

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Suzanne Hawkins	Jim Munn	Shawn Barigar	Chris Talkington	Gregory Lanting	Don Hall	Rebecca Mills Sojka
Vice Mayor					Mayor	



**MINUTES**  
**Meeting of the Twin Falls City Council**  
**Monday, March 31, 2014**  
**City Council Chambers**  
**305 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue East -Twin Falls, Idaho**

**3:00 P.M. - TOUR OF CITY HALL, POLICE STATION, HANSEN BUILDING**

**5:00 P.M.**

- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**
- CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**
- CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**
- PROCLAMATIONS: None**

**GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT**

AGENDA ITEMS	Purpose	STAFF REPORT:
<b>I. CONSENT CALENDAR:</b>		
1. Consideration of a request to approve Accounts Payable for March 17–31, 2014, total: \$3,629,764.93, Prepays for March 20, 2014, Regular Payroll and Month End, total: \$174,019.11.	Action	Sharon Bryan
2. Consideration of a request to approve a Liquor and Beer License Transfer of ownership to Hometown Sports Bar & Grill LLC., located at 213 and 223 5th Avenue South.	Action	Sharon Bryan
3. Consideration of a request to grant additional time for the use of amplified noise for the Lighthouse Church on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014.	Action	Dennis Pullin
4. Consideration of a request to approve unbudgeted \$2,300 expenditure from the Shop Fund to construct a doorway between the Shop office and work space.	Action	Jon Caton/ Norm Hatke Jon Caton
5. Consideration of a request to approve unbudgeted \$8,950.00 expenditure from the General Fund reserves to demolish a condemned Street Department building containing asbestos.	Action	
6. Consideration of a request to approve the final plat of the River hawk Commercial Subdivision-A PUD, located at the southwest corner of Washington Street North and Cheney Drive West.	Action	Mitch Humble
7. Consideration of a request to approve the Riverhawk Commercial C-1 PUD Agreement between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls School District No. 411.	Action	Mitch Humble
<b>II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:</b>		
1. Swearing in ceremony for the Twin Falls Police Department's newest Police Officer, Matt Ferronato and Mayor Hall to administer the Oath of Office.	Presentation Action	Brian Pike Don Hall
Presentation of a POST Advanced Certification to Officer Justin Hendrickson.		Anthony Barnhart
2. Consideration of a request to recommend to the County Commissioners that Ryan Higley be appointed as an Area of Impact member of the Planning & Zoning Commission.	Action	Don Hall
3. Consideration of a request to award a bid to install curb, gutter, sidewalk and construction of a parking lot for Baxter's Park to Idaho Sand.	Action	Dennis Bowyer
4. Consideration of a request to award a contract to Golden Harvest Inc., of Burlington, WA., in the amount of \$345,821.00 for Procurement Package D of the WWTP Upgrades.	Action	Troy Vitek
5. Consideration of a request to award a contract to Performance Systems Inc., in the amount of \$2,093,189.00, for Construction Package 1 of the WWTP Upgrades.	Action	Troy Vitek
6. Consideration of a request to reserve \$1,000,000 of the Waste Water Treatment Plant bond proceeds for reconstruction of Canyon Springs Grade due to impacts from the WWTP expansion project.	Action	Troy Vitek
7. Presentation by the Long Term Planning Committee (LTP) on personnel, capital needs and maintenance and operation (M&O) needed to accomplish identified goals and objectives of the City of Twin Falls' Community Strategic Plan 2030.	Presentation	Long Term Planning Committee
8. Public input and/or items from the City Manager and City Council.		
<b>III. ADVISORY BOARD REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		

<p><b>IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 6:00 P.M.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Request to vacate a portion of a 23' +/- platted utility, drainage, access and irrigation easement on property located at 1662 Park View Drive for Castle Twin Falls, LLC.</li> <li>2. Request for a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment for .5 (+/-) acres from R-6 PRO to C-1 for property located at 580 Addison Avenue West for ProWest Engineering.</li> <li>3. Request for a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment from R-4 to R-4 PRO for property located at 708 Washington Street South.</li> </ol>	<p>Action  Action  Action</p>	<p>Gerald Martens/ EHM Engineers, Inc.  Dan Thiel / Mtn. Sun Construction, LLC.  Judith Rayborn</p>
<p><b>V. ADJOURNMENT:</b>          Executive Session 67-2345(1) (c) To conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency.</p>	<p>Action</p>	

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**3:00 P.M. - TOUR OF CITY HALL, POLICE STATION, HANSEN BUILDING**

**Council Present:** Suzanne Hawkins, Shawn Barigar, Chris Talkington, Greg Lanting, Don Hall  
**Staff present:** Travis Rothweiler, Gretchen Scott, Chuck Garner, and Jonathan Spendlove

Mayor Hall opened the meeting at 3:00 P.M. The Council will be touring City Hall, Police Station and Hansen Building.

The meeting recessed at 3:05 P.M. - TOUR CITY HALL, POLICE STATION, HANSEN BUILDING.

The meeting reconvened at 5:00 P.M.

**Present:** Suzanne Hawkins, Jim Munn, Shawn Barigar, Chris Talkington, Gregory Lanting, Don Hall, Rebecca Mills Sojka  
**Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** City Manager Travis Rothweiler, City Attorney Fritz Wonderlich, Community Development Director Mitchel Humble, Police Chief Brian Pike, City Engineer Jacqueline Fields, Public Works Director Jon Caton, Parks & Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer, PIO Officer Josh Palmer, Assistant City Engineer Troy Vitek, Long Term Planning Committee, Staff Sergeant Dennis Pullin, Shop Supervisor Norm Hatke, Deputy City Clerk Sharon Bryan, Deputy City Clerk Leila A. Sanchez.

Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. He then invited all present, who wished to, to recite the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. A quorum is present.

**PROCLAMATIONS:** None

**CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

City Manager Rothweiler requested the following amendments to the agenda:

Move from the Consent Calendar to the Items for Consideration:

I.3. Consideration of a request to grant additional time for the use of amplified noise for the Lighthouse Church on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014.

Add: Executive Session 67-2345 (1) (e) To consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governing body is in competition with governing bodies in other states or nations.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Lanting moved to approve the amendments to the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Talkington. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

**General Public input:**

Josh Tucker, 257 B East 4000 North, Kimberly, Idaho, representing The Church, stated he is planning to conduct an Easter Sunday service on Easter Sunday. The request is to allow broadcasting praise and worship music at 10:00 a.m. at the City Park.

Parks & Recreation Director Bowyer explained that churches in the area requested that amplified sound be prohibited at the City Park Bandshell until 12:15 p.m. on Sunday. The policy has been in place since 2011.

Council discussion followed.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Talkington moved to allow The Church to conduct Easter Sunday at 10:00 A.M., and allow amplification by The Church, subject to a decibel level range established by the Police Department. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lanting.

Staff Sergeant Pullin stated his concern is amplified sound disturbing the peace. Focus should be made on keeping the noise level down.

Councilmember Mills Sojka stated that Council will be considering a request to grant additional time for the use of amplified noise for the Lighthouse Church on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014.

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She asked if it would be fair to add the following as a condition to the request: "The on-duty Patrol Supervisor is given the authority to order the event organizers to mitigate the sound of amplified music. If there are continued noise complaints, disturbances by those participating in the event, and non-compliance, the on-duty Patrol Supervisor shall terminate the event. "

Staff Sergeant Pullin answered in the affirmative.

Vice Mayor Hawkins asked how many people are expected to attend the event and if the applicant contacted surrounding churches to inform them of the event. Josh Turner stated approximately 150 to 200 persons will be in attendance and he would contact surrounding property owners.

Councilmember Talkington included the following condition to his motion: The on-duty Patrol Supervisor is given the authority to order the event organizers to mitigate the sound of amplified music. If there are continued noise complaints, disturbances by those participation in the event, and non-compliance, the on-duty Patrol Supervisor shall terminate the event. Councilmember Lanting agreed to the condition.

Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

Councilmember Lanting asked that Josh Turner contact surrounding churches.

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

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2. Consideration of a request to approve a Liquor and Beer License Transfer of ownership to Hometown Sports Bar & Grill LLC., located at 213 and 223 5th Avenue South.
3. Consideration of a request to grant additional time for the use of amplified noise for the Lighthouse Church on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014. (Moved to Items for Consideration.)
4. Consideration of a request to approve unbudgeted \$2,300 expenditure from the Shop Fund to construct a doorway between the Shop office and work space.
5. Consideration of a request to approve unbudgeted \$8,950.00 expenditure from the General Fund reserves to demolish a condemned Street Department building containing asbestos.
6. Consideration of a request to approve the final plat of the Riverhawk Commercial Subdivision-A PUD, located at the southwest corner of Washington Street North and Cheney Drive West. (Moved to Items for Consideration.)
7. Consideration of a request to approve the Riverhawk Commercial C-1 PUD Agreement between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls School District No. 411. (Moved to Items for Consideration.)

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Lanting made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Hawkins.

Councilmember Mills Sojka stated she has questions for Consent Items I.4. and I.5. She also requested removal of Consent Items I.6. and I.7. and placing them under the Items for Consideration.

I.4. Consideration of a request to approve unbudgeted \$2,300, expenditure from the Shop Fund to construct a doorway between the Shop office and work space.

Councilmember Mills Sojka asked if staff considered other alternatives such as sound monitors and video and if there is direct access to the bay space.

Public Works Director Caton stated that staff did not consider remote monitoring. The Shop supervisor's office sits in between the two bay spaces. One bay space has a complete fire wall with no access.

I.5. Consideration of a request to approve unbudgeted \$8,950.00 expenditure from the General Fund reserves to demolish a condemned Street Department building containing asbestos.

Councilmember Mills Sojka asked why there is an immediate need to demolish since the analysis on the building was done in 2009

Public Works Director Caton stated that the Street Department had planned to demolish the building but after reviewing State requirements for removal of asbestos chose not to do so. Vandalism and asbestos are his main concern.

City Manager Rothweiler explained that funding of the both items will be from contingency funds.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Mills Sojka moved to remove the following from the Consent Calendar to Items for Consideration.

- I.6. Consideration of a request to approve the final plat of the Riverhawk Commercial Subdivision-A PUD, located at the southwest corner of Washington Street North and Cheney Drive West.
- I.7. Consideration of a request to approve the Riverhawk Commercial C-1 PUD Agreement between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls School District No. 411.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barigar. Roll call vote showed all members voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

Roll call vote on the Consent Calendar as amended showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

**II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

- 1. Swearing in ceremony for the Twin Falls Police Department's newest Police Officer, Matt Ferronato and Mayor Hall to administer the Oath of Office.

**-Presentation of a POST Advanced Certification to Officer Justin Hendrickson.**

Captain Barnhart gave a brief history on Justin Hendrickson. Chief Pike and Mayor Hall presented the certificate to Officer Justin Hendrickson.

**-Swearing in ceremony for the Twin Falls Police Department's newest Police Officer, Matt Ferronato and Mayor Hall to administer the Oath of Office.**

Chief Pike explained the swearing in ceremony and gave a brief history on Matt Ferronato.

Chief Pike conducted the Pinning of the Badge. Mayor Hall administered the Oath of Office

- 2. Consideration of a request to grant additional time for the use of amplified noise for the Lighthouse Church on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014.

The applicant was not in attendance.

Staff Sergeant Pullin explained that the request. The Lighthouse Church is requesting to hold their service on their football field at 9:00 a.m. The current P.U.D. agreement allows amplified music from 10:00 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Staff recommends approval of the application subject to the following: "The on-duty Patrol Supervisor is given the authority to order the event organizers to mitigate the sound of amplified music. If there are continued noise complaints, disturbances by those participation in the event, and non-compliance, the on-duty Patrol Supervisor shall terminate the event. "

Mayor Hall stated it is important that the applicant contact surrounding neighbors of the upcoming amplified music. Staff Sergeant Pullin stated he will relay the information to the applicant.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Lanting moved to approve the request as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mills Sojka. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

- 3. Consideration of a request to approve the final plat of the Riverhawk Commercial Subdivision-A PUD, located at the southwest corner of Washington Street North and Cheney Drive West.
- 4. Consideration of a request to approve the Riverhawk Commercial C-1 PUD Agreement between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls School District No. 411.

Councilmember Mills Sojka stated on December 13, 2011, the Planning & Zoning Commission approved a final two-year extension of the preliminary plat subject to four conditions. She asked for the process of an expired preliminary plat.

Community Development Director Humble stated that the final plat is required to be submitted prior to the expiration of the preliminary plat. The request is to consider the final plat. The final plat application was submitted prior to the expiration of the preliminary plat. The applicant is required to make an application before the expiration of the preliminary plat. City Attorney Wonderlich concurred with staff.

Councilmember Mills Sojka referred to the following condition: Condition 3. Subject to a cross-use agreement for parking, drainage, ingress, egress, pedestrian access, emergency vehicle access and public utility easements being recorded prior to development. She stated that along Cheney Drive there is heavy flooding, indicating insufficient drainage of storm water and significantly under parked when there is a large event. She asked for the details of the Cross Use Agreement for parking and drainage.

Community Development Director Humble stated that the Cross Use Agreement is for the lots within the plat. The Cross Use Agreement allows uses on each of the five lots to park customers on the other lots. The lots, when developed, will have to retain their storm water on site. The agreement allows the lots to drain together into a common drainage area; this will come along with the five acre development. The five acres will be required to meet the retention code requirements.

Councilmember Mills Sojka stated that one of the conditions to the plat is to build to City Standards, yet there is flooding on Cheney Drive. She asked what the flooding is related to and how can it be alleviated.

City Engineer Fields stated the development of this particular parcel should not add to that flooding. In the recent past, improvements were made to correct a drainage connection. Flooding should be minimized.

City Manager Rothweiler stated that improvements were made summer of 2013.

Councilmember Talkington asked for clarification of the permitted uses in a C-1 Zone relative to bars. City Attorney Wonderlich stated that a bar is not listed as a permitted use. The applicant could ask for an amendment to the PUD but they would have to comply with the State statute of a location of 250' away from a school.

Councilmember Mills Sojka stated that she understands the property has been rezoned, and when the preliminary plat was passed, one of the conditions, according to State statute, would require the plat be in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan. Staff report shows the Comprehensive Plan is medium density residential and asked if this was accurate.

Zoning and Development Manager Carraway stated that the zoning process occurred five to six years ago and the Comprehensive Plan land use designation across the street of the location was commercial. It was determined by the Council that this was consistent enough with the development in that corridor. This was school property and they were the applicant and in full support of that development taking place.

Councilmember Mills Sojka stated that the plat is not in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan, and if there could be an issue approving the final plat. She asked if the Comprehensive Plan designated this as Medium Density Residential at the time of rezoning.

City Attorney Wonderlich stated the applicant's rights are established at the time of application. The fact that the Comprehensive Plan designates this as Medium Density Residential does not change anything. The Comprehensive Plan designated it in a way that could be used.

Councilmember Lanting stated that it is obvious that the property will not be developed as Medium Density Residential with Walmart across the street and likely to have commercial entities across the street, and occasionally the Comprehensive Plan does not keep up with the growth as it occurs. In regards to drainage, the drainage is coming off the lots and he believes the development will alleviate the common drainage area. Relative to the C-1 PUD, the school, the applicant and owner of the land, the closest neighbor that would be most affected by the request, agrees with the request.

City Attorney Wonderlich stated that the PUD Subdivision was approved in 2008 and the Comprehensive Plan was approved in 2009, and he would assume that this was in compliance at the time application was made; otherwise, it would have not gone forward or the applicant would have had to request a change.

Councilmember Barigar stated that the Zoning Map shows the location of Canyon Ridge High School as R-2. The small strip is zoned C-1 PUD; therefore, he would assume the strip was zoned R-2 at the time of application.

City Manager Rothweiler stated that in 2007, when the application went through, in order for the Council and the Planning & Zoning Commission to find this a qualified use they would have had to find it in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan at that time.

Councilmember Munn stated that with Councilmember Mills Sojka's line of questioning it appears that the Council or staff did not do a proper analysis in 2008, and there may be legal issues with plat approval. Councilmember Mills Sojka stated that she has not commented on any value judgment of what was done in the past but is trying to understand how we got here today and if the plat should be approved.

Councilmember Talkington stated that he was not on the Council in 2005 and 2006, but he believes that around that time Washington Street was being designated as a truck route as an alternative bypass and the best use was commercial. He believes growth got ahead of the Comprehensive Plan.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Barigar moved to approve the final plat of the Riverhawk Commercial Subdivision-A PUD, consisting of 4.2 (+/-) acres and five (5) commercial lots located at the southwest corner of Washington Street North and Cheney Drive West as presented and with the following conditions placed by the Planning & Zoning Commission:

1. Subject to site plan amendments as required by Building, Engineering, Fire, and Zoning officials to ensure compliance with all applicable City Code requirements and Standards.
2. Subject to arterial and collector streets adjacent and within the property being rebuilt or built to current City standards upon development of the property.
3. Subject to a cross use agreement for parking, drainage, ingress/egress, pedestrian access, emergency vehicle access, and public utility easements being recorded.
4. Development to comply with an approved and recorded PUD agreement.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mills Sojka.

Councilmember Mills Sojka agreed that the C-1 zoning is appropriate for all the other criteria that is established for a final plat, but she is having an issue on the process. The Comprehensive Plans should have been updated because the plat needs to be in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.

Roll call vote showed Councilmembers Hawkins, Munn, Barigar, Talkington, Lanting, and Hall voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Mills Sojka voted against the motion. Approved 6 to 1.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Lanting moved to approve the Riverhawk Commercial C-1 PUD Agreement between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls School District No. 411, including the three conditions as outlined in the plan:

1. Subject to amendments as required by Building, Engineering, Fire, and Zoning Officials to ensure compliance with all applicable City Code Requirements and Standards.
2. Subject to cross use agreements for storm water, detached sidewalk, outside lighting, landscaping and parking prior to plat recordation and/or development.
3. Subject to an approved PUD Agreement.

The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Hawkins.

Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0

2. Consideration of a request to recommend to the County Commissioners that Ryan Higley be appointed as an Area of Impact member of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Mayor Hall stated that City staff posted a vacancy notice for this position and one application was received from an Area of Impact resident, Ryan Higley. He recommends the appointment of Ryan Higley.

Councilmember Talkington asked why the Planning & Zoning Commission liaison was not involved in the interview process.

Mayor Hall explained that if others are involved in the interview process the interview process would be opened up to the public and to the media and citizens may hesitate to apply for positions.

Councilmember Talkington asked if the Mayor's intent is to hold interviews without the input of the Council.

Mayor Hall answered in the affirmative. He will make a recommendation to the Council and at this time Council input will be received. Councilmember Talkington stated his opposition to this procedure. Two Councilmembers involved in the interview process will not violate the transparency resolution.

Councilmember Mills Sojka recommends opening up the interview process and agreed with Councilmember Talkington that opening up the interview process does not violate the transparency resolution. She recommends Council liaisons be involved in the interview process.

City Attorney Wonderlich stated that the transparency resolution states that no more than two elected City Council persons may serve on any committee, including ad hoc groups and subcommittees created by statute, ordinance, or other legislative act. Allowing the Council liaison to the interview process does not violate the transparency resolution, but prior to the passing of the transparency resolution, committees in the interview process were not in violation of the Open Meeting Law; however, the media had a different perspective on the process.

Councilmember Munn asked that if the Mayor were to appoint a Planning & Zoning liaison to his selection committee would this violate the transparency resolution.

City Attorney Wonderlich stated that this would not violate the transparency resolution but he cautioned that any time discussion is made on Mayor appointments, the media will assume this should be open to the public and the Council failed to provide public notice.

Mayor Hall stated that he would be more than willing to invite the liaison to be in on interviews.

City Attorney Wonderlich cautioned the Mayor that if interview groups are formed, it will appear to the public that public business is being done in private.

Councilmember Lanting stated that he is not in support of opening up the interview process to the public

Vice Mayor Hawkins stated the Council has the opportunity to ask the candidate questions at the time of his/her appointment.

Councilmember Talkington stated the Mayor does not provide a rubber stamping for the Council and this type of government does not serve the public well.

Mayor Hall stated he does not want to discourage the public from applying for committees by allowing a public forum. Idaho Code allows him to appoint members with the Council confirmation.

Councilmember Mills Sojka respectfully requested that the liaison be involved in the interview process. An amendment can be made to the transparency resolution.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Lanting moved to recommend to the County Commissioners that Ryan Higley be appointed as an Area of Impact member of the Planning & Zoning Commission. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Hawkins and roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

Councilmember Munn stated that several Councilmembers have stated that they do not believe in the current appointment process, and in an effort to move the process along recommends that the Council vote on the procedure on the appointment process.

Vice Mayor Hawkins stated that it is the Mayor's prerogative to make appointments as he sees fit and she is in support of the Mayor's process.

Councilmember Barigar stated that City Code states that commission vacancies shall be filled by the Mayor, to be confirmed by the City Council.

City Manager Rothweiler stated that staff can assist the Council by adding the procedure on the appointment process to the April 7, 2014, City Council agenda for review and consideration.

3. Consideration of a request to award a bid to install curb, gutter, sidewalk and construction of a parking lot for Baxter's Park to Idaho Sand.

Parks & Recreation Director Bowyer explained the request.

The City hired EHM Engineers to design the curb, gutter, sidewalk and the parking lot and to manage the bidding procedure. The construction of the curb, gutter, sidewalk, and the parking lot is along Shoup Avenue West. Curb, gutter and sidewalk construction along Blake will be done later as a separate project.

This project was estimated to cost \$80,000. Staff requested for EHM Engineers to do an alternative bid for paving of the parking lot. Staff did not know if there would be enough funds available between the Magic Valley Canine Social Club and City funds to do the whole project. The bids were advertised in the paper and EHM Engineering contacted five contractors inviting them to bid on this project. The bids were due on Tuesday, March 18th. Four contractors submitted bids on time. EHM Engineers reviewed the bids and determined that Idaho Sand has submitted the low satisfactory bid in the amount of \$55,169.00. This bid amount includes the parking lot alternative.

The City has approximately \$105,000 in the budget this year for the dog park; \$40,000 is budgeted for a small restroom, \$7,000 for PI irrigation system, \$3,000 for utilities costs, and \$21,000 for engineering services. This leaves approximately \$34,000 in City funds. The Magic Valley Canine Social Club has approximately \$35,000 in the Twin Falls Community Foundation. Between the two sources, there are enough funds (\$69,000) to pay for the project, including the parking lot alternative.

Staff recommends that the Council award the bid for Baxter's Park to Idaho Sand in the amount of \$55,169.

Councilmember Talkington stated his concern of the engineering services cost of \$21,000.

Tim Vawser, EHM Engineering, explained that the engineering services cost includes the basic design for parking lot, future improvements on Blake Street, involving survey/testing, full development plan for both phases; in addition, contract administration, construction testing and inspection.

Councilmember Barigar stated that he believes Tim Vawser is saying that the engineering costs are for a broader scope of project, and this is one piece of that project.

Councilmember Talkington stated that the Parks & Recreation Department should not be absorbing the cost for a non-recreation or park-related activity. It is related more to Blake Street and the full build out.

Councilmember Mills Sojka stated that the Canine Social Club asked if the grassy area will have any type of hills and if paving the parking lot means fully paved or grind. Parks & Recreation Director Bowyer stated that he can look at having berms or hills, and the parking lot will be fully paved.

The Council thanked all those who contributed to the dog park including Marcia Lanting, Magic Valley Canine Social Club, The Beckers, Lane Taylor of Taylor Made Fence, and Leon Mills.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Mills Sojka moved to approve the bid for Baxter's Park to Idaho Sand in the amount of \$55,169. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lanting. Roll call vote on the motion showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

Recess : 6:28 p.m.

Reconvened to the Public hearing at 6:38

**IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 6:00 P.M.**

1. Request to vacate a portion of a 23' +/- platted utility, drainage, access and irrigation easement on property located at 1662 Park View Drive for Castle Twin Falls, LLC.

Tim Vawser, EHM Engineering, representing the applicant, explained the request. The lot was sold to Castle's Corner to build a convenience store and service station. The vacation is to allow underground storage tanks for the gas islands. The applicant is in agreement with staff's recommendations.

Planner I Spendlove read the following from the City staff report: On October 14, 2013 the developer submitted a building permit to construct a new C-store and gas station on this lot. Upon review of the building permit it was discovered the underground storage

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tanks were encroaching into the 23' x 186.62' platted utility, drainage, access and irrigation easement, as shown on exhibit #2. As per the definition of easement in Title 10 no permanent building or structure may be over the easement.

EHM Engineers met with the city's engineering staff and determined only a portion of the tanks were encroaching within the easement. As a result of that meeting the developer is requesting vacation of 6' of the 23' easement.

The existing easement is 22.97 +/- feet in width. The request is to vacate 6' which will leave an easement width of 16.97', which exceeds the standard 15' easement normally placed on commercial subdivision boundaries. Approval of this request will allow for the installation of fuel storage tanks in the designated area as planned.

The applicant has stated in their narrative that all utilities for the North Haven Subdivision are in place. City of Twin Falls has a sanitary sewer line located in the easement east of the proposed vacation.

Vacation of a platted easement requires approval by each of the applicable utility companies. As of today, the city has not received any of the required letters from the applicable utility companies stating their approval of the vacation of the easement. Staff recommends a condition be placed on this proposed vacation, prior to adoption of an ordinance, that letters of approval and any requirements as determined by the applicable utility companies be submitted to the City. On February 25, 2014 the Commission unanimously recommended approval to vacate a portion of the utility, drainage, access and irrigation easement, as presented and subject to the following conditions:

1. Subject to site plan amendments as required by Building, Engineering, Fire, and Zoning officials to ensure compliance with all applicable City Code requirements and Standards.
2. Subject to any requirements recommended by applicable utility companies.

Staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation and adding a condition that a letter from each of the applicable utility companies authorizing the vacation, as presented, be submitted prior to adoption of the ordinance

Mayor Hall opened and closed the public testimony portion with no input.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Mills Sojka moved to vacate a portion of a 23' +/- platted utility, drainage, access and irrigation easement on property located at 1662 Park View Drive for Castle Twin Falls, LLC, as presented with the following three conditions:

1. Subject to site plan amendments as required by Building, Engineering, Fire, and Zoning officials to ensure compliance with all applicable City Code requirements and Standards.
2. Subject to any requirements recommended by applicable utility companies.
3. Subject to receipt of a letter from each of the applicable utility companies authorizing the vacation, as presented, be submitted prior to adoption of the ordinance

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Talkington. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

2. Request for a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment for .5 (+/-) acres from R-6 PRO to C-1 for property located at 580 Addison Avenue West for ProWest Engineering.

The applicant was not present.

Jonathan Spendlove read the following from the staff report:

In December 2013, ProWest applied for a Special Use Permit to replace an existing non-conforming use with another non-conforming use. This Special Use Permit was approved by the Commission with conditions.

This is a request for a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment for approximately 30 feet of property along the northern boundary of Lot 6, Holohan Addition; from R-6 PRO (Residential Multi-Household Professional Office Overlay) to C-1 (Highway Commercial). There is an existing building on site that is zoned both C-1 and R-6 PRO. The Official Zoning Districts Map has the boundary line bisecting the building itself into two (2) differing zones.

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The use of the property, and the building, will not change with this application. The applicant has expressed that the rezone request stems from wanting to clean up the zoning issues with the property, and remove possible encumbrances on the property if sold or if buildings were possibly expanded.

The Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map designate the particular area wishing to be rezoned as Commercial/Retail. The area immediately to the East, South, and West are currently C-1 and have Commercial and Government uses established. The area to the north is zoned R-6 PRO and is currently a multi-family housing project. This proposed rezone would be compatible with the adjacent land uses in the area and does follow the Future Land Use Map and goals of the Comprehensive Plan.

In reviewing a request for a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment the Commission has two main tasks:

1- to determine whether the request is in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan and 2- to evaluate the request to determine the extent and nature of the amendment requested.

On February 25, 2014 the Planning & Zoning Commission evaluated the request as presented and unanimously determined the extent and nature of the amendment being requested was in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.

The Commission unanimously recommended the City Council grant this request, as presented.

Mayor Hall opened up and closed the public testimony portion with no input.

Council discussion followed.

-How the property and building came to be in two different zones.

Planner I Spendlove answered that the zoning happened in the past and he did not have a specific date, but the current zoning map shows the building in two different zoning districts. The building is a single use and does not have any internal separation.

Barigar moved to approve the Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment for .5 (+/-) acres from R-6 PRO to C-1 for property located at 580 Addison Avenue West for ProWest Engineering. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mills Sojka. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

3. Request for a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment from R-4 to R-4 PRO for property located at 708 Washington Street South.

Judith Rayborn, applicant, explained the request. The request is for a zoning district change to accommodate a small professional office. This would not disrupt or infringe upon neighboring businesses or residents. The zoning change from R4 to R4/PRO would be an advantage to existing R4 zoned single family property owners, allowing and creating an opportunity for business.

Planner 1 Spendlove read the following from the staff report:

The surrounding neighbors are primarily single family residences and agricultural. Along the northern boundary of this property is an undeveloped minor collector street; Osterloh Ave W. North of Osterloh the property is zoned M-1; light manufacturing with a small single family residence and agricultural farm land. That residence is in city limits and the farm ground is outside city limits. To the east of 708 Washington St S is a residential subdivision zoned R-2 developed with single family residences. To the south and west of 708 Washington St S the property is zoned R-4 with developed single family residences. Kitty-corner of 708 Washington St S across Washington St S to the north and east is a manufacturing plant zoned M-1; Light Manufacturing. There are established commercial and light manufacturing businesses located in this plant.

The applicant has expressed in her narrative that the rezone request stems from the desire to sell this property and to be able to market it other than just as a residence. With the current zoning of R-4, commercial/professional/service oriented businesses are not allowed. The rezone may allow the applicant to market the property as a possible future professional office subject to full compliance with city codes and development standards. Within the R-4 PRO zoning code, in order to convert a residence to professional office, a Special Use Permit and a building permit for a change of use would be required.

The 2009 Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map designate this portion of Washington Street South corridor as appropriate for Urban Village/Urban Infill development.

The Comprehensive Plan outlines the desired type of uses in the following description:

"Urban Village/ Urban Infill uses are proposed within the existing City Limits on sites that are surrounded by built-up areas and which are generally smaller than land located on the outskirts of the community. Instead of being developed with single-family homes or similar homogenous uses, a mixed-use profile is envisioned; incorporating a range of residential

uses and densities, in addition to commercial and community uses which support urban lifestyles. Mixed uses would be both vertical and horizontal, depending on the design qualities of each specific project.”

Since the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan in 2009 this land use designation of Urban Village/Urban Infill has not been adopted in Title 10 as a zoning district. The intent of the UV/UB is to allow for infill development of light commercial/professional uses in established areas specifically along major arterials such as Washington Street South. Under staff review we determined a professional office overlay may accomplish the intent of the UV/UB description of utilizing this lot other than as a single family residence. A Home Occupation could still be operated by SUP at this site under the current zone of R-4.

If the request is approved by the City Council, development of the site would require a Special Use Permit and development of site improvements which may include paving, landscaping, storm water retention, curb/gutter/sidewalk, development of Osterloh Ave W, compliance with building codes to change the use from a residence to a professional office and review for compliance of Engineering and Fire codes.

If approved this would be the first zoning amendment to allow a use other than residential along this section of Washington St S for property currently zoned/developed/used as residential.

In reviewing a request for a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment there are two (2) main tasks: 1- to determine whether the request is in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan and 2- to evaluate the request to determine the extent and nature of the amendment requested.

On February 25, 2014 the Planning & Zoning Commission evaluated the request as presented and unanimously determined the extent and nature of the amendment being requested was in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.

The Commission unanimously recommended the City Council grant this request, as presented.

Mayor Hall opened up and closed the public testimony portion with no input.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Mills Sojka moved to approve the request for a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment from R-4 to R-4 PRO for property located at 708 Washington Street South. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Hawkins.

Discussion followed.

-Special use permit required for offices

Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

4. Consideration of a request to award a contract to Golden Harvest Inc., of Burlington, WA., in the amount of \$345,821.00 for Procurement Package D of the WWTP Upgrades.

Assistant City Engineer Vitek explained the request. Two bids were received for the contract. Rodney Hunt-Fontaine provided the lowest bid and is technically a competent and qualified company; however, they have provided two conditions in their bid form that related to price and time. By providing two conditions, this makes their bid a conditional bid and does not meet state statutes.

Staff recommends awarding the contract to Golden Harvest, Inc. in the amount of \$345,821.00.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Lanting moved to approve the request to award a contract to Golden Harvest Inc., of Burlington, WA., in the amount of \$345,821.00 for Procurement Package D of the WWTP Upgrades. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Hawkins.

Discussion followed.

-Liquidated damages

Councilmember Barigar stated that there was not an engineer's estimate and recommended that for future contracts an engineer estimate be provided.

Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

5. Consideration of a request to award a contract to Performance Systems Inc., in the amount of \$2,093,189.00, for Construction Package 1 of the WWTP Upgrades.

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Assistant City Engineer Vitek explained the request. Bids were received from Performance Systems, Inc., and Knife River Corporation – Northwest.

Staff recommends awarding the contract to the Performance Systems, Inc., the lowest bidder.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Talkington moved to award the request to award a contract to Performance Systems Inc., in the amount of \$2,093,189.00, for Construction Package 1 of the WWTP Upgrade. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barigar. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

6. Consideration of a request to reserve \$1,000,000 of the Waste Water Treatment Plant bond proceeds for reconstruction of Canyon Springs Grade due to impacts from the WWTP expansion project.

Assistant City Engineer Vitek explained the request.

The City of Twin Falls hired Strata to provide remedial improvements as part of a much longer series of projects. With direction from the Council to provide more information as to the cost of improving pedestrian access and safety, providing rock fall protection, and improving the roadway horizontal alignment and structural section to accommodate the anticipated traffic impacts, Staff rehired Strata to revisit those recommendations in light of the newer consideration of providing improved pedestrian access.

Alternative 1. Blast back the upper portion of the canyon wall to provide enough width for a 24' wide roadway, pedestrian walkway, and traffic barrier. These improvements would result in more than 20 feet of rock excavation width at nearly 100 feet in height along a significant section of upper roadway which would impact the upper canyon rim trail, adjacent homes and access during construction into the canyon. As a result of these concerns, this option was deemed not feasible.

Alternative 2. Install paved separated pedestrian improvements in conjunction with rock fall hazard reduction. This alternative involves constructing a 12" wide grade separated pathway for pedestrian use. The bench would include an 8 " wide paved walking surface installed at a maximum 10% running grade to generally match the adjacent roadway slope. The bench would be installed in a new cut section adjacent to the upper roadway section between the existing canyon rim parking lot and the first switch back curve and would be located up to 15' vertically below the adjacent roadway surface. Pedestrians would then cross the roadway approximately 100 feet downhill of the first switchback curve to a new fill section pathway on the downhill side of the roadway which would extend to the 2nd switchback location. (Typical section attached). The primary advantage of this alternative is that the top down construction could be used for the upper pathway section to potentially reduce traffic control impacts to the adjacent roadway. This alternative also does not require filling on top of the existing steep and potentially unstable slope. The roadway would be improved with this construction with new drainage ditch adjacent to the roadway constructed. Rock fall protection would be achieved by rock bolting in conjunction with rock fall mesh or shotcrete facing. The rockfall mesh is preferred over shotcrete facing due to overall lower cost. Bicycles would still be required to share the road due to width and horizontal geometry of the proposed pathway. The estimated construction cost for completing this alternative is \$5,327,955.

Alternative 3. This alternative is similar to Alternative 2 and involves constructing a 12' wide grade separated bench for pedestrian use. The bench would include an 8' wide natural or gravel walking surface with a grade that more closely matched the existing topography instead of attempting to match the maximum 10% grade of the adjacent roadway. The trail would have an overall "average" slope from top to bottom of 10%; however, there would be several sections within the trail with grades of approximately 20%. This design approach is consistent with Federal Highways Administration recommendations for rural recreational trails in mountainous areas. The advantage of this alternative is it would significantly reduce excavation and rock removal quantities and costs for the pathway construction, particularly on the section between the canyon rim and first switchback curve. As a result of the reduced rock removal, excavation, and paving of the path the estimated construction cost for Alternative 3 is \$4,827,803.

After reviewing the draft estimates of construction costs, it appears that approximately \$1,037,400 is associated with reconstructing the road, approximately \$705,500 is associated with placing a rock fall mesh to address safety considerations and approximately \$3,585,055 is associated with placing a paved bench for pedestrians. The complete project is not eligible for funding by the wastewater bond; however, damages to the existing roadway can be corrected utilizing bond funds. Since damages to the roadway cannot be fully assessed yet, Staff would like to reserve \$1,000,000 at this time from the bond proceeds to address the roadway.

The safety improvement on the rock wall can be funded from reserves in the capital improvement fund or from delay of major projects and equipment in the Streets fund.

The separated pathway or a fixed time signal cannot be funded without extreme hardship on the Streets budget by extended delay of reconstruction projects and deferral of equipment replacement.

Council discussion followed.

Assistant City Engineer Vitek stated that the \$1,000,000, is designated for the roadway; \$705,500 is designated for the rock fall; and \$3,585,055 is associated with placement of a pathway.

City Manager Rothweiler stated that presented to Council is a probable cost for the opportunity that was discussed by Council at the prior meeting. The goal is to have a useable road surface after the completion of the construction of the roadway. In addition, use an upwards of \$700,000 out of Street Fund or other cash reserves for securing the rock wall. The City cannot use WWTP bonds for securing the rock wall. Staff will continue to work on the stabilization of the rock wall and will bring back to the Council possible solutions for Council review.

Councilmember Barigar stated he is in favor of allocating \$1,000,000 bond funds toward the roadway. He also recommended considering funding options to move forward on the separation of a pedestrian path. He stated that the trail is an asset to the community and he stated the importance of using recreational development.

Councilmember Lanting stated he is in favor of allocating \$1,000,000 bond funds toward the roadway. In addition, an option may be to expand a new trail beginning on Washington Street.

Vice Mayor Hawkins stated she is in favor of allocating a \$1,000,000 bond funds toward the roadway but is concerned that the citizens of Twin Falls were asked to consider upgrading the WWTP at \$38,000,000, and now it appears it could be done for \$1,000,000 less. She asked how this is explained or justified to the citizens of Twin Falls.

City Manager Rothweiler stated that Lorie Race, Chief Finance Officer, explained to Council, because of the strength of the City's financial assets and portfolio the City was able to get a premium which allowed the capture of additional dollars from that bond transaction larger than what was anticipated. In addition, the City has reserves in the Sewer Fund in the form of capacity fees that have been collected over a period of time that can be allocated to the project. It may not necessarily come out of the bond funds but out of project funds that are earmarked, whether that is the bond proceeds or capacity fees or the other premium dollars that were captured from the \$38,000,000 bond issuance.

Councilmember Mills Sojka stated that she would like to receive from staff funding options and what reserves are available for Alternative 2 and 3. She would like to hear from the public on the alternatives /preferences on creating the separated walkway. She recommended the City reach out to the County and other groups that utilize the roadway.

Councilmember Talkington stated that he would like to hear from the private property owners of the canyon rim.

City Engineer Fields stated that it is prudent to bring back a prior option of a one way road (20' wide) with a signal at a cost of \$400,000, versus an 8' wide - \$3,500,000 separated pathway.

Councilmember Munn stated that it has been established over the years that the road is a health and safety issue. The primary charge of local government is to keep the community safe and in this area there is a significant potential for someone to be gravely injured.

Katy Breckenridge stated that she and Rob Struthers have great concerns on the stability of the canyon wall. The rocks hanging over the bridge are of great concern. She spoke in favor of Alternative 1. *Blast back the upper portion of the canyon wall to provide enough width for a 24' wide roadway, pedestrian walkway, and traffic barrier.* She suggested that the portion of the wall where the homes are located rock netting be placed, on the portion of the wall that she owns to cut off the jaggedness of rock hanging over the bridge, and remove the bike path and sheer off the wall. The City of Twin Falls has a 25' maintenance easement but when the City begins cutting off her property this becomes a financial issue.

Rob Struthers explained that he and Katy Breckenridge want to work with the City and be part of the solution.

Councilmember Lanting stated that Twin Falls Highway District could be part of a funding source. One-half of Twin Falls Highway District's income is from the City of Twin Falls.

City Attorney Wonderlich stated that Canyon Springs Road is not a public roadway or a dedicated roadway but is City owned property. Canyon Springs Road does not connect to any part of the Twin Falls Highway District's system.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Barigar moved to approve the request to reserve \$1,000,000 of the Waste Water Treatment Plant bond proceeds for reconstruction of Canyon Springs Grade due to impacts from the WWTP expansion project. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Talkington. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion.

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Recess at 7:47 p.m.

Reconvened at 7:53p.m.

7. Presentation by the Long Term Planning Committee (LTP) on personnel, capital needs and maintenance and operation (M&O) needed to accomplish identified goals and objectives of the City of Twin Falls' Community Strategic Plan 2030.

Chief Finance Officer Race introduced the Long Term Planning Team: Jon Spendlove, Chuck Gardner, Matt Barnes, Gretchen Scott, Tami Lauda, Jerry Auten, Mandi Thompson, Todd Anderson, Jack Barnes, Raub Owen, Dean Littler, Stacy McClintock, Norm Hatke, Pat Lehmann, Rob Bohling, Jacqueline Fields. Unable to attend tonight's meeting: Terry Thueson.

The team first met January 7, 2014, and was charged with coming up with a realistic, multi-year fiscal planning tool. It was to begin addressing the goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan, as well as provide continuing to provide current levels of service to the citizens of the City of Twin Falls. The tool wasn't to take the place of budgeting nor meant to take the place of any kind of balanced document. That is done during the budgeting process. This is a tool to start the implementation of the Strategic Plan goals and objectives that will be incorporated in the budgeting process. Members spent a day with departments and learned about the services that each provided. The team begins the process and each team member brought their five year estimated needs to the table. Those needs needed to include personnel and capital equipment to meet the objectives of the Strategic Plan and also the same types of needs for the ongoing levels of service. The items identified are: Space and facility needs, new personnel needs while recognizing the need to treat employees fairly. Included was a 3% pay adjustment in each of the five years, knowing it could be more or less, 7% health insurance increase for 2015 and a 10% increase past that time. Based on historical information, included is a 4% multiplier for the maintenance and operational costs for each of the five years. Each item was prioritized with 1, 2, or 3, one being the highest. The team has identified future needs and identified a pathway in meeting the goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan.

Jon Spendlove explained the space needs for the Police Station, City Hall, Fire Stations and Hansen Building. He gave a summary on the 2005 Evergreen Studio report that projected space needs for ten years. To alleviate space needs the Hansen Building was acquired in 2006, the Engineering Lab was relocated to 305 Third Avenue East, and the Parks & Recreation Department to Maxwell Avenue. The report detailed that in 2015, other options should be considered to meet space needs.

The Team believes that the current facilities are insufficient for future growth. Future growth of key public safety and customer service departments have or shortly will exceed the available space, specifically the Police Department, City Hall, Hansen Building, and the Engineering Department.

The Team considered creating a central location for all customer service oriented departments and plan for future growth needs, including consolidating City Hall with the Hansen Building to be located in the downtown area, or for the Police Department to occupy City Hall for public safety campus.

Chuck Garner discussed personnel needs. The Team's recommendations are to improve professional and technical development in the City's communication system. The hope is that the City will serve as a focal point for economic development efforts, provide public services that support economic development, support environmental stewardship, maintain a high level interactive level of communication, support the implementation of Data Driven Accident Crime and Public Safety, and maintain police response to drug and alcohol problems.

To maintain current service levels the team recommended the following positions:

- Wastewater Department (1) position.
- Maintain staffing level of 1.6 (Idaho Average) in the Police Department.
- Deputy Prosecuting Attorney (1) position
- Information Services - Electricians (2) positions
- Changing the Staff Sergeant position to Lieutenant
- Staff Engineer (1) position
- Wastewater Collection Operator (3) positions

Matt Barnes discussed capital needs identified by the Team. The Team recommends the following:

- Airport Terminal lighting upgrade
- Pool lighting upgrade
- Streets - Replace equipment on a timely basis.
- Street Maintenance
- Police –SWAT Vehicle
- Police Taser Program
- Parks Department - Fleet Replacement Program
- Parks Department – Tennis Courts
- City Hall Building – Roof repairs

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- Information Services – Network and Server Replacement
- Fire Department – Tower truck and breathing apparatus replacement (Funded by grants)

The Team identified capital needs that will improve services and increase efficiency in the City of Twin Falls:

- Lighting upgrades for Airport and Pool
- Street Department - Upgrade Equipment Storage Facilities.
- Police Department - Smart Phones for Criminal Investigations Division and Supervisors.
- Parks Department - Improvements to Auger Falls, City Park, and Legend Field
- Police Department - GPS units
- Building Inspections – E – Planning (Equipment Upgrade)
- Engineering Department – Update Lab Equipment

Capital needs are for response to projected growth:

- Police Department – Police vehicles for new personnel
- Parks Department - Use of impact Fees to increase the indoor storage for equipment
- Information Services – New office equipment for new personnel
- Engineering Department – New office equipment

In conclusion, Chief Finance Officer Race stated that the Team has shared their needs which include space and facility issues, new personnel and capital projects to meet identified goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan, while at the same time maintaining current levels of service. Consideration was made to current city employees, including dollars for pay and health insurance adjustments, historical maintenance and operation costs and has applied them to increases for ongoing expenditures. The Team understands the difficult job of allocating limited resources to an unending list of needs, the necessity of prioritizing needs, and challenges that are faced during the budget process. Priorities need to align with citizens' expectations. The City is a service organization and will continue to provide quality, affordable services to citizens of Twin Falls.

Council discussion followed on Priority 1 Strategic Goals and the budgeting process.

8. Public input and/or items from the City Manager and City Council.

State of the City Address will be held on April 8, 2014, at 11:30 a.m. at the Brick House.

**V. ADJOURNMENT:**

1. Executive Session 67-2345(1) (c) To conduct deliberations concerning labor negotiations or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency.
2. Executive Session 67-2345 (1) (e ) To consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governing body is in competition with governing bodies in other states or nations.

**MOTION:**

Councilmember Talkington moved to adjourn to Executive Sessions 67-2345(1)( c) and Executive Session 67-2345 (1)(e), as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lanting. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 7 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Leila A. Sanchez  
Deputy City Clerk/Recording Secretary