

*JUNE 14, 2021*

**T** HE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON, IDAHO, met in a Regular meeting on Monday, June 14, 2021, at the Lewiston City Library, 411 D Street. Mayor Collins called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL**

*Councilors Present:* Collins; Schroeder; Bradbury; Kelly; Miller.

*Councilors Excused:* Blakey; Pernsteiner.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Collins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. CITIZEN COMMENTS:** *Provides an opportunity for citizens to address the council on agenda items or other items they wish to bring to the attention of the council. Citizens are encouraged to discuss operational issues in advance with the city manager. In consideration of others wishing to speak, please limit your remarks to three minutes.*

Molique Prior shared concerns about public transportation and how difficult it is for citizens to get to and from work and/or activities. He stated that youth in the community need more activities to participate in. Mr. Prior submitted a petition with signatures from citizens with the same concerns regarding public transportation and youth activities. City Manager Nygaard reported that he presented the petition at a recent city council meeting and a copy of the petition is available in the City Clerk's office.

Dennis Lawrence of Lewiston asked the Council if there was anything that could be done in his neighborhood under the Noise Ordinance. He said that he goes to work at 4:00 a.m. and River City Church plays music every night of the week. He noted that he has contacted the Police Department; however, due to the ordinance; nothing can be done until after 10 p.m. Police Chief Hurd stated that if the music reaches a certain decibel level or disrupts the peace, then it is considered a code violation. Mr. Lawrence stated the music often rattles pictures on the walls in his bedroom, and noted that he has met with River City Church but they are unwilling to remedy the situation. Mayor Collins asked if Chief Hurd would meet with Mr. Lawrence to work on the issue. Chief Hurd agreed.

Ron Orr, Ridgeway Drive, Lewiston, said he is concerned about the project that is taking place by the church and daycare center near his residence. He said that he was an original signer on a contract that allowed for the widening of 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue and provided a walkway for school kids on 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Since that time, the road has been narrowed to make room for a stormwater retention pond that will catch runoff

from the daycare. He feels that the pond should be put in the draw where it will not interfere. This project has narrowed the street and reduced parking for the residents in the area. The traffic study that took place should have been done between October through Christmas when traffic triples or doubles in the area. He requested to have a turning lane considered off 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue on to 8<sup>th</sup> Street. He stated that he does not understand the purpose of this project. Councilor Bradbury suggested that if nothing is done within the next 3 weeks to let the Council know. He said that now that the issue has been brought to the city's attention, city staff should respond. City Manager Nygaard explained that the project in question is not a city project, but rather a private project by the church and daycare. He said that Mr. Orr has informed city staff of the issues and they researching the project to see what approvals were given in the 1980's.

#### IV. PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. COMMUNITY GROUP PRESENTATIONS: *Presentations from Valley Vision, CEDA, Valley Boys and Girls Club, Beautiful Downtown Lewiston and the Hells Canyon Visitor's Bureau*

Scott Corbitt, President/CEO of Valley Vision, a non-profit organization that provides economic development for Asotin County, Nez Perce County, and the cities of Lewiston and Clarkston, presented the Council with information of what Valley Vision has accomplished in the previous twelve months and what is coming in the future. He explained that the organization is under a contract for services with the City of Lewiston wherein it has an obligation to perform different duties such as business retention and expansion, business recruitment and entrepreneurship, and business climate improvement.

Mr. Corbitt explained that Valley Vision spends a great deal of time within the business community to try to understand how businesses are doing, especially during the pandemic. He stated that they continue to hear repeatedly that workforce development is a key discussion point. As a part of business retention and expansion, Valley Vision is a part of program called Talent Pipeline Management. This is a State of Idaho program that works well with schools to match individuals with needs, skills, and qualification requirements of local employers, as well as ensuring the employees have the quality and skills the employer needs moving forward. Another key piece is coordination between Lewis Clark State College and the Lewiston School District. The goal is to have the two entities fully integrated and coordinated so pipelines can flow from the high school level, to the college level, to the employment level. A major difficulty is finding people to work within the 18 to 25-year-old demographic in jobs that may not pay as much as others. Another key component in workforce development is to understand shifting needs of employers and how to reduce turnover rates. Valley Vision supports

growth of the wine industry in the valley and is looking for ways to push the organization forward and help create new economic development for the future.

Mr. Corbitt provided an overview of business recruitment and entrepreneurship for the valley. He explained that active recruiting into the City of Lewiston is a different piece that was added recently and they have had 23 different recruitments within the previous 12 months. Valley Vision is often competing nationally to recruit organizations to this area, which does prove difficult at times. The innovation hub that is being discussed could grow local business, leverage high college grad concentration, and provide an avenue for workers displaced by the pandemic. This facility would also provide a space for remote workers, community space, and a showcase for businesses.

Mr. Corbitt stated that for the past year, a key piece to the business climate improvement has been pandemic recovery and how trust could be rebuilt for businesses and consumers. Other areas of business climate improvement include retail opportunities, a refreshed website, reception of approvals and permitting, spreading knowledge of the valley to Boise and Olympia, economic forum, community Strategic Plan, understanding the needs of businesses in the city, improving the mood/reducing the conflict, developing leaders, and economic development communications.

The City of Lewiston assisted in the development of Valley Vision in 1996 as part of the Tri-Municipal Group (Port of Lewiston, City of Lewiston, and Nez Perce County). The relationship between the city and Valley Vision is governed by the services agreement with a contract price of \$40,000 annually. Mr. Corbitt indicated that every dollar invested by Valley Vision gets leveraged by \$5.25 in other private/public memberships. He showed the council the growth of employees for valley's top 10 employers, which has increased 22 percent since 2011. The growth has given the valley economic stability to endure the previous recessions; however, finding different ways to grow jobs in different spokes of economic development is what needs done for the future.

Councilor Bradbury asked how much Nez Perce County (NPC), Asotin County, and the City of Clarkston provide to Valley Vision. Mr. Corbitt replied that for the previous couple of years, NPC has diverted their funding of \$32,000 to projects at the airport. He said that he is optimistic of getting that funding back in the near future. Asotin County and the City of Clarkston provide \$5,000 in funding per year. Councilor Bradbury asked how Valley Vision guides corporations to Lewiston or Clarkston when interested in coming to valley. Mr. Corbitt stated that they make the organization fully aware of all aspects of both Idaho and Washington. The recent trend they have

found is that very few organizations have been looking at Washington for various reasons. Councilor Bradbury expressed his concern about the City of Lewiston paying almost four times the amount of funding as others involved.

Christine Frei, Executive Director of the Clearwater Economic Development Association (CEDA) stated that the organization has been serving regional development since 1967. She expressed that CEDA is a member driven organization and is happy to have the City of Lewiston as a member. CEDA submitted a request for \$10,040 to be included in the FY'22 budget for membership through 2022, as well as an annual membership report detailing CEDA's previous year's work.

Ms. Frei explained that CEDA organizations focus on needs and services on a regional level while supporting business climate development. The organization has a five-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Plan that was completed in 2020 and will be reviewed for changes this upcoming year. The strategy plan is developed with regional partnerships to ensure fair representation of the five counties CEDA serves and that document is available on the CEDA website. Ms. Frei encouraged the Council and community members to look at the strategy plan to gain understanding with regard to population, work force development, and major industry growth within the region.

Ms. Frei continued by explaining that the organization offers an option for startup and expansion of small businesses that cannot get conventional financing through banks or credit unions. Currently, CEDA has ten businesses financed under this program with the average loans being around \$100,000 at a 4.5 percent loan loss rate. Ms. Frei noted that the organization has helped to get the Lewis Clark Wine Alliance up and running since 2011. The Wine Alliance is a very promising business sector for the region. In 2010, there were 34 acres within Wine Alliance and currently there are almost 100 acres.

CEDA is in full support of the innovation hub and with the assistance of the experienced grant writers on staff, the organization was able to apply for USDA funds to pay for a feasibility study for the innovation hub. Other organizations that have been assisted by CEDA include the Liberty Theater, the Port of Lewiston, and the Port of Clarkston. The organization was able to assist in receiving resources from Economic Development Administration (EDA) to conduct a needs assessment and economic impact study of the cruise boat industry.

Work force development is a challenge and a serious problem for the region. There are fewer younger people entering the work force than the generation that is leaving the work force. Ms. Frei emphasized that it is important for the region to make sure the younger generation is aware of the

jobs available in the region. She stated that CEDA has worked with a collaboration of other partners including the University of Idaho and Lewis Clark State College to develop a program called the Dream It, Do It program. This program is a youth career awareness program that focuses on educating students on the jobs that are available within the region.

Clearwater Basin Youth Corps Program is a summer employment program that works with the National Forest Service, National Parks Service, Idaho Forest Group, and Fire Wise to allow for actual hands on field work for the youth. Two years ago CEDA agreed to take over management of this program and currently has about 30 youth participating.

Additionally, in area of work force development, CEDA has been supporting Schweitzer Career Technical Education Center and the Deatley Center to assist with grant funds for technical equipment for each center. Lewis Clark State College will have \$3 million worth of new technology equipment and the Lewiston School District will have \$1.2 million.

Ms. Frei expressed how important broadband is for the region. She noted that grant funds are being sought to connect Moscow to Lewiston, Lewiston to Cottonwood and Cottonwood to Grangeville.

Lastly, Ms. Frei discussed the housing shortage within the region. She stated that next fall CEDA would be inviting the Council to a housing conference where the housing shortage will be discussed along with ideas of what can be done to improve the situation. As a regional organization, it is very important CEDA support the Council and the residents of the City of Lewiston to ensure there is good communication throughout the entire region. She noted that CEDA was able to show support to the city and Metropolitan Planning Organization by submitting public comment with regard to the 2020 Census changes that could greatly influence the ability for the city to receive resources that are important for development.

Councilor Bradbury thanked Ms. Frei for her presentation and stated that he applauds the work that CEDA performs. He said that he agrees that the work being done is a collaborative effort and asked what other cities in the region contribute. Ms. Frei replied stating that CEDA has all five regional county governments and 25 of 29 incorporated communities as members. The total membership dues are approximately \$75,000 and are based on population. Councilor Bradbury stated that CEDA is requesting \$10,000 from the City of Lewiston and asked whom the next highest contributor is. She explained that Nez Perce County contributes around \$11,000 or \$12,000.

Councilor Bradbury then indicated that the most common complaint from businesses looking to locate to the valley is the smell of Clearwater Paper.

He asked if there has been any effort from CEDA to discuss this issue with Clearwater Paper to reduce the odor. Ms. Frei replied that there have not been any discussions, and she feels that is not CEDA's role. If there were a potential solution that needed resources to help resolve the issue, that is when CEDA would step in to assist.

Executive Director Jon Evans of the Valley Boys and Girls Club (VBGC) explained that the Club provides recreational services for the youth within the community. Some of the activities provided are soccer, flag football, basketball, and dance. He discussed the recent acquisition of part of the old Lewiston High School property. The organization was able to utilize the Booth Hall facility for numerous user groups. He explained that the main club house and Booth Hall supported approximately 10,000 users between January and May of 2021.

Mr. Evans highlighted the efforts that here made by the VBGC throughout the pandemic. He noted that the Club never closed, but rather expanded its hours and services. The return on investment, in the previous 5 to 7 years, was approximately \$19.00 for every dollar invested by the city. Over the next 12 to 18 months, that figure could jump to as high as \$100 for every dollar invested. That is in part due to the Club organization being able to stay open during the pandemic and receive funding on the local and federal levels. He emphasized the importance of local government funding when it comes to applying for state/federal funding.

Continuing, Mr. Evans explained how the new acquired site will be utilized. The VBGC has begun hosting summer programs at the new location including the challengers program. There are currently 111 youth enrolled at Booth Hall and 141 youth enrolled at the Orchards site.

Mr. Evans indicated that there would be an announcement from the Governor's office later in the week with regard to how the Boys and Girls Clubs can help within the communities. He stated that he is very proud that the local organization played a key role in bringing this opportunity to the state level.

Carolyn Honeycut, Executive Director of Beautiful Downtown Lewiston (BDL) reviewed how the Business Improvement District (BID) was created by means of a Council Resolution in October of 2020. She thanked Courtney Kramer, the board members, and businesses who helped promote the BID. Community Development Director Von Tersch provided staff support for the BID Advisory Board and has done a great job of guiding the group. The BDL work plan was submitted to the Advisory Board and approved in February 2021.

Tami Meyers, Board Member and Economic Vitality Committee Chair, presented the commercial, residential, and public investment improvements. She noted that the committee wants to create ways to enhance entrepreneurship, fill vacancies by connecting entrepreneurs and developers with resources, work to advance the concept of the Innovation Hub, and support the rehabilitation of the Liberty Theater. Currently the committee is working to develop a website that would list all available spaces and buildings in the downtown area. There was a virtual loft tour held earlier this year to showcase residential and commercial spaces for sale or lease. Ms. Meyers stated the committee would continue to work on the development of the Innovation Hub. All BDL staff and volunteers are encouraged to volunteer at the Liberty Theater and Refresh the Valley.

Ms. Honeycut provided the Council with an overview of neighborhood improvements including new planters, seating, trash receptacles, bike racks, wayfinding, and engaging in areas of public safety. BDL is also working with the Army Corps of Engineers with regard to levy enhancements.

Other updates included working with University of Idaho Urban Design School students to provide design ideas for the downtown area and Innovation Hub. The organization is working on plans to enhance features at Brackenbury Square to make the space more inviting such as sun shades, planter replacement, and a top for the staging area. BDL was able to host a very successful Refresh the Valley event this year with approximately 50 volunteers lending their time in the downtown area.

Lastly, Ms. Honeycut provided an update on business promotion and neighborhood marketing, which includes an update to the BDL website, rebranding of downtown and completion of a printable map of all downtown shopping/dining/places of interest/parking/bus stops with a QR code linked to google maps. She noted that the organization is working on creating new events, such as a Ladies Day Out and the return of Crazy Days.

Councilor Bradbury asked if it is a priority of BDL to convince the City of Lewiston to make Main Street a two-way street so that traffic is funneled into town, rather than out of town. Ms. Honeycut replied that it is a priority of BDL; however, she believes that would happen with the Main Street infrastructure development.

Michelle Peters, President of the Hells Canyon Visitor's Bureau (Visit Lewis Clark Valley), reported that the City of Lewiston has awarded the Bureau \$15,000 for the past several years which is used for cash match to the Idaho Travel Council Grant of \$99,000. The City of Lewiston's funding, in conjunction with the Idaho Travel Council Grant, is used for items such as the partnership with the Nez Perce County Museum (Lewiston Visitor

Information Center), full page ads in the Idaho State travel and wine guides, Northwest Travel Magazine, AAA Travel, Good Sam's RV, Salmon Trout Steelheader Magazine, and various digital targeted displays. She noted that the organization's website now averages 12,000 visitors per month, due in part to the enhanced digital marketing.

Ms. Peters provided the Council with the various funding sources utilized by Visit Lewis Clark Valley. Those funding sources include \$85,000 from Asotin County, \$75,000 from the City of Clarkston, \$99,000 from the Idaho Travel Council Grant, \$15,000 from the City of Lewiston, and \$35,000 from private sources.

Visit Lewis Clark Valley provides services throughout the valley which include assistance and support for convention bids, pre and post conference tours, welcome bags for conventions and conferences, visitor information, tourism product development, and greeting cruise ship passengers.

Ms. Peters continued her presentation by providing information regarding the tourism impacts on the local economy. She explained that the direct travel spending for Asotin County in 2020 was \$21.4 million, which was \$10.9 million less than 2019 due mostly in part to the pandemic. The most current information for direct travel spending for Nez Perce County is from 2017 totaling \$95 million. She then provided the figures for leisure and hospitality for both Asotin and Nez Perce County. She noted that the 2020 Lodging Tax Revenue loss was \$901,000 in Asotin County and \$2.6 million in Nez Perce County. Ms. Peters provided the statistics on the cruise ship industry noting that passengers tend to make a variety of purchases while in the area, including eating at local restaurants, shopping for souvenirs, and taking local excursions such as Hells Canyon jet-boat tours. There was an average of \$148 per person, per trip, spent in the Lewis Clark Valley in 2019. The total economic output supported by the riverboat industry was estimated at \$4 million per year.

Visit Lewis Clark Valley has multiple ways to market and advertise the valley including an e-newsletter, multiple social media platforms, digital marketing campaigns, travel and trade shows, and press tours. Ms. Peters noted that the organization works closely with the Wine Alliance which receives a lot of positive press for the area.

Councilor Bradbury asked if there were any statistics available with regard to the number of jobs or revenue created from the salmon and steelhead fisheries. Ms. Peters replied that she has not seen any current figures in that category. Councilor Bradbury asked if she felt that industry was a significant part of the local economy. She agreed and stated that the industry strongly depends on how well the fish runs are. If the fish runs are strong, the seasons



could be open from September through March which play a large roll in marketing efforts. Councilor Bradbury asked who would be able to provide figures with regard to that industry. Ms. Peters stated she would reach out to Idaho Fish and Game for further information.

## V. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Collins explained that all items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these issues unless a Councilor so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered on the Active Agenda under "Items Moved from the Consent Agenda".

A motion was offered by Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder and seconded by Councilor Kelly to approve the Consent Agenda. *ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING AYE: Collins; Schroeder; Bradbury; Kelly; Miller. EXCUSED: Blakey; Pernsteiner.*

- A. CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: 05/03/21 Work Session; 05/10/21 Regular; 05/25/21 Budget – Action Item
- B. ADVISORY BOARD AND COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES: 02/18/21 and 02/25/21 Business Improvement District Advisory Board; 04/20/21 Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board; 04/21/21 Library Board – Action Item
- C. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING: Considering approval of an MOU between the City of Lewiston and the Port of Lewiston – Action Item
- D. SEL ADDITION ADMINISTRATIVE PLAT: Considering a two-lot subdivision of approximately 25.1 acres in the existing Nez Perce Terrace Planned Unit Development located south of Nez Perce Drive and east of Juniper Drive – Action Item
- E. VOUCHERS PAYABLE: 05/14/21 through 05/27/21 - \$2,669,130.89 - Action Item

## VI. ACTIVE AGENDA

- A. RESOLUTION 2021-22: Considering approving the Fourth Amendment to the Vornholt Planned Unit Development Agreement – Action Item (Severance)

Engineering Development Review Supervisor Severance explained that River City Church, 2102 8<sup>th</sup> Street, recently initiated street improvements along 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue and 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Those improvements have been halted while an oversight in the design approval process is corrected. A previous agreement from 1988 contained specific language regarding the street

improvements to be completed, as well as the process to be used to amend the Planned Unit Development (PUD). In 2019, the Church approached the City to complete a new parking lot and other improvements not yet accomplished. The City and the Church reviewed the 1988 proposed street designs and modified them to address existing stormwater issues.

Continuing, Mr. Severance indicated that after review, Engineering staff found that it would be beneficial to reduce the 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue street width to 24 feet from curb to curb rather than 40 feet. The improvements would then include a 15-foot wide stormwater swale between the curb and proposed sidewalk where the original agreement did not include stormwater mitigation features. The area typically floods during rain storms and the facility provides sufficient parking onsite.

The 1988 PUD specified that the Church would install curb, gutter and sidewalk along 8<sup>th</sup> Street once the city designed 8<sup>th</sup> Street Grade from 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Vineyard. However, the city has not designed this corridor yet in the past 30 years. The Corridor Study for this project is an unranked priority in the Transportation Master Plan, so a time frame and funding has not been identified. Due to 8<sup>th</sup> Street being designated as a bicycle route, staff felt it was necessary to move forward with a bicycle path and pedestrian path along their frontage rather than continue to wait for the entire corridor to be planned and designed.

Mayor Collins asked if the parking that is being eliminated is located on the North end of the daycare to make room for the swale and sidewalk area. Mr. Severance confirmed.

Councilor Bradbury asked why the reservoir could not be put somewhere that would not affect parking. Mr. Severance replied that this was the most cost effective approach for the project. Councilor Bradbury asked if there was another area that could be utilized that would not eliminate the parking area. Mr. Severance reported that he would have to consider that option further.

Mark Halgen said he has been involved with this project since 2004 when the Church did initial improvements adding a new sanctuary building and first parking lot directly south of Fingerprints (daycare). The area in question has been a semi-grassed area off the pavement and was never defined as a parking area. When the church completed improvements and added a parking lot in 2019, per city code, which requires off street parking, the church was able to increase parking capacity to between 90 and 92 spaces. The current parking accommodations are now 180 to 185 vehicles, which accommodates all parking needs for Sunday services. In terms of stormwater, in 2004, directly to the south of the Fingerprints building, there was a stormwater retention

pond added to accommodate runoff from the new building and both parking lots to the south. The parking spots along 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue were no longer needed with the addition of the parking lots, so the best solution found was to place the swale in that area.

Councilor Bradbury asked if the church would be willing to dedicate some spots to be used by the local residents that are losing that parking area. Mr. Halgen replied that the parking area was not being utilized by local residents, but by church members on Sunday mornings to access Fingerprints or the sanctuary building.

Mayor Collins asked if the bike path reaches 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mr. Halgen stated that the bike path, built in 2019, stops at the southern new lot.

A motion and was offered by Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder and seconded by Councilor Miller to approve Resolution 2021-20.

Councilor Bradbury stated he is going to vote against Resolution 2021-20 until the Council hears the views of neighbors in the area who are most affected by the change.

ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING AYE: Collins; Schroeder; Kelly; Miller.  
VOTING NAY: Bradbury. EXCUSED: Pernsteiner, Blakey

## **B. ORDINANCES**

### **1. First Reading**

- a. **Ordinance 4819:** Enacting Section 13-25 of the Lewiston City Code which provides that, in the event the city reverts to a Strong-Mayor form of government, the Mayor of the City of Lewiston shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast for any candidate running for the Office of Mayor- Action Item (Gómez)*

City Attorney Gómez reported that at its May 3<sup>rd</sup> Work Session, the Council indicated that it would like to consider an ordinance requiring, in the event the city reverts to a strong-mayor form of government, the Mayor of the City of Lewiston to be elected by a majority of the votes cast pursuant to Idaho Code Section 50-612. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, a runoff election within 30 days of the general election would be required, and the city would be obligated to pay for such runoff election pursuant to Idaho Code.

Councilor Bradbury said that if the Council approves this ordinance and the strong mayor form of government passes, and if one

of the candidates did not receive a majority vote, there would be second election between the two candidates with the highest votes. Otherwise, if the Council did not approve this ordinance, the candidate with the most votes in the original election would be elected regardless of the percentage of votes. Ms. Gómez confirmed.

Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder offered a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 4819 by title only. Councilor Kelly seconded the motion.

Councilor Bradbury stated that there are good arguments on both sides of this issue. However, given the expense and how other elections are run, he leans more to not having a second election and allowing the candidate with the most votes to prevail.

Mayor Collins said that he semi agreed with Councilor Bradbury as that is how previous elections have been done. However, in this situation he believes that if the members of the community choose to change the form of government, a runoff election is worth the expense to be sure a majority has chosen who will serve in office at that time.

ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING AYE: Collins; Schroeder; Kelly; Miller. VOTING NAY: Bradbury. EXCUSED: Pernsteiner, Blakey

ORDINANCE 4819: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON ENACTING SECTION 13-25 OF THE LEWISTON CITY CODE, WHICH PROVIDES THAT, IN THE EVENT THE CITY REVERTS TO A MAYOR-COUNCIL FORM OF GOVERNMENT, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON SHALL BE ELECTED BY A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST FOR ANY CANDIDATE RUNNING FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE"

## 2. Second and Third Reading

- a. Ordinance 4818: *Considering amending the definition of temporary vendor in Section 21-2 of the Lewiston City Code, amending Section 21-26(a)(5) of the Lewiston City Code regarding the grounds to deny an application for a child care facility or preschool facility business license or suspend or revoke an existing child care facility or preschool facility business license– Action Item (Stricker)*

A motion and second to combine the second and third readings and to waive the third reading in full of Ordinance 4818 were made by Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder and Councilor Miller. There were no

objections and the motion carried 5 to 0, with Councilors Blakey and Pernsteiner excused.

A motion was then made by Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder to read Ordinance 4818 for the second and third times by title only, with a second provided by Councilor Bradbury. The motion carried 5 to 0, with Councilors Pernsteiner and Blakey excused.

ORDINANCE 4818: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEWISTON AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF TEMPORARY VENDOR IN SECTION 21-2 OF THE LEWISTON CITY CODE, AMENDING SECTION 21-26(A)(5) OF THE LEWISTON CITY CODE REGARDING THE GROUNDS TO DENY AN APPLICATION FOR A CHILD CARE FACILITY OR PRESCHOOL FACILITY BUSINESS LICENSE OR SUSPEND OR REVOKE AN EXISTING CHILD CARE FACILITY OR PRESCHOOL FACILITY BUSINESS LICENSE, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE"

3. Adoption and Approval of Ordinance Summaries

a. Ordinance 4818 - Action Item

It was moved and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder and Councilor Kelly to adopt Ordinance 4818 and to approve the related ordinance summary. *ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING AYE: Collins; Schroeder; Bradbury; Kelly; Miller. VOTING NAY: None. EXCUSED: Blakey; Pernsteiner.*

C. ITEMS MOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA - Action Item

VII. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

A. CITY COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder said that the river boat, The American Empress, would be in port tomorrow for the first time this season and she will be assisting the tourists as a way finder to provide them with literature and direction through downtown. She noted that any volunteers for future boat visits are welcome and appreciated. The American Empress is scheduled to be in port on Tuesdays and Sundays and it is exciting to have it back.

Councilor Bradbury addressed a previous discussion regarding \$243,000 allocated for low-income housing and homelessness. The City has received \$600,000 in funding for low-income housing and the homeless. He indicated that none of that funding has been utilized for low-income housing

or the homeless and seems there is no intention to do so. The City has a \$94 million budget and if one penny cannot be appropriated for the homeless, then the City needs to readjust priorities.

Councilor Miller stated she was impressed by the Valley Boys and Girls Club presentation and feels there is a lack of understanding as to what is available to youth in the community. If kids are looking for things to do, the Boys and Girls Club have great programs and camps available. There are a lot of events taking place, so it is important to keep talking about them. As long as the message continues, people will know about everything that's offered. Lewiston Transit is offering kids free rides again this summer and the Library offers book clubs and activities for the youth weekly. She said she appreciates everyone keeping it a part of the conversation and feels that it will help to keep the youth in the community involved, which will feed into our work force in the future.

**B. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS**

City Manager Nygaard reported that the joint budget meeting with the Nez Perce County Commissioners is scheduled for Monday, June 21, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

**C. ADVISORY BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

There were no new advisory board or commission appointments.

Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder stated the Library Board has a vacancy.

Councilor Kelly indicated that the Parks and Recreation Board also has vacancies.

**D. AGENDA TOPICS - ACTION ITEM**

Councilor Kelly suggested that Union Gospel Mission (UGM) be scheduled on a future agenda to discuss the rescue shelter and its bed count. The Council concurred.

At 7:49 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder moved and Councilor Kelly seconded to go into Executive Session to discuss an item related to Idaho Code Section 74-206(1)(f), Pending Litigation. The motion carried 5 to 0. *ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING AYE: Collins; Schroeder; Bradbury; Kelly; Miller. EXCUSED: Blakey; Pernsteiner.*

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION RE: PENDING LITIGATION: Idaho Code Section 74-206(1)(f), to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal**

*ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.*

Following a five-minute recess, the Council met to discuss the item noted above. Councilors Miller and Kelly moved and seconded to retire from Executive Session. There were no objections.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Lewiston City Council, Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder and Councilor Miller moved and seconded adjournment of the June 14, 2021, Regular Council Meeting at 8:26 p.m.

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Kari Ravencroft, Recording Secretary

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Date approved by City Council