoman Frost and carried on a 3-0 vote by the Fallon City Council.

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Geoff Knell said he wanted to close with this. Walkin' with them toward those who are outside redeemin' the time. Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt that you may know how you ought to answer each one. I was on a show, it was Pass the Salt Ministries. Coach Dave Live, I am ordained through them. One of the people who spoke on this show remind me of this verse and how to respond to people in regarding their choices that they make. And when the Word of God is preached and the people of God respond to that Word in anger and frustration, it reminds me that I should be calm and collected and to answer the question in such a way, with love, but with authority. So, it's a reminder, as a believer in Christ, or if you think you're a believer in Christ, is to really think wisely before you speak. Thank you.

There were no further comments.

Council and Staff Reports

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any Council or staff reports.

There were no comments.

Executive Session

Mayor Tedford tabled the executive session, as it was not needed at this time.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 9:29 a.m.



Mayor Ken Tedford

Attest: 

Sean C. Richardson, City Clerk-Treasurer