Regular City Commission Meeting

Mayor Reeves presiding Commission Chambers Room 206

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL/STAFF INTRODUCTIONS: City Commission members present: Cory Reeves, Joe McKenney, Rick Tryon, and Shannon Wilson. Commissioner Susan Wolff was excused. Also present were City Manager Greg Doyon and Deputy City Manager Chuck Anderson; Public Works Director Chris Gaub; Finance Director Melissa Kinzler and ARPA Project Manager Sylvia Tarman; Human Resources Director Gaye McInerney; City Attorney David Dennis and Deputy City Attorney Rachel Taylor; Police Chief Jeff Newton; and City Clerk Lisa Kunz.

AGENDA APPROVAL: City Manager Greg Doyon noted that agenda item 17 summary section on page 117 of the agenda packet should read, "The project is scheduled to begin construction in September 2024." Manager Doyon further noted that an Amended Agenda was posted with regard to the requested action for agenda item 18. There were no proposed changes to the agenda by the City Commission. The Amended Agenda was approved as presented.

CONFLICT DISCLOSURE/EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PROCLAMATIONS

1. Career & Technical Education Month for Great Falls Public Schools [February 2024].

Four students from Great Falls High School and CM Russell High School provided information about the career and technical education program and their experiences in several professional organizations. I M Bison and We R Rustlers extended an invitation to attend the "Live the Dream" event celebrating Black History Month at the Great Falls High School Hub and Auditorium on February 21, 2024 at 5:30-7:00 pm.

MILITARY UPDATES

2. <u>MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MONTANA AIR</u> <u>NATIONAL GUARD.</u>

Colonel Scott Smith, Wing Commander, announced:

- MANG will be hosting a state partnership program in Helena and will team up with members from Sri Lanka, Maldives and Kyrgyzstan.
- On February 15, 2024, MANG will be hosting Leadership Great Falls.
- February 27-29, 2024, the National Guard Bureau PA staff will provide an incentive ride to a UFC fighter.
- The C-130J aircraft are expected to arrive around December 2025.

- Of the expected \$40 million military construction funds, \$21 million will go towards an older hanger, \$16 million for a new composites building required for the new J models, and the remainder will go towards their new hanger.
- During the recent cold weather a water pipe in one of their buildings broke and caused damage to the fire suppression system. Repair will take up to a year.

3.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Whitney Olson, Great Falls Public Library Board Chair, read a prepared statement to address a rumor mentioned during the January 16, 2024 Commission meeting, and clarified that the Library Board is not seeking to separate from the City of Great Falls. She believes that the Library and City need better communication, not innuendos and rumors.

John Hubbard, City resident, suggested a class action lawsuit be instituted against the Department of Revenue, and the gas, electric and water companies for extortion.

Sandra Rice, City resident, submitted written correspondence in support of the Great Falls Public Library Director Susie McIntyre.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

4. <u>MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.</u>

None.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

5. <u>MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.</u>

None.

CITY MANAGER

6. <u>MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.</u>

City Manager Greg Doyon announced:

- Matt Corda, Public Works Cartegraph Specialist, will begin employment February 12, 2024.
- During a recent Local Government Interim Committee meeting, Representative Brewster commented that there needs to be more engagement with local representatives. Manager Doyon hopes that is the desire of the local delegation as well as they discuss important topics that affect local government.
- Appreciation was expressed to Shane Etzwiler for his work and role at the Great Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, and was congratulated for his new position with NorthWestern Energy.

• Two sessions remain for the City's Emerging Leaders Program for supervisors.

Manager Doyon further noted that he would go back and review the comments made by the Library Board of Trustees. By the comments Library Board Chair Olson made this evening, it appears there is friction between him and some of the trustees. That, frankly, puts the Library Director in a difficult spot. Future conversations about the Library management agreement should acknowledge the employee working for two separate boards – one that is being directed to pursue policy initiatives and one that is under the administrative part of that management agreement. The Library Board could start by complying with the requirement to give an annual report to the City Commission.

Commissioner Tryon requested that the annual report of the Library Board of Trustees be scheduled at a public meeting as soon as possible.

CONSENT AGENDA.

- 7. Minutes, January 16, 2024, City Commission Meeting.
- 8. Total Expenditures of \$4,293,761 for the period of January 4, 2024 through January 17, 2024, to include claims over \$25,000, in the amount of \$3,764,351.
- 9. Contracts List.
- **10.** Grants List.
- 11. Postpone the public hearing for consideration of a lease agreement with the Children's Museum of Montana for the property located at #22 Railroad Square to the February 20, 2024 City Commission Meeting.
- 12. Approve a Final Payment for the Southwest Side Street Reconstruction project, in the amount of \$48,874.78 to United Materials, Inc. and \$493.68 to the State Miscellaneous Tax Fund, and authorize the City Manager to execute these payments. **OF 1432.2**
- **13.** Approve a Final Payment for the Civic Center Façade Improvements project in the amount of \$287,091.58 to Talisman Construction Services, Inc. and \$2,899.92 to the State Miscellaneous Tax Fund and authorize the City Manager to make the payments. **OF 1525.2**
- 14. Approve a Professional Services Agreement in the amount not to exceed \$93,700 to KLJ Engineering, for design phase services for the Lift Station 15 project, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement documents. **OF 1817.1**

Commissioner Tryon moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenney, that the City Commission approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Mayor Reeves asked if there were any comments from the public or discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Hearing none, Mayor Reeves called for the vote.

Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

15. <u>LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS AND THE CITY OF</u> <u>GREAT FALLS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES CRAFTS COUNCIL.</u>

Human Resources Director Gaye McInerney reported that City staff recommends that the Commission approve the Labor Agreement between the City of Great Falls and CRAFTS, which consists of 130 employees across four departments – Administration, Library, Park and Recreation, and Public Works.

The negotiating teams included the following individuals:

Representing the City:

Gaye McInerney, HR Director Charles Anderson, Deputy City Manager Melissa Kinzler, Finance Director David Dennis, City Attorney Christoff Gaub, Public Works Director Steve Herrig, Park & Rec Director Doug Alm, Fleet Manager Eric Boyd, Streets Manager Jake McKenna, Utilities Manager Jesse Patton, City Engineer Ross Bartell, Sanitation Manager Jason Fladland, Water Plant Manager Kirsten Wavra, Deputy Finance Director Representing the CRAFTS: Rocco Houseman, Teamsters Rep Mike Mann, Teamsters Rep Brian Boland, Laborers Rep Zach Clinch, Laborers Rep John Johnson, Operators Rep Troy Buhl, Machinists Rep Ben Boland, Teamster Chase Pepos, Laborer Kelly Cape, Operator Josh Dowell, Operator Tony Osterman, Machinist Rob Campbell, Teamster Rob Myre, Machinist James Hewett, Operator Jim Stone, Consultant

There were three initial negotiation dates in May and June 2023. When agreement was not achieved after a last, best and final offer extended by the City in June, the two teams agreed to move to mediation. There were two mediation meetings, September 26th and November 17th, with an agreement on contract terms reached at the end of the second mediation date.

Key items of change include:

Article 12 – Probationary and Evaluation Period

Clarifying the Montana statutory probationary period versus an evaluation period for a promotion, transfer or reassignment.

Article 26 – Longevity

Adding an annual calculation level for longevity after completing five years of service.

Article 30 – Duration

Two years – July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025.

Article 35 – GPS Equipment

Adding a new article for the City's use of GPS locators on all City vehicles to optimize its provision of services to the public.

Schedule A

Year 1 - 4.75% COLA increase to Step 1 and maintain 5% increases for Steps 2 and 3. Year 2 - 4.75% COLA increase to Step 1 and maintain 5% increases for Steps 2 and 3.

Schedule B

Lead man pay was increased to \$1.50 per hour.

Fiscal Impact: The financial impact over the term of a two-year contract is \$1,190,131.

The City Commission may choose not to ratify the proposed labor agreement and direct the City Manager to reconvene and continue the collective bargaining process.

The Crafts Council members voted to ratify the contractual language on January 10, 2024.

Commissioner McKenney moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that the City Commission approve the labor agreement between the City of Great Falls and the City of Great Falls Public Employees Crafts Council.

Mayor Reeves asked if there were any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Reeves asked if there was any discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Commissioner McKenney received clarification that this is the last labor agreement for the 2023 session, and the only one that has taken this long to come to agreement. Wages were the primary item of contention. A unique item to the contract is that it is the only contract that has five unions represented under one contract.

Commissioner Wilson commented, given the limited resources of the City and the desire to pay great employees a good wage, she appreciates the work that was put in to this to come to agreement.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Reeves called for the vote.

Motion carried 4-0.

16. LOWER NORTHSIDE STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT. OF 1467.2

Public Works Director Chris Gaub reported that approval of this contract would completely reconstruct six blocks of City streets located on the north side of downtown and east of Gibson Park. It includes four blocks along 7th Avenue North from Park Drive to 9th Street, and two blocks along 3rd Avenue North from Park Drive to 3rd Street. The project will replace the road sections, curb and gutter, handicap ramps and storm drain inlets of severely aging and failing infrastructure. Handicap ramps will be brought in to ADA compliance that is needed for pedestrian traffic in this area, which is near Gibson Park. The project also paves over the gravel trenches remaining from a separate City water main replacement project.

The project will require closing portions of 7th Avenue North and 3rd Avenue North while the roadway is being reconstructed. The contractor will be responsible for traffic control, road closures, and access to the project area.

Director Gaub also reported that he anticipates 10 trees will be removed to accommodate handicap ramps to meet City and ADA standards. The City Forester will assist with locating 20 new trees to be planted in nearby locations.

The project should start in May and take four months to complete. The low bid was received from United Materials of Great Falls, an established, responsible local contractor that has previously completed projects for the City. The project would be funded in accordance with the Capital Improvement Plan, with approximately 85% coming from fuel tax and 15% from the storm drain fund.

The requested action is that the Commission award a contract to United Materials in the amount of \$2,055,000.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Tryon, that the City Commission award a contract in the amount of \$2,055,000 to United Materials of Great Falls, Inc. for the Lower Northside Street Reconstruction project, and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents.

Mayor Reeves asked if there were any comments from the public.

Shyla Patera, City resident, submitted written comments in support of ADA upgrades and contract award.

Mayor Reeves asked if there was any discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Commissioner McKenney inquired if the fuel tax funds received each year from the State were consistent or fluctuated.

Director Gaub commented that the State combined the gas tax and BaRSAA funds, and that he hopes it stays consistent.

Finance Director Kinzler added that the fuel tax money has gone down every year because it is based on roads in the State of Montana. Combining the BaRSAA money will help stabilize the street fund. The last Legislature changed what the BaRSAA money could be used for making it easier to use for capital improvements in general.

The gas tax is based on a formula of the number of roads and population. As other cities grow, Great Falls has seen a small, gradual decrease in funds.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Reeves called for the vote.

Motion carried 4-0.

17. SOUTH GREAT FALLS STORM DRAIN MIDDLE BASIN PROJECT. OF 1820.0

Public Works Director Chris Gaub reported that this project is for storm drain improvements in South Great Falls to connect a gap in existing piping. This agreement will include design and construction support services for about 3,000 feet of storm drain piping between 10th Street South near 24th Avenue South, and 6th Street South near 30th Avenue South. These improvements are based on recommendations from a Storm Drainage Master Plan completed in 2012, which documented periodic flooding problems in the area.

Connecting the gap in piping will build on previous projects recommended by the Master Plan, mitigate potential flooding, benefit residents in the area, and support any future development by the Great Falls Public School on its property.

The requested action is that the Commission approve the agreement with Water and Environmental Technologies in the amount of \$195,000. The Water and Environmental Technologies team worked on the 2012 South Side Storm Water Master Plan and has familiarity with the area and needs of the project. Their experience will help them complete the proposed design and bid documents in anticipation of a July 2024 bid, and September 2024 construction date. The project is in line with the City's Capital Improvement Plan.

Commissioner Tryon moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that the City Commission approve a Professional Services Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$195,000 to Water and Environmental Technologies for design phase services for the South Great Falls Storm Drain Middle Basin Project, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement documents.

Mayor Reeves asked if there were any comments from the public or discussion amongst the Commissioners. Hearing none, Mayor Reeves called for the vote.

Motion carried 4-0.

18. <u>GREAT FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT EVIDENCE BUILDING EXPANSION.</u> <u>OF 1684.3</u>

ARPA Project Manager Sylvia Tarman reported that City Staff has been working with the Police Department and an Architect over the last two years to complete a design for a new evidence storage

facility for the Police Department. The design was completed in November 2023, and the construction contract was put out for bid in mid-December. Bids were opened January 23, 2024. The bid was broken up into a base bid plus contingency for the construction of the facility, with two additional alternates. Wadsworth Builders and James Talcott Construction provided bids for the project. Upon reviewing the bids after the bid opening, City staff noticed a different interpretation in the way Wadsworth and James Talcott Construction presented their base bid and contingency numbers. After correcting for the discrepancy, Wadsworth's Base Bid price was higher than Talcott's base bid. However, after assessing the bids and the City's allocated budget, the City has decided to move forward with the Base Bid and both additional alternatives. Therefore, Wadsworth emerged as the apparent low bidder and City staff intended to recommend award of the contract to Wadsworth.

Talcott Construction, through its legal counsel, has filed a formal protest as to the bid award to Wadsworth. City staff are thoroughly reviewing the issues raised by the protest. Therefore, City staff suggests postponing the bid award to allow staff additional time to prepare its recommendation to the Commission.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Tryon, that the City Commission postpone bid award and contract approval for the GFPD Evidence Building Expansion Project until the February 20, 2024 Commission meeting.

Mayor Reeves asked if there were any comments from the public.

Brad Talcott, President of James Talcott Construction, commented that this is a complicated issue that he thinks requires further consideration. He clarified that he has not filed an official protest. His attorney's letter set forth, if the contract is awarded to Wadsworth he would file a formal protest. He is hoping that will not be the case. He would rather sit down and talk with City staff to work things out before attorneys get involved.

There being no further comments, Mayor Reeves asked if there was any discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Commissioner Tryon inquired if Mr. Talcott's attorney filed a formal protest or simply asked for a meeting.

City Attorney David Dennis responded that he believes the letter he received from Max Davis, counsel for Mr. Talcott, stated the letter constitutes their protest of the award of the bid to Wadsworth Construction. He took it as an official protest. Whether it is a protest or disagreement, it has risen to the level that staff needs to be able to give the Commission the appropriate guidance and the time to be able to do that correctly, and provide Mr. Talcott and his lawyer the ability to brief the Commission appropriately.

Commissioner Tryon noted that he would vote in favor of the motion to postpone consideration to the February 20th meeting. However, the evidence building is needed and he does not want this matter going beyond February 20th. He also hopes the issues can be resolved without attorneys in the interest of the entire city.

Commissioner McKenney commented he is okay with postponing until February 20th. He inquired what happens between now and February 20th.

ARPA Project Manager Tarman responded the intent is to give the Commission the background of the issue and guidance on what the next potential steps are. Per State statute, the Commission will need to make a decision at the February 20th meeting.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Reeves called for the vote.

Motion carried 4-0.

19. ELECTRIC CITY WATER PARK SPLASH PAD INSTALLATION. OF 1810.1

ARPA Project Manager Sylvia Tarman reported that the Electric City Water Park Splash Pad Installation Project includes purchase and installation of a comprehensive splash pad package in the current baby pool area of the Electric City Water Park. The current baby pool area is hindered by several mechanical and operational deficiencies, and because of the depth of the pool, it must be staffed with a lifeguard. Converting the pool into a splash pad will eliminate these mechanical and operational deficiencies and the need for a lifeguard, a cost savings of approximately \$10,000 per season. For these reasons, the Park and Recreation staff recommended installation of a splash pad and requested Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to complete the project. The funding agreement for this project was approved by the City Commission in July 2022.

The Park and Recreation staff have been working over the last year to obtain options and quotes for the baby pool area. Staff received two quotes from companies that provide splash pad equipment, but the quotes were withdrawn after the contractors encountered staffing issues and were unable to subcontract a local contractor to complete the concrete work necessary for the project.

Staff contacted Play Space Designs, a company staff identified using Sourcewell (a cooperative purchasing resource). Play Space, as part of their parent company Poligon, went through Sourcewell's RFP process in 2021, and was included as a vetted company to provide tubular metal structures and play equipment for local government entities. Play Space worked with staff to identify the needs of the water park, and provided a satisfactory design. After reviewing the proposal and CDBG funding limits, as well as working with Play Space on project rollout, this estimate was updated to include additional equipment but reduced the scope of concrete and dirt work for Play Space to complete. The concrete removal and site work will be accomplished by a local contractor under a separate contract that will be coming soon. This is easier and more cost effective for the City, as well as simpler for Play Space to execute.

City Staff is confident that this proposal will satisfy the project needs and recommends that the Commission award the contract in the amount of \$210,931.50 to Play Space Designs for the Electric City Water Park Splash Pad Installation Project utilizing Community Development Block Grant funds.

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenney, that the City Commission award a contract in the amount of \$210,931.50 to Play Space Designs for the Electric City Water Park Splash Pad Installation Project utilizing Community Development Block Grant funds, and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract documents.

Mayor Reeves asked if there were any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Reeves asked if there was any discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Commissioner Wilson commented that, being a member of the Park and Recreation Board for a number of years, she knows they struggled with getting lifeguards. She is grateful they came up with this plan for the Electric City Water Park.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Reeves called for the vote.

Motion carried 4-0.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

20. ORDINANCE 3261, AMENDING TITLE 13, CHAPTER 12, SECTION 030 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS PERTAINING TO THE INDUSTRIAL PRETREATMENT PROGRAM AND PROHIBITED DISCHARGES AND LIMITATIONS.

Public Works Director Chris Gaub reported that the requested action is adoption of Ordinance 3261 to amend the Official Code of the City of Great Falls (OCCGF) pertaining to industrial pretreatment limits in accordance with the City's Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES) permit for the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant. These limits protect both the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Missouri River from pollutants that are not typically found in residential and commercial wastewater.

The City's Environmental Division, along with the consultant, worked with the EPA taking samples over a two-year period to develop the proposed limits utilizing the latest EPA methodology. The EPA notified the City last July that our proposed local limits are considered approvable, pending City ordinance updates. After Commission acceptance on first reading on August 15, 2023, the EPA completed the required public notice period and received no substantive comments. As a result, the City received a program modification approval from the EPA last month.

Commissioner Tryon moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenney, that the City Commission adopt Ordinance 3261.

Mayor Reeves asked if there were any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Reeves asked if there was any discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Commissioner McKenney inquired if the City was in violation of EPA codes previously.

Director Gaub clarified the City was not in violation of EPA codes. The data was roughly a decade old. Staff wanted to update the Ordinance to base it off current influent and effluent properties at the plant.

Manager Doyon commented that the City is under heavy mandates on how it treats and discharges water to meet certain standards. He asked Director Gaub to provide a quick explanation of pending conversations that could have a significant impact on how we do wastewater treatment for the city that ultimately has a significant impact on the ratepayer as the City has to continue to improve infrastructure to meet those standards.

Director Gaub responded that there are national and state level conversations pertaining to nutrients. The nutrient work group is looking at regulations of phosphates, for example, and other nutrients that will potentially put a lot more pressure on our system. Right now, the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant puts water into the river that is cleaner than the river itself. Now they are potentially looking at regulations that would make it even cleaner, and would drive a lot of infrastructure requirements, etc.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Reeves called for the vote.

Motion carried 4-0.

21. <u>RESOLUTION 10535 CALLING FOR AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF</u> <u>CONDUCTING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW AND ESTABLISHING A STUDY</u> <u>COMMISSION TO DO SO.</u>

City Manager Greg Doyon reported that the Montana Constitution requires that each local government unit conduct an election every 10 years for the purpose of determining whether or not a county, city or town wishes to review its local government structure. The review studies the current governance model and compares the structure to other forms available under State law. Great Falls currently operates under the Commission-Manager form of government.

Adoption of Resolution 10535 places the question on a June 4, 2024 election ballot to determine whether or not the voters want to study the form of government. If voter approved, the next step would be to elect members to a study commission in November 2024. Included in the resolution is a proposal to increase property taxes by 1.14 mills, or approximately \$150,000, to pay for the study annually until it is adopted. The members will require administrative support and a location to do the work.

The last study commission conducted was during 2004-2006. The last time this issue came before the voters it failed in 2014.

Commissioner Tryon moved, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, that the City Commission adopt Resolution 10535, calling for an election on the question of conducting a local government review; and, if approved by the voters at the June 4, 2024 primary election, establishing a five (5) member study commission, and funding not to exceed \$150,000, which is the equivalent of 1.14 mills.

Mayor Reeves asked if there were any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Reeves asked if there was any discussion amongst the Commissioners.

Commissioner McKenney inquired why this ballot language was not the same as the language in the public safety levy ballot that set forth an increase in what residents pay in property taxes.

City Clerk Lisa Kunz responded that the ballot language requirements are completely different from the public safety levy. The language Commissioner McKenney referred to is not required. The language in this resolution is from applicable statute.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Reeves called for the vote.

Motion carried 4-0.

CITY COMMISSION

22. <u>MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.</u>

In response to Mr. Talcott's expression of frustration that attorneys have now taken over the issue that was presented to the Commission, and that frustration mirrored by Commissioner Tryon, City Attorney David Dennis pointed out that Ms. Tarman handled this matter up until the point that Mr. Talcott's attorney, Max Davis, contacted him by phone and followed up by email. He responded to Mr. Davis with City staff's position. Mr. Davis then sent an email with a letter attachment stating that they were officially protesting the award of the bid to Wadsworth Construction.

23. <u>COMMISSION INITIATIVES</u>.

In addition to an update from the Library Board of Trustees as soon as possible, Commissioner Tryon requested an update from the Airport Authority Board. Those meetings should be scheduled on a yearly basis as required.

Commissioner Tryon commented that, in response to his inquiry during the Sentinel Town Hall meeting, the federal government does not have any plans to help fund costs of public safety during the expected 3,000-person workforce hub in Great Falls. If there is consensus, he suggested Manager Doyon draft a letter from the City Commission to our congressional delegation to request that they seek some appropriation or help from the federal government in mitigating what it is going to cost our community for public safety during the 3,000-workforce hub/man camp.

Commissioner Wilson noted that, during construction of the missile systems in the 1960's, the County and City did get impact money.

Mayor Reeves concurred with Commissioner Tryon, although he knows what their response would probably be.

Commissioner McKenney suggested a joint effort of like-minded government agencies with the other three states, cities and counties that will be affected.

Manager Doyon commented that, at the next quarterly meeting, he will bring it up to see if there is interest in doing something collectively and would report back to the Commission. He noted that neither an acknowledgement nor response was received from the resolution that was sent to the delegation during the Great Falls Crime Task Force process.

If the City did receive one-time impact funding, Mayor Reeves cautioned what the funds would be used for, such as hiring and training Fire and Police personnel, so that the City wasn't left with a big tab.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, **Mayor Reeves moved, seconded by Commissioner Tryon, to adjourn the regular meeting of February 6, 2024, at 8:22 p.m.**

Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Cory Reeves

City Clerk Lisa Kunz

Minutes Approved: February 20, 2024