March 16, 2017

A special Fruitland City Council meeting was held at Fruitland City Hall on the above date at 7:00 P.M., for the purposes of conducting a public hearing regarding proposed grant activities, adoption of resolutions, and authorizing submittal of a grant application.

PRESENT: Stuart Grimes, Jeff Carpenter, Ken Bishop, Reece Hrizuk, Ed Pierson.
ABSENT: None.
STAFF PRESENT: None.
OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Birdsall.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bishop and the roll was taken.

A public hearing was opened at 7:01 P.M. to receive testimony from the public regarding development of Idaho Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant applications.

Jim Birdsall - Grant Administrator, explained the program is a Federal program that distributes funds to Idaho cities directly through the Idaho Department of Commerce. The Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) was enacted by the Community Development Act of 1974 – which authorized H.U.D. to operate the program. Cities and Counties are the only eligible applicants for this program. This year approximately $3,359,464 are grant dollars available by the State of Idaho for Job Creation/Retention projects. The application deadline for this application is June 19, 2017. The application handbook is available for review on the Department of Commerce website.

The project is described as a request for ICDBG funding to construct street improvements that will allow Woodgrain Millwork, Inc. to expand operations and create 40-80 new jobs. Specific improvements are to the major collectors of NW 16th Street and N. Pennsylvania Avenue. The improvements to NW 16th Street include reconstructing the street to correct centerline and widen to include a travel lane in each direction, a median two-way left turn lane, bike lanes, and adding curb, gutter, and sidewalk. A full storm water drainage system is also planned for the street along with possible water/sewer utility extensions.

The budget of $786,650 for the project includes expenditures of $50,000 for administration, $84,456 for engineering, and $652,194 for construction. The funding sources for the project includes the ICDBG Grant of $452,650, City Cash $54,000, and an LHSIP Grant of $280,000.

As there were no written or oral comments provided the hearing was closed at 7:08 P.M.

A Fair Housing Proclamation was read and signed by Mayor Bishop.


Councilman Grimes moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Carpenter. Motion carried. 7:14 P.M.

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Ken Bishop, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rick S. Watkins, City Clerk