CITY OF FIRCREST REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2017

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

7:00 P.M.

FIRCREST CITY HALL, 115 RAMSDELL STREET

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Matthew Jolibois called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers Blake Surina, Shannon Reynolds, Brett Wittner, Hunter T. George and Jason Medley were present. Councilmember Denny Waltier was absent. Waltier arrived at 6:01 P.M.

PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

Jolibois announced the 2017 liaison assignments as follows:

Wittner
George
Waltier
.Medley
Jolibois
Surina
Reynolds

Jolibois stated that Executive Session Item 14-A – City Manager Performance Evaluation - would be added to the agenda. No objections were noted.

CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Corbin Edwards, 1576 Woodside Court, provided comment about the Community Center and Pool Advisory Committee.

Discussion ensued regarding the Community Center and Pool Advisory Committee.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION AND LIAISON REPORTS

Surina gave an update on installation of the new play structures at the Tot Lot and noted that the sand box drainage issue is being addressed. Surina provided information about the survey that the Community Center and Pool Advisory Committee had been working on. Surina reported hearing about buses that might be available from Pierce Transit in May/June/July and expressed interest that the City stay on top of this to be in the running when one comes available. Surina concluded by describing an idea he had regarding purchasing a surplused bus from the City of University Place.

PUBLIC HEARING

To receive comments on a proposed solid waste rate adjustment

At 7:17 P.M. Jolibois opened the public hearing and outlined the format.

Rosenbladt stated that the public hearing is an opportunity to accept public comment on the proposed new solid waste rates due to the disposal fee adjustment and the annual CPI adjustment. He noted that the disposal fee and CPI have increased, resulting in an annual rate adjustment of 0.94%. Rosenbladt concluded by reporting that at the January 24th meeting, Council will be asked to pass an ordinance establishing the adjusted solid waste rates.

Staff responded to Council inquiries.

Jolibois invited public comment. None was provided.

At 7:21 P.M. Jolibois closed the public hearing.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Jolibois requested the City Clerk read the consent calendar as follows: approval of Voucher No. 208729 through Voucher No. 208793 in the amount of \$77,595.23; approval of Voucher No. 208794 through Voucher No. 208811 in the amount of \$70,910.27; approval of Payroll Check No. 12510 through Payroll Check No. 12513 in the amount of \$6,076.43; approval of Payroll Check No. 12514 through Payroll Check No. 12519 in the amount of \$85,287.63; approval of Payroll Check No. 12520 through Payroll Check No. 12527 in the amount of \$93,191.65; and approval of the December 27, 2016 Regular City Council meeting.

MOTION

Moved by George, seconded by Medley, to approve the consent calendar as read. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution appointing Councilmember Reynolds as primary representative and Councilmember Waltier as alternate representative to the Pierce County Regional Council for 2017

Rosenbladt stated the resolution, if approved, would appoint Reynolds as primary representative and Councilmember Waltier as alternate representative to the Pierce County Regional Council for 2017. He noted that Fircrest has been a participating member of the Pierce County Regional Council since 1992 and recommended approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 1468

Moved by Medley, seconded by George, to adopt Resolution No. 1468 appointing Councilmember Shannon Reynolds as representative to the Pierce County Regional Council, and further appointing Councilmember Denny Waltier as alternate representative to the Pierce County Regional Council for 2017.

Jolibois invited public comment. None was provided.

VOTE

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Resolution cancelling the Joint City Council/Planning Commission meeting of February 7, 2017

Rosenbladt reported that the Planning Commission has several important and time consuming issues to deal with in the coming months and stated they would like to cancel the February 7th joint meeting and look for another date that would be feasible.

RESOLUTION NO. 1469

Moved by Reynolds, seconded by Waltier, to adopt Resolution No. 1469 cancelling the February 7, 2017 annual joint Fircrest City Council and Fircrest Planning Commission meeting.

MOTION AMENDMENT

Moved by Reynolds, seconded by George, to adopt Resolution No. 1469 postponing the February 7, 2017 annual joint Fircrest City Council and Fircrest Planning Commission meeting pending rescheduling.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Jolibois invited public comment. None was provided.

VOTE ON AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 1469

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1307, Section 1 and Firerest Municipal Code Section 17.04.005 relating to uniform utility billing and collection system

Public Works Director Wakefield stated that based on the adoption of the changes in the utility rates for the water, sewer and storm, and the need to have the utility billing procedures coincide with those new rate structures, it is recommended that Title 17 is amended regarding utility billing that affects the deposits on renter-occupied premises. Wakefield clarified that this will ensure that the ordinances coincide with the newly adopted rate changes and billing procedures, and also provides for changes that cleanup and update the existing ordinances regarding the current billing process.

ORDINANCE NO. 1594

Moved by Reynolds, seconded by Wittner, to adopt Ordinance No. 1594 amending Ordinance No. 1307, Section 1 and Fircrest Municipal Code Section 17.04.005 relating to uniform utility billing and collection system.

Jolibois invited public comment. None was provided.

VOTE

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously,

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Rosenbladt highlighted agenda items for the upcoming Tuesday study session.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmembers thanked audience members for their attendance and participation.

George reported that he will be working with staff and Councilmembers to select another date for a meeting of the Communications Committee. George voiced appreciation to those that are working on fixing the drainage problem with the sandbox in the Tot Lot. George voiced concern about an observation he had that the public isn't getting educated about the looming rate increases. Wakefield highlighted the ways that Public Works has been communicating to and educating the public about the upcoming rate increases. George concluded by recognizing the Boy Scout in attendance and noted it is encouraging that the Scouts boost civic engagement.

Waltier reported he sent this week's electronic packet to Council so they could review how it is being received and expressed support that they consider receiving it electronically as well.

There was interest for a discussion regarding marijuana at a future study session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:45 P.M., Jolibois reported that Council take a five-minute recess and convene into Executive Session, not to exceed the hour of 8:15 P.M., to discuss Item 14A –City Manager performance evaluation. Jolibois noted that the City Manager was invited to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Reynolds, seconded by Wittner, to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 P.M. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Matthew Jolibois, Mayor

Lisa Keely, City/Clerk