The Meeting of the Hailey City Council was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Mayor Martha Burke. Present were Council members Kaz Thea, Juan Martinez, Heidi Husbands, and Sam Linnet. Staff present included City Attorney Christopher P. Simms, City Administrator Lisa Horowitz, and City Clerk Mary Cone.

Call to order by Mayor Burke. 5:29:39 PM

Open session: 5:30:05 PM there are no comments.

CONSENT AGENDA:

5:30:23 PM typos corrected in letter in consent.

Husbands, martinez 5:30:45 PM

________ moved to approve all consent agenda items including, seconded by ______, motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

5:30:54 PM Mayor Burke, an email received regarding SRO contract with school district, some information not correct. Jim Foudy is going to share some information on the school district bond election upcoming.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

5:32:04 PM Jim Foudy speaks to council. Ballot for Aug 30th, process of making presentations, so voters can make informed decisions. Last year the board contracted with a 3rd party to do an assessment of the facilities, gave values to every roof, door, etc. Design West identified 150 projects to address in the next 10 years. The projects are varying degrees of priority, 3rd priority is LED light retrofit. District Facilities team met and pared the list down, then went to finance committee, became a list of 60 projects. Upgrading furnaces in schools, operating for more than 20 years. The building conditions presented to board several times this winter. School website has a report and outline of the projects. $34.90 per $100,000 valuation of home if bond passes. Running advertisements and meeting with Ketchum and Carey. Plant Facility Levy is for 5 years.

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Linda Ries Tree City Growth Award 5:40:58 PM for 14 years. For a growth award, must meet certain requirements, budget increase for tree maintenance, and education for city arborist, initiated tree care workshops, and celebrated ArborFest. 2021 Certification. Of all tree cities, 50, one of 4 that got this award. Idea for Growth award is to look for doing more with trees. Ries brings stickers, 14 years tree city, arbor day flag and growth award for 2 years. Ries is proud that we’ve achieved these awards.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

5:45:44 PM Yeager Quigley PUD, continued from last meeting. Since that time, Hennessy is present tonight, has offered to donate to city amount of money bridges, $67,000, proposing to give to city. Hennessy has purchased the bridges, they are in Salt Lake City. 5:47:55 PM Hennessy can answer any questions.

5:48:14 PM Linnet, what happens to the bridges that you’ve purchased? Hennessy, not sure will try to sell. Thea, confused, thought couldn’t get the bridges, Hennessy responds, concrete is hard to find.

Public comments: 5:50:00 PM there are none.

Council deliberation:

5:50:22 PM Linnet, concern last week was Fox Acres crossing, inferior design. City would be left with this forever. Any cost that city receives needs to be commensurate with entire design, not just the materials. We are in a position to decide whether or not we want to allow this change. City should not have to take on those costs of the construction of the bridges.

5:53:27 PM Thea, if we don’t allow this change, can we give more time to get completed? Hennesssey agrees on the Fox Acres spot as inferior, the other one, feels that is better design. Would rather put the bridge in.

5:55:40 PM Yeager, the offer from applicant, provide $67,000 and the alternative design. Yeager, may need to re-bond if cannot complete before the current bond expires. Linnet adds, yes there will be maintenance costs if built as planned, city was planning for that. 2nd crossing at Huckleberry, maybe that is a wash.

5:57:54 PM Husbands, agrees with Linnet and Thea, continue with original design. The design needs to make sense. Okay with Huckleberry.
5:58:43 PM Martinez, spent about 45 minutes on site today. Bridge on Fox Acres, may not be necessary. Understands where we are, but there is a path, bike path, cracks need to be repaired. Taking maintenance costs out and improving the bike path might be beneficial. There is one bridge near the canals, makes the most sense to me. 6:01:43 PM Linnet, what about allowing Huckleberry change, install the bridge. Get half of the $67,000 for the maintenance of the bridge that will be installed. Hennessy, Huckleberry superior design, with no bridge, no maintenance. Linnet, hard to speculate on what the benefit would be. 6:03:33 PM Martinez, thinks the new design gets people to where they need to go. Thea, the question is, are people going to use the path for new design. 6:05:17 PM more discussion on pros and cons about the proposal. Husbands agrees should have bridge at Huckleberry. Hennessey, willing to provide ½ of the $67,000, $34,000. Discussion about where to earmark those funds to repair the bike path, estimated at over $100,000. Linnet suggests asking for more like $50,000 towards maintenance/repairs of bike path. 6:10:25 PM Mayor Burke asks what is the difference in maintenance, Yeager would have to calculate. It is more the unforeseen maintenance. 6:11:29 PM Horowitz, explains how she viewed this change. Change to the south traffic approach. 6:12:55 PM Simms, asks applicant to comment on the new amount. 6:13:17 PM Hennessy is torn, wants a decision. Can we meet in the middle, 42 to 44 k. Council is okay with that. Hennessy 6:14:10 PM $44,000. Yeager would prefer to discuss during CIP process, and not earmark for this project.

6:15:39 PM Linnet moves to approve modifications of PUD alternatives discussed, remove Huckleberry intersection, retaining bridge at Fox Acres, and give in-lieu payment of $44,000 for the non-built bridge. Martinez, seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote. Husbands, linnet thea Martinez.

PH

6:17:42 PM Robyn Davis, preliminary plat subdivide block 5, 14 residential units. Hennessy this is in conformance with the 2018 annexation agreement.

Public comments: 6:18:43 PM Simms asks for comments for PH 248 and PH 249. No comments.

6:19:44 PM Simms, plat note 8 in block 5, duplex lots? Annexation agreement, maximum number of lots. “shall” instead of “may”, Linnet suggests. Hennessy, they are selling the lots, why we put “may” each block has maximum number, this conforms with that maximum unit number. 6:22:02 PM plat 7 on block 6. Hennessy, doesn’t have problem with that. Horowitz suggests discuss density instead of duplex.

Motion for both items ph 248 and 249. 6:23:46 PM Thea moves to approve preliminary plat application for block 5 subdivided to create 9 blocks and block 6, subdivided to create 12 lots, conditions 1-9 are met, plat note “shall” and not “may” block 5 note 8 and block 6 note 7, seconded by Linnet. Motion passed with roll call vote. Listen

Thea asks, how do we make sure this is done? Davis explains, during application process.

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ARCH Davis presents this item, requesting approval for recording Final plat. All units are fully occupied.

Public comments: none

Thea, car port, is that going to happen? In future if feasible, not sure if there is any news on this topic.


PH

traffic modifications ph 251. River street and empty saddle, analysis in packet performed to Samantha Stahlnecker. Stahlnecker, done during Saddle Lofts project, studied city code MUTCD, river street is collector street. Ultimately suggest stop sign which is what is in intersection. Local street should stop, not collector street as what is happening now. Only guidance for 4 way stop under MUTCD, city provided traffic counts, unfortunately, traffic count does not warrant 4 way stop. Suggest having Empty Saddle Trail traffic to stop instead of River Street. Thea, downside to 4 way stop? Stahlnecker slow traffic unnecessarily. Horowitz, we need to listen to our engineers. Yeager comments, need to be careful to not add unneeded stop signs and have people become desensitized to them. Guidance, be clear, but don’t do too much. For comparison, on E. Croy street at Eastridge, primary defining, path put in front of street. Each intersection requires careful consideration.

Husbands asks the numbers? Peak hour on River street, 200 vehicles, 4 pm. Trigger is over 300 vehicles. Husbands, is concerned with removing the stop sign at Empty Saddle.

public comments: there are none.

Yeager, Husbands comments, pedestrian count in next report. Report done for applicant.

Martinez, trusts Stahlnecker’s report, it is science. We have many ways to mitigate traffic speeds. We are working on our dream for River Street for cars, bike and pedestrians.

Thea, removing stop sign on River, would like to leave that stop sign.
6:50:58 PM Horowitz we do want to create impression that we only look at car standards. Stahlnecker, it would be difficult to gather bike traffic since there is no infrastructure.

6:52:45 PM Linnet seems reactionary, track traffic and then puts the stop sign in place. Stahlnecker, not versed in bike/ped so not comfortable in making suggestions on that. Linnet, what about looking at this in phases? 6:55:39 PM and look at this after paths are put in, to look at 4 way stop once bike path is in and being used.

More discussion about 2 way stop vs. 4 way stop at this intersection. 6:59:34 PM Yeager, supports the report conclusion. It is very important to not use stop signs as a speed control. Suggests to not overrule analysis done, have to honor safety standards that we have. Suggests that we do nothing or table this. Mayor suggests, we cannot find standards that are not in compliance to deny this, so please table.

7:06:49 PM yeager prefers to have 3 months to see if we can find more bike/ped information. If the information doesn’t meet the 300 trips per hour, then we are at same point.

7:08:39 PM Stahlnecker, city staff takes this from here? Yeager, yes, Saddle Loft application is complete.

7:09:46 PM matter is tabled.

Further discussion about potential committees.

PH

7:11:49 PM ph 252 Yeager followed same reports that Stahlnecker did in previous item. Yeager explains traffic analysis, each intersection is different. Consideration of stop signs are in support of placing stop signs 7:14:32 PM in city code section. MUTCD code, supports consideration of yield or stop sign at this intersection. Outcome, encourages lower volume approach. Propose changing stop to 2nd Ave and not stop Bullion street. What we really want is for the intersection to work the best it can. Discussion about Croy street. 7:18:36 PM Yeager explains traffic designs and pushing traffic onto collector streets. Since 2018 have received comments about the intersection. Outcome, is recommendation, stop control of minor street, open up main street.

7:22:33 PM

7:22:46 PM Husbands, concerned about Bullion. Last stop sign is on 4th, nothing to control speed of cars.

7:28:06 PM yeager will not go against guidelines. More discussion about potential for change in this intersection.

Public comments: 7:31:57 PM Joel Cater 620 E. Croy, understands concerns, all apply to Croy as well. Consider what you are doing will impact the Croy intersection. Cater agrees with Yeager, 2nd is pedestrian corridor, suggests switching stop signs.
7:34:09 PM Sean Flynn, civil engineer, speaks to council. Flynn discusses mind set.

7:35:07 PM Samantha Stahlnecker, supports Flynn’s comments, slows down vehicles for ½ block. Geometry of intersection are challenging, snow storage makes vision impossible, through on Bullion is right approach, supportive of the recommendation.

7:36:44 PM Steve England speaks, concern Croy pedestrian friendly, people will find path of least resistance.

7:38:39 PM Linnet, staff knows what we want, so for this issue, inclined to go with suggestion. Leaning towards moving forward with recommendation.

7:40:31 PM Martinez, agrees with Linnet, suggests moving forward with recommendation.

7:40:50 PM Thea, suggests 4-way stop.

7:41:57 PM Burke suggests we move forward with the recommendation. Thinks we should move forward with recommendation, which is not what she wants.

7:43:20 PM Husbands wants to see roundabout or 4 way stop.


NEW BUSINESS:

NB

7:47:33 PM BCHA, Sarah Michael, with BCHA is on the call. Michael interim exec. Director, appreciate Hailey office space, have co-located with in the Marketron building. Amending agreement will save BCHA $1450 for next 2 months.

7:51:14 PM thea moves to approve amendment to BCHA agreement with Resolution 2022-063, listen.

OLD BUSINESS:

OB

7:52:37 PM thea moves to approve Ord. no. 1305, read by title only, mayor to sign, Martinez seconds. Motion passed with roll call vote. Husbands linnet thea Martinez

Mayor Burke conducts 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 1305, by title only.
7:55:11 PM thea moves to approve 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 1306, read by title only and mayor sign. Martinez seconds. Husbands linnet thea Martinez

7:55:54 PM Mayor Burke conducts 3rd Reading of Ordinance No. 1306, by title only.

STAFF REPORTS:

7:57:13 PM Mayor Burke asks council to give reports not directives.

7:57:58 PM Yeager chip seal project. Bidding strategy of 2 projects that we have in front of us. We are not in a good bidding cycle, fear that if we go to bid, will likely get expensive bids, suggest waiting for winter time, seems more favorable. Asks for councils’ feedback. Mayor is okay with waiting, thea okay waiting also.

8:01:31 PM Davis sent out 26 letters for noxious weeds on River Street. In February, ADU ordinance, 20 permits to date.

8:02:49 PM Thea just met with Hailey Alive representative, they need a new sound system, will talk to Kevin about it, $5,000.

8:03:55 PM Horowitz, we have a report/update from ERC on diverting waste at events, recycling. Public works funding part of their efforts. Yeager finds the document and displays to room. Pounds of product, rodeo collected 589 lbs of aluminum. Hailey Alive collect 49 pounds of aluminum. Books are from David Anderson 8:08:11 PM remodeled Barkin Basement, hired this author to design a neighbor hood.

8:08:39 PM Martinez moves to approve, thea seconds. motion passed.

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