



**CITY COMMISSION ROOM
PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA
April 12, 2016**

The City of Pierre Board of Commissioners met in regular session on April 12, 2016 at 5:30 pm with Commissioners Goodman, Harding, Huizenga, Mehlhaff, and Mayor Gill present for roll call. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and an invocation given. No one signed the guest register. The agenda was approved as posted.

Commissioner Mehlhaff moved and Commissioner Huizenga seconded to approve the consent calendar: Minutes Regular Meeting April 5, 2016; New Hire Cemetery Department Seasonal – Rodney Raschke \$11.00; New Hire Solid Waste Department Seasonal w/ CDL – Ron Ridings \$16.00; New Hire Business Office Intern – Miranda Panzer \$12.00; Set 5:45pm Public Hearing April 19th – Sanitary Sewer Plant Improvement Project and proposed funding; Claims. Unanimous approval.

BARRETT/JUSTIN	SERVICE	288.16
SD PUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLIAN	INSURANCE	344,747.39
STATE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT	2005 VERMAC MESSAGE BOARD	5,000.00
SWENSON/SHANNON	SERVICE	288.16

Darla Mayer, Pierre School District Business Manager, requested approval of Plat of Lot 1, McKinley School Addition. The plat is to clean up the legal description of the lot and to vacate the alley on the lot. The school plans to surplus the property. Sharon Pruess, City Planner, explained the Planning Commission recommends approval of the plat and the request to vacate the alley. Commissioner Huizenga moved and Commissioner Harding seconded to approve Resolution 2572. Unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2572

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLAT OF LOT 1, MCKINLEY ADDITION, A REPLAT OF “LOTS 12-17 AND 33-40, BLOCK 75 FIFTH RAILWAY ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF PIERRE” TO THE CITY OF PIERRE, HUGHES COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

WHEREAS, the plat of the above described property has been executed according to statute, now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission, in and for the City of Pierre, does hereby approve the said Plat of “Lots 12-17 and 33-40, Block 75, Fifth Railway Addition to the Town of Pierre” to the City of Pierre, Hughes County, South Dakota.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2016.

CITY OF PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

BY: Laurie R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST: Twila Hight, Finance Officer

Laura Clark, Specker Enterprises, requested the Plat of Lot 8R, Sand Addition. The adjacent property owner, Scott Jacobson/Ferding Electric, is proposing to purchase this additional lot and replat with the existing lot to expand and allow for more storage of equipment behind the Ferding Electric contractor shop. Sharon Pruess, City Planner, explained the original version of the plat had the expanded area as a separate lot with no access to an improved street. Staff requested that the lot be replatted as one large lot so that it could not be sold separately in the future. The Planning Commission recommends approval of the plat. Commissioner Harding moved and Commissioner Goodman seconded to approve Resolution 2573. Unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2573

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLAT OF LOT 8R, SAND ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 12-24; C.B. BILLINGHURST'S OUTLOT 7 AND THAT PART OF THE VACATED ALLEY INCLUSIVE, ALL IN BLOCK 5 HIGHLAND PARK ADDITION AND A REPLAT OF LOT 8, SAND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF PIERRE, HUGHES COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

WHEREAS, the plat of the above described property has been executed according to statute, now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission, in and for the City of Pierre, does hereby approve the said Plat of Lot 8R, Sand Addition, City of Pierre, Hughes County, South Dakota.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2016.

CITY OF PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

BY: Laurie R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST: Twila Hight, Finance Officer

This being the time and place for the public hearing to consider the request to vacate easement in Johnson Tract 1, Mayor Gill opened the hearing. Dean Beckwith presented a request to vacate an easement north of property he owns in Grandview Addition. The easement was originally implemented by Bruce Johnson, who used it for access to property he owns to the rear. Bruce has since obtained highway access and no longer needs the easement. Sharon Pruess, City Planner, explained that the City has no utilities in the easement and have no need to keep it. No public comments were received and Mayor Gill closed the hearing. Commissioner Mehlhaff moved and Commissioner Huizenga seconded to approve Resolution 2574. Unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2574

A RESOLUTION VACATING AN ACCESS EASEMENT ON JOHNSON TRACT 1, IN THE SE ¼ NE ¼, SECTION 28-111-79, CITY OF PIERRE, HUGHES COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

Be it resolved by the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Pierre, Hughes County, South Dakota, that the 66' access easement located on Johnson's Tract 1 in the SE ¼ NE ¼, Section 28-111-79, City of Pierre is hereby vacated as described below and as shown in the attached exhibit:

The sixty-six 66' (feet), access easement on Johnson Tract 1, in the SE ¼ NE ¼, Section 28-111-79, City of Pierre, South Dakota.

Passed, approved and adopted by the City Commissioners of the City of Pierre, Hughes County, South Dakota, on this 12th day of April 2016.

Public Hearing Notice Published: March 25, 2016, April 1, 2016

CITY OF PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

Laurie R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST: Twila Hight, Finance Officer

This being the time and place for the public hearing to consider the Hilgers Gulch Sanitary Sewer Project and related funding, Mayor Gill opened the hearing. Leon Schochenmaier, City Administrator, explained that the project involves installing a new lift station near Kennedy School and extending sanitary sewer main from the existing system through Hilgers Gulch to serve the northeast corner of Pierre to the Highway 83/14 and truck route intersection. The City has applied for loan/grant funds through SD Department of Natural Resources (DENR) State Revolving Fund (SRF) for the estimated \$1,450,000 project. The City's Comprehensive Plan indicates growth in this direction and the City's proposed Recreation/Event Center would also be served by this sewer service. The loan would be funded by 2nd Penny Sales Tax and other connection fees in the future would be used to assist with cost recovery. Wastewater Service Rates will not be affected by this project. Bruce Johnson, property owner in Grandview Addition and near the project area, commented that he was contacted regarding an easement for the project but was not able to come to an agreement. He asked about the construction

and ongoing maintenance costs of the lift station. Leon explained that lift station cost estimate is \$450,000 and ongoing maintenance would be included with the annual operating budget of the Wastewater Department. Bruce explained that he was told that he could hook up to the sewer for free if he donated the land to the city, which is worth about \$100,000 and then asked if the City has a written policy/formula for these types of situations or just handle on a case by case basis. Leon indicated the City has a policy and they could set up an appointment to go through that if he'd like. Being no one else present to comment, Mayor Gill closed the hearing.

Sharon Pruess, City Planner, presented an overview of a new proposed Ordinance regarding Landscape requirements for new development especially commercial property. Sharon explained that City staff reviewed 5 similarly sized communities' Ordinances to drawn upon and create an Ordinance that would best fit Pierre. The Ordinance addresses commercial property landscaping to improve the street view appearance of property; that is generally not done if not required to. It would also provide guidance so property owners and City staff know what is expected and allowable. The Ordinance also addresses issues that were included in the City's Comprehensive Plan, the Walkability Study, and Greening America's Capitols Study. The Ordinance will be brought back for 1st Reading on April 26th.

Chris Stanley requested to have alcohol at a private birthday party for his wife at the SD Discovery Center on May 21st. Twila Hight, Finance Officer, explained that the facility has been rented for the private party and because it's a City building, permission for alcohol must be obtained from the City Commission. Elton Blemaster, Pierre Police Administrative Captain, explained that he reviewed the party plans with Chris and he has no concerns with the invite-only event where the alcohol will be available only to persons over 21 years. Commissioner Huizenga moved and Commissioner Mehlhaff seconded to approve the request to have alcohol at the SD Discovery Center on May 21st. Unanimous approval.

Leon Schochenmaier, City Administrator, presented the SD DOT Agreement for funding a transportation planning study. The study involves the expansion and future development anticipated in northeast Pierre. SD DOT also has a need for the study because of the highway 83/14 and truck route intersection reconstruction planning. The agreement indicates the City would fund 20% up to \$12,000 of the contract for the study, which would be contracted in 2016. Commissioner Goodman moved and Commissioner Huizenga seconded to approve the SDDOT Agreement for funding a transportation planning study. Unanimous approval.

Commissioner Goodman moved and Commissioner Harding seconded to adjourn for Executive Session for legal issues under SDCL 1-25-2(3). 7:45pm Unanimous approval.

Commissioner Mehlhaff moved and Commissioner Huizenga seconded to reconvene. Unanimous approval.

Commissioner Harding moved and Commissioner Goodman seconded to adjourn. 8:05pm Unanimous approval.

Twila Hight, Finance Officer

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