

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF REDMOND WAS HELD JANUARY 25, 2022, VIA GOTOMEETING.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Krisanna Clark-Endicott – George Endicott – Clifford Evelyn – Ed Fitch – Jay Patrick – Shannon Wedding – Cat Zwicker

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Keith Witcosky – City Attorney Keith Leitz – Airport Director Zachary Bass – Police Chief Devin Lewis – Public Works Director Bill Duerden – Communications Director Heather Cassaro – Deputy City Manager John Roberts – IT Specialist Sheri Cleveland – Chief Financial Officer Jason Neff – Accounting and Financial Reporting Director Brooks Slyter – Water Utilities Manager Joshua Wedding

MEDIA PRESENT: None

Mayor Endicott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established.

BLESSING

Father Todd Unger from St. Thomas Catholic Church led the blessing.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Wedding led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS AT THE MEETING

High School Student Olivia O'Rourke expressed her support for the Redmond School District's Weapons in Schools policy and added the policy helps keep violent objects and weapons off school property where students are trying to get an education.

PRESENTATIONS

A. 2022 Oregon Legislative Session Preview with Doug Riggs

Central Oregon Cities Organization Lobbyist Doug Riggs outlined the various items being considered in the upcoming 35-day legislative session noting the shortened session means very quick turnarounds for bills going through committees. In addition, the committee meetings will be largely remote due to seismic retrofitting work being done to the Capitol building. While approximately 380 bills can be introduced, Mr. Riggs predicts no more than 110 will pass due to the difficult circumstances with this legislative session. One issue specifically highlighted by Mr. Riggs centers on workforce training and development with two bills expected to be brought forward. Mr. Riggs shared that 11 of the 90 legislators will be new when the session starts on February 1 adding that when the 2023 legislative session starts 14 of the 30 Senators will have been in the Senate less than four years. He explained this will be challenging and will require educating new Senators on the issues facing Central Oregon's and why their help is necessary. Mr. Riggs addressed questions throughout his presentation.

BID AWARDS/BID REJECTIONS

A. Approval of a contract of up to five-years with S&B Inc. for Engineering Services for Water System Telemetry, Control and Management Reporting: \$750,000

Water Utilities Manager Joshua Wedding requested approval of a contract with S&B Inc. in a not to exceed amount of \$750,000 for the total contract and a not to exceed amount of \$150,000 per year. The contract has an initial term of three years with two optional one-year extensions. The purpose of the contract is for on-call professional engineering services and includes design, fabrication and installation of various supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) components, troubleshooting and repair services, process engineering, and system integration. The City issued a formal Request for Proposal and received one proposal. S&B Inc is the current provider of these services.

Councilor Patrick moved, seconded by Councilor Clark-Endicott, to authorize the City Manager to sign a three-year contract with an option to renew for two one-year terms with S&B Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for Water System Telemetry, Control and Management Reporting, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000, motion passed. (Clark-Endicott-yes, Endicott-yes, Evelyn-yes, Fitch-yes, Patrick-yes, Wedding-yes, Zwicker-yes)

ACTION ITEMS

A. Adoption of Updated Title VI Civil Rights Plan

City Attorney Keith Leitz requested adoption of the City's updated Title VI Civil Rights Plan (Plan). This Plan must be approved every three years per the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and coincides with the Oregon Department of Transportation's requirement that all subrecipients file a Title VI Plan with them every three years as well. The last update occurred in 2019 and no civil rights complaints have been received.

Councilor Patrick moved, seconded by Councilor Zwicker, to approve the City of Redmond's Title VI Civil Rights Plan, motion passed. (Clark-Endicott-yes, Endicott-yes, Evelyn-yes, Fitch-yes, Patrick-yes, Wedding-yes, Zwicker-yes)

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Endicott thanked everyone for attending the Council meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor Zwicker spoke to the need for childcare noting that a viable part of Redmond's workforce is choosing to stay home because the majority of their wages are going to cover the costs of childcare.

Councilor Wedding shared details of the recent Historic Landmarks Commission meeting.

Councilor Fitch commented on the weather noting that without snow, it will be a difficult summer.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Keith Witcosky stated the ice rink will remain open through February 15 because the Chamber of Commerce has additional Northern Lights events planned. Mr. Witcosky shared the various upcoming meeting topics with the Council. He also announced that new City Engineer Jessica MacClanahan will begin shadowing the current City Engineer Mike Caccavano and will take over duties full-time in late April.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS AT THE MEETING

There were no additional comments from citizens at the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Prepared by Kelly Morse, City Recorder

APPROVED by the City Council and SIGNED by the Council President this 6th day of September 2022.

/s/ Robert J. Patrick
Robert J. Patrick, Council President

ATTEST:

/s/ Kelly Morse
Kelly Morse, City Recorder