

## **Finance Committee Meeting July 2, 2012**

The **Finance Committee** met July 2, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room. Present were Chairperson Mark Ahner and Committee Members Bill Melnik and Jerry Partridge. Committee member Roxanna Brush was excused. Also present were Mayor Chris Grenz, City Planner Dianna Broadie, Fire Chief Dale Berg, and Recorder City Clerk Becky Stanton.

### **Request to waive Ambulance bill**

Chairperson Ahner asked everyone except the Committee Members, Fire Chief, Recorder and ambulance client to step out of the meeting due to privacy laws. The patient's spouse provided written and verbal explanations describing the situation. Chairperson Ahner explained that previous requests have been denied and that the patient negotiates a monthly amount to pay.

\* \* *No motion was made, so the request died.*

### **Review of Resolution No. 3506 - A Resolution Authorizing The Leasing To Todd Neiffer And Elizabeth Neiffer Of Miles City, Of Lots 6 And 7 Of Tract E Of The Industrial Site Owned By The City Of Miles City, Montana;**

\* \* *Committee Member Partridge moved to recommend to the Council to approve the Resolution, read by title only, and seconded by Committee Member Melnik. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

### **Review of Resolution No. 3507- A Resolution Pursuant To §7-6-4006 Of The Montana Code Annotated, Authorizing Amendment Of Final Budget For FY 2011-2012 For State Of Montana Payments On Behalf Of Retirement Accounts And Providing For Hearing Thereon**

\* \* *Committee Member Melnik moved to recommend to the City Council to approve the Resolution, read by title only, and seconded by Committee Member Partridge. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

**Review of Ordinance No. 1245: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 796 To Change The Zoning Of Tract 2A, JE Morrison Tracts, Section 34, Township 8 North, Range 47 East, Custer County Montana, Located On The Southwest Corner Of Haynes Avenue And Leighton Boulevard And Bordered On The West By Legion Avenue From Heavy Commercial District To General Commercial District, Providing For A Hearing Thereon, And Providing An Effective Date Thereof**

Planner Dianna Broadie explained this Ordinance has received a tie vote from the Zoning Commission. This was because the owner of this property was uncertain of its use at the time of the Zoning Commission meeting. Mayor Grenz, a member of the Zoning Commission, explained that he voted nay because the owner did not have any set plans for the site. Recently the owner submitted a plan for the property, so the Mayor is comfortable with approving the Ordinance.

\* \* *Committee Member Ahner moved to recommend to the City Council to approve Ordinance No. 1245, read by title only, and seconded by Committee Member Melnik.*

Committee member Partridge asked City Planner Broadie if she thought the issues had been taken care of. She was concerned about setbacks, but the property plan has resolved this issue.

\*\* *Motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

**Review of Ordinance No. 1246: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 796 To Change The Zoning Of The West 171 Feet Of Lots C, D, And E Of Lothspeich Minor Subdivision In Section 34, Township 8 North, Range 47 East, Custer County Montana, And Located Between Haynes Avenue And Miles Community College, South Of Lynam Subdivision And North Of Franks Body Shop, From C Residential District To General Commercial District, Providing For A Hearing Thereon, And Providing An Effective Date Thereof.**

City Planner Broadie explained this Ordinance has received unanimous approval from the Zoning Commission. Changing these lots from C Residential to General Commercial will match the other Commercial zoning on N. Haynes Avenue.

\* \* *Committee Member Partridge moved to recommend to the City Council to approve Ordinance No. 1246, read by title only, and seconded by Committee Member Melnik. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

**Review of Resolution No. 3364: Establish procedures for the sale or lease of City lands.**

Chairperson Ahner explained the current procedures that guide the City on the above issue and explained the changes recommended in the Resolution. The basic question to be answered is, 'Does the City want to put all renewing leases up for competitive bid even though it is a lessee in good standing, or does the City want to just have competitive bidding on vacant lots only.' Then, if they have competitive bidding on all renewals, should the current lessee have the option to match a higher bidder? After discussion, Chairperson Ahner offered to go back to City Attorney Huss and have him change the Resolution to reflect that current lessees in good standing have the option

to renew their lease without any competitive bidding process.

\* \* *No action was taken at this time.*

**Request of Citizens**

-None-

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

**Finance Committee:**

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Chairperson Mark Ahner

**Respectfully Submitted:**

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City Clerk Becky Stanton