

**CITY OF FIRCREST
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
FIRCREST CITY HALL, 115 RAMSDELL STREET**

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Mayor David M. Viafore called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers Matthew Jolibois, David R. Goodsell and Jason Medley were present. Councilmembers Shannon Reynolds and Hunter T. George were excused. Councilmember Denny Waltier was absent. Waltier arrived at 7:01 P.M.

PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

Viafore reported that Administration was requesting the addition of Item 14A Executive Session - To consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. No objections were noted.

Viafore congratulated Permit Coordinator Stahlnecker and staff for their efforts in the wellness program that resulted in the City being awarded the AWC WellCity Award, noting that the award provides a 2% savings to the medical premiums.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION & LIAISON REPORTS

Parks & Recreation

Goodsell stated that staff has been busy getting the pool ready for the summer, cleaning up the parks, working on the Whittier trails as well as the installation of interpretative/identification signage at Thelma Gilmur Park.

Finance, IT

Medley stated that things are running smoothly in the Finance Department and noted that the State reports would be included in Friday's packet.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Viafore requested the City Clerk read the consent calendar as follows: approval of Voucher No. 205933 through Voucher No. 205988 in the amount of \$55,053.99; approval of Payroll Check No. 11677 through Payroll Check No. 11682 in the amount of \$5,931.71; approval of Payroll Check No. 11683 through Payroll Check No. 11699 in the amount of \$98,036.59; approval of Payroll Check No. 11700 through Payroll Check No. 11705 in the amount of \$94,750.77; approval of the May 26, 2015 Regular meeting; setting Budget Study Sessions for September 28, October 5, 12 and 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.; setting a public hearing on October 13, 2015 at 7:15 p.m. to receive comments on revenue sources for the 2016 Budget including property taxes; setting a public hearing on October 13, 2015 at 7:15 p.m. to receive comments on the Preliminary 2016 Budget; setting a public hearing on October 27, 2015 at 7:15 p.m. to receive comments on the 2016 Budget; and setting January 19, February 16, March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17, November 21 and December 19, 2016 at 6:00 pm as special meeting study sessions.

Jolibois requested that Accounts Payable #8744 to Summit Law Group in the amount of \$5,472.00 is pulled.

MOTION

Moved by Goodsell, seconded by Medley, to approve the consent calendar as amended. Ayes: Jolibois, Goodsell, Viafore, Waltier and Medley. Noes: None. Excused: Reynolds and George. Motion carried.

Responding to Jolibois, Rosenblatt stated that Accounts Payable #8744 to Summit Law Group is for personnel matters related to a PERC (Public Employment Relations Commission) hearing and preparations for upcoming police negotiations. Rosenblatt stated the outside legal counsel line item will be over budget but within the overall budget. Responding to Jolibois' concern of how high the line item could go this year, Rosenblatt stated if there weren't any more PERC hearings or personnel issues, this should be the conclusion of those items.

Viafore invited public comment. None was provided.

MOTION

Moved by Jolibois, seconded by Waltier, to pay Accounts Payable #8744 to Summit Law Group in the amount of \$5,472.00. Ayes: Jolibois, Goodsell, Viafore, Waltier and Medley. Noes: None. Excused: Reynolds and George. Motion carried.

2016 – 2021 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan

Public Works Director Wakefield stated that 2016 – 2021 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan has been revised based on discussion from the public hearing and now includes the addition of curb, gutter and sidewalk improvements along the north side of 44th Street between 67th Avenue and 62nd Avenue. He reported the Comprehensive Plan Capital Facilities Transportation Element was also updated to include this improvement. Wakefield noted that the Plan would be provided to the Washington State Department of Transportation for approval. Wakefield concluded by clarifying for Viafore the jurisdictional ownership of the 44th Street right of way and acknowledged minor patching of 44th Street was performed last summer by Pierce County.

Viafore invited public comment. None was provided.

RESOLUTION NO. 1379

Moved by Medley, seconded by Goodsell, to adopt proposed Resolution No. 1379, a Resolution approving the City of Fircrest's Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program for the period of 2016 – 2021. Ayes: Jolibois, Goodsell, Viafore, Waltier and Medley. Noes: None. Excused: Reynolds and George. Motion carried.

National Joint Powers Alliance Purchasing Agreement

Finance Director Corcoran stated the membership with the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) would provide membership in the purchasing program. She noted there is no cost for the service and the proposal would provide access to national contracts, reducing the need to obtain quotes or bids when purchasing qualified goods and services, and saving time and resources of the City. Corcoran concluded by stating the program is similar to the State Purchasing Contract and there are other local municipalities using this program.

Responding to Jolibois, Corcoran stated that NJPA might be utilized initially for the replacement telephone system. Corcoran further reported that joining NJPA provides another option to the State Purchasing Contract and reported to Jolibois that for big-ticket items, all options would be reviewed to make sure that the City was getting the lowest price. Corcoran, in response to Viafore's inquiry, agreed that it would be interesting to compare what it would cost to replace a police vehicle on a national basis versus a State basis.

Viafore invited public comment. None was provided.

RESOLUTION NO. 1380

Moved by Goodsell, seconded by Waltier, to authorize the City Manager to execute a Membership Agreement with National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) for the purpose of purchasing goods and services. Ayes: Jolibois, Goodsell, Viafore, Waltier and Medley. Noes: None. Excused: Reynolds and George. Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Rosenblatt stated that Land Use Attorney Carol Morris confirmed that the City cannot apply previously adopted sections of the Fircrest Municipal Code to the Fircrest Town Center since the code was adopted after the center was built, thus the City cannot mandate that the center screen toters and require landscaping be done on Princeton Street. Rosenblatt reported that Cheesman did contact the owners of Innovative Fitness and they indicated they will move their toters off the sidewalk and a letter was sent to the owner of the Fircrest Town Center regarding abating the violations of the City's nuisance ordinance. Rosenblatt stated that staff will follow up on any future blockages of the sidewalk up to and including citations as stated in the FMC. He further noted that this month's Town Topics will include information about toter laws and concluded by stating that residents or businesses interested in changing the pickup date on Princeton Street from Monday to Tuesday can contact Neil Holden of Westside Disposal to arrange this change. Discussion continued regarding vested property rights and occupancy permits.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

Cheesman provided an overview of criminal activity that occurred on the 1400 block of Rainier Drive with a successful outcome.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Jolibois stated that after observing an incident where a son was helping his mother get into a car, he had an idea and requested Council consideration that the Bocce Courts be in honor of the Viafore family. Jolibois noted that the Viafore family has integrated threads in Fircrest's woven history and tapestry and asked for input or other ideas from Council.

Responding to Goodsell, Rosenbladt reported he is continuing to research the viability of eCivis and is checking references.

Viafore stated he was pleased with the dedication and amount of citizen donations this year, noting that the beautification program has been underway for 16 years and this year, almost \$11,000 has been donated - an amount that is among the top five of total amounts donated. Viafore stated he drove Princeton Street during the past weekend, noticed it was clean, and stated he was impressed with the overall cooperation of residents and businesses. Viafore reported that the Veggies signage is still visible in violation of the FMC. Viafore concluded by expressing concern with the condition of the pool liner and was hopeful that in the essence of time, the feasibility study commences at the conclusion of the summer season so that the pool liner can be dealt with before it fails.

Waltier stated he was impressed with the appearance of the City and the amount of beautification dollars that were donated by residents. Waltier asked that consideration be given to dress up Electron Way with baskets and flowers, in line with the beautification of Regents Boulevard. Waltier stated he was impressed with the Wainwright Intermediate School groundbreaking ceremony, noting that Viafore made a short speech about the history of Fircrest, and the second graders in attendance would be members of the first graduating class. Waltier concluded by reporting that he approached the principal and board members that were in attendance and indicated it was great to see that the Wainwright Wildcats were back in town.

Medley voiced support for Jolibois' suggestion regarding honoring the Viafore family, stating it is important to remember people that have made an impact on this City. Medley noted he met on-site with Bart Adams, the owner of the Fircrest Town Center, and reported that Adams is supportive to implementing centralized garbage. Medley outlined a proposed plan for two centralized garbage locations and stated he met with Permit Coordinator Stahlnecker to work out some of the details and get things going. Medley concluded by stating that Adams would also take care of the overgrown vegetation at the back of the Center.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

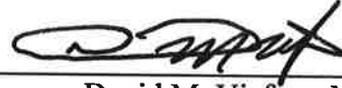
At 7:43 P.M. Viafore stated that Council would take a five minute recess and convene into Executive Session at 7:48, not to exceed the hour of 8:00 P.M., to discuss Item 14A - To consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. Viafore stated that no action, other than adjournment, would take place at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

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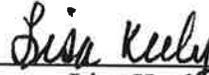
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ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Medley, seconded by Goodsell, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M. Ayes: Jolibois, Goodsell, Viafore, Waltier and Medley. Noes: None. Excused: Reynolds and George. Motion carried.



David M. Viafore, Mayor



Lisa Keely, City Clerk