**MINUTES**

**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, July 14, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.

Via Zoom meeting + at Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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**Weber County Commissioners:** Gage Froerer, James “Jim” H. Harvey, and Scott K. Jenkins

**Staff Present:** Ricky D. Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Christopher Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Fátima Fernelius, of the Clerk/Auditor’s Office, who took minutes

1. **Welcome** - Chair Froerer

**B. Pledge of Allegiance** - Ashley Thoman

**C. Invocation** - Tammy Aydelotte

**D. Thought of the Day** - Commissioner Jenkins

**E.** **Public Comments:** Lori Brinkerhoff, of Hooper, expressed deep appreciation to the commissioners for transparency in broadcasting these meetings, for their conduct throughout this pandemic, for their respect for each other, and for staff’s professionalism. She said that the county is administering 90% of the $11.1 million CARES Act funding, which she feels is the wisest action to best help businesses. Chair Froerer said that the county made this policy decision and that cities realized the importance of putting their money with the county’s.

**F. Consent Items:**

1. Warrants #2888-2903 and #450707-450867 in the amount of $728,091.86

2. Purchase orders in the amount $69,005.99

3. Minutes for the meeting held on July 7, 2020

4. Surplus training supplies from Human Resources

5. Surplus file cabinets from Human Resources

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**G. Action Items:**

1. **Report from the Children’s Justice Center (CJC) on Victims of Crime Act grant (VOCA)**

Roberta Dustin, from the CJC, reported that the new grant funding of about $243,000 will be primarily spent for client services, staff salaries/benefits, etc. They supplied 240 hours of direct therapy for children in the last quarter.

2. **Contract with State of Utah for CJC general operation allocation Amendment #7 to UT contract #160230**

Roberta Dustin, from the CJC, stated that allocation increased by $8,000 this year. They had underspent on the budget but had another area where they could defer about $25,000, which the State allowed.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the contract with the State of Utah for CJC general operation allocation Amendment #7 to State contract #160230; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

3. **Amendment #3 to Contract #180252 with the State of Utah for forensic interviewer expenses**

Roberta Dustin, from the CJC, stated that this contract pays primarily for a fulltime forensic interviewer and does some match to VOCA funding for a part time forensic interviewer. It is the same amount as last year.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve Amendment #3 to Contract #180252 with the State of Utah for forensic interviewer expenses; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

4. **Contract with Knight Irrigation Group on the 12th Street project allowing Knight Irrigation Group to perform Segment 3 to avoid impacts to the irrigation system**

Gary Myers, of County Engineering, stated that one of the change orders on the project eliminated some work that the county’s contractor was going to do and allowed Knight Irrigation to install their own system. A portion of their irrigation facility crosses under 12th Street that serves some of their customers.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the contract with Knight Irrigation Group on the 12th Street project allowing Knight Irrigation Group to perform Segment 3 to avoid impacts to irrigation system; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

5. **Interlocal Agreement with South Ogden Community Development and Renewal Agency for the City Center Community Reinvestment Project Area**

Holin Wilbanks, of County Economic Development, via Zoom meeting, stated that this item has been worked on for several months, that it overlaps the City’s opportunity zone, and is an opportunity for the City to promote residential and commercial growth. The contract was reviewed by the county’s finance committee (including the Comptroller, Attorney’s Office). It is at 75% participation rate over a 20-year period with a $4 million cap.

Matt Dixon, of South Ogden, said that the area is between about 36th and 40th Streets, Riverdale Road and Washington Blvd., and had been on the City’s radar for many years to find ways to revitalize it. He said that there is a high number of people who daily leave the county for employment and one lofty goal for this mixed use area (housing/commercial/retail) is to have up to 100,000 sq. ft. of new commercial office and to keep people here.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement with South Ogden Community Development and Renewal Agency for the City Center Community Reinvestment Project Area; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

6. **Contract with Sunrise Engineering, Inc., to provide engineering services to design a storm drain outfall**

Ashley Thoman, of County Engineering, stated that this contract resulted from a request for proposals. It is to take water out of the Eden Acres Subdivision area where there have been flooding issues, and discharge it to a more acceptable location. County Engineering had spoken with the county surveying department, which has agreed to perform the surveying services; this will help save money. They plan for County Engineering to perform some outreach/custom engineering approaches and for the consultant to handle more of the design analysis to also save money. He addressed Commissioner Jenkins’ question stating that this is not so much flooding from the development that causes the issue but runoff from surrounding areas and the complexity with the area irrigation ditches. County stormwater impact fees will pay for this. Chair Froerer said that the issue is not from a particular subdivision but the hillside from Wolf Creek to the Browning ranch area, which then wraps around the Middle Fork area, and impacts all of those subdivisions due to winter sheet flow impacts from the ice melt.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the contract with Sunrise Engineering, Inc., to provide engineering services to design a storm drain outfall; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

7. **Final approval of Fenster Farms Phase ~~2~~ 3 Subdivision, a nine-lot subdivision, including acceptance of a publicly dedicated road (560 North St.)**

Regarding the typo on the phase number, the information had been uploaded to the county’s website correctly. Tammy Aydelotte, of the County Planning Division, stated that this item includes creation of a couple of new county roads and continuation of an existing county road. It includes an improvement agreement for about $85,000.

Commissioner Harvey moved to grant final approval of Fenster Farms Phase 3 Subdivision, a nine-lot subdivision, including acceptance of a publicly dedicated road and improvement agreement; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

8. **Policy governing distribution of CARES Act Funds to small businesses under Weber CARES grant program**

Christopher Crockett, Deputy County Attorney, stated that as discussed last week, the State received federal funds and distributed a portion to counties and municipalities to cover necessary expenditures/losses due to COVID-19. He read the first three Policy sections which included that our county’s action is a permitted use of these federal dollars to reimburse certain small businesses. It was important as the county established the Weber CARES Grant Program that the process was outlined for receiving and objectively evaluating applications according to statute.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the policy governing the distribution of CARES Act Funds to small businesses under the Weber CARES Grant Program; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

9. **Contract with Wasatch Wigeons Association to provide waterfowl nest structures, predator management & removal of invasive species at Kingfisher wetlands area of Observatory Park**

Todd Ferrario, County Ice Sheet and Parks & Recreation Division Director, presented the renewal of this stewardship agreement at no cost to the county. Wasatch Wigeons, a non-profit, desires to promote conservation efforts for the benefit of waterfowl and wildlife in the Kingfisher Wetlands area. Commissioner Harvey said that this is a great group that cares about water fowl protection and Mr. Ferrario concurred, expressing his appreciation for them.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the contract with Wasatch Wigeons Association to provide waterfowl nest structures, predator management and removal of invasive species at the Kingfisher wetlands area of Observatory Park; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**H. Commissioner Comments: --**

**I. Adjourn**

Commissioner Jenkins moved to adjourn at 10:55 a.m.; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair Ricky D. Hatch, CPA

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