# MAY 20, 2019 FIRCREST CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – STUDY SESSION 1

# CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Hunter T. George called the special meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led the pledge of allegiance. Councilmembers David M. Viafore, Shannon Reynolds, Brett Wittner, Blake Surina, and Jamie Nixon were present. Councilmember Denny Waltier was absent and excused.

### AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

There were none.

## **ACTION ITEM: RESOLUTION – WHITTIER IRRIGATION BID CONTRACT**

Parks and Recreation Director Grover briefed the Council on proposed agreement between Soundview Landscape & Sprinkler and the City of Fircrest for the installation of Sprinkler System at Whittier Park. Grover indicated the 2019 budget included \$40,000 under Capital Improvements for the Whittier Park irrigation and Soundview Landscape & Sprinkler's bid came in at \$70,799.35 with tax. Grover recommended allocating the additional \$30,799.35 from the 44th/Alameda Fund to complete this project. Grover stated the contractors would initiate work the first week of June should Council approve the contract. Reynolds MOVED to adopt Resolution No. 1586, authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement between Soundview Landscape & Sprinkler and the City of Fircrest for the installation of Sprinkler System at Whittier Park; seconded by Nixon. George invited councilmember comment; Viafore inquired if there were funds in the 44th/Alameda Fund to cover this expense. City Manager Pingel indicated there was currently, however a budget adjustment would need to be made if all the projects slated to be completed this year were completed. Surina inquired on the scope of work; Grover confirmed it only include the sprinkler system and recommended a master plan for Whittier Park to address the park's drainage issues. George commented on the baseball field and inquired on the project timeline. Grover indicated it would be completed within two to four weeks and initiate while school was in session. Grover noted that there would be coordinator with the school and safety measures would be put in place. George invited public comment; none were provided. The Motion Carried (6-0 with Waltier absent).

# POOL AND BATHHOUSE DISCUSSION

Grover briefed the Council on the pool liner repairs, stating ACME Roofing would perform the repairs to the deep end liner tear during the week pending dry weather. Grover indicated the pool opening would be delayed to June 1, 2019 and the delay would be communicated to the public. There was a brief discussion on preparing for unforeseen issues and monitoring daily water loss.

Pingel briefed the Council on the supplemental information on the pool and bathhouse project provided by ARC Architects. Pingel briefed the Council on the proposed project schedule and upcoming milestones. There was a brief discussion on bid advertisement and alternates, stating the potential bid alternates include fencing, party room flooring, and parking. There was a general consensus to remove the leaf water feature and decorative tile feature around the edge of the pool. There was a brief discussion on the water level gutter system, parking, and heating. Grover briefed the Council on the kitchen, stating it would be classified as a commercial grade kitchen. Grover indicated there was a potential to increase counter space and add a full size stand up freezer with the space gained from the removal of the prep sink, warmers, and cooler. Grover stated the kitchen would be equivalent to what the City currently has and would include open shelving and a six-burner electric range, stating it should eliminate the need for a fire suppression system. Pingel confirmed the intent of the kitchen, stating it would not be used for prep. Pingel briefed the Council on the landscaping site design and Grover added that there would be an

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irrigation system. Pingel stated that the FF&E would not be included in the bid and that the City would be responsible for the purchasing of FF&E items. Pingel briefed the Council on the party room heaters, stating ARC Architects was reviewing alternates to base board heating; Viafore requested to have a ductless system with heating and air conditioning in the party room. Pingel confirmed that the base bid would include polished concrete with linoleum listed as an alternate. After a brief discussion on whether the light pole design met the character of the community, there the general consensus to move forward with it included in the bid. There was a brief discussion on providing year-round access to the locker rooms; Pingel and Grover indicated there could be programming opportunity for events and cautioned against the safety challenges regarding access. There was a brief discussion on coffee makers; Viafore recommended an urn coffee maker for the pool and bathhouse and a hard-wired coffee maker in the community center. George requested staff to continue coordinating with ARC Architects to make the bid updates, and Pingel stated the project would go out to bid on May 30, 2019. Wittner inquired if there were benefits/challenges for a citizen-led construction committee; Pingel stated his concerns regarding how to best utilize them and recommended engaging interested citizens with technical expertise on a case by case basis. There was a brief discussion on project chronicling and submitting the project for awards/acknowledgements; Pingel confirmed staff would take on those efforts.

Pingel briefed the Council on the updated financial scenarios, stating the updated bond estimates were less than the previously released estimates due to decreasing interest rates. Pingel recommended postponing utilizing the bond proceeds until December 2019 in order to minimize the impact to residents so long as the City did not have a cash flow issue.

#### **COUNCIL WORKSHOP FOLLOW-UP**

Pingel provided a status update on the Council workshop goals established for the City, and requested feedback on items that affected the 2020 budget. After a brief discussion on the entry way improvements at Regents and Mildred and impacts to Columbia Bank operations, there was a general consensus to continue coordinating with the City of University Place for traffic signal programming and retiming solutions rather than removing the traffic island. After a brief discussion on recreation and government accounting software improvements and on the costs to maintain and replace these systems, there was a general consensus to bring back these items with additional information to a study session for further discussion. Pingel recommended obtaining an IT audit to review the City's system and indicated he would provide more information later in the year.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Reynolds MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 P.M., seconded by Nixon. <u>The Motion</u> Carried (6-0 with Waltier absent).

George, Mayor

Jessica Nappi, City Clerk