

**MINUTES OF THE
FERNLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 4, 2022**

Mayor Edgington called the meeting to order at 05:03 PM at Fernley City Hall, 595 Silver Lave Blvd., Fernley, NV 89408.

1. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1.1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Roy Edgington, Councilman Ward 4 Torres, Councilwoman Ward 2 Zoberski, Councilman Ward 3 Lau, Councilman Ward 1 Lacy, Councilwoman Ward 5 McKay, City Manager Daphne Hooper, Deputy City Manager Patrick Marsh, Building Official Billy Staten, Public Works Director Dave Whalen, Planning Director Tim Thompson, Director of Finance Denise Lewis, City Attorney Brandi Jensen, Human Resource Manager Shannon McKnight, City Clerk Kim Swanson. Administrative Specialist Tiffany Wood.

1.2. Public Forum

Tammy Dittman reported the April real estate market Stats. The median sales price for Fernley was \$385,000. There were 51 closed sales, which is down 5.6% from the previous year. Active inventory is 77, which is a 120% increase over last year.

Neal McIntyre, Fernley Resident said thank you to the water department for their hard work and quick response.

Jeanelle Maple, President of the Fernley Republican Women for 2022, stated on May 17th at 6 pm there will be a debate for the Republican Candidates. At 6:30 the meeting will begin with a forum for the public.

1.3. (For Possible Action) Approval of Agenda

Motion: MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH ITEM 7.2 AND 7.1 PULLED TO BE HEARD AT THE NEXT MEETING WITH A WORKSHOP AT 4PM BEFORE THAT MEETING TO DISCUSS THOSE ITEMS. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilman Lau, **Seconded by** Councilman Lacy. **Vote:** Passed, **summary:** Yes 4, No 1. **Yes:** Councilman Lacy, Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilwoman McKay, **No:** Councilman Torres,

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1. (Possible Action) Approval of Voucher Report

2.2. (Possible Action) Approval of Minutes

2.3. (Possible Action) Approval of Business Licenses

Motion: MOVE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. **Action:** Approve, **Moved** by Councilman Lau, **Seconded** by Councilman Lacy. **Vote:** Approved, **summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilman Lacy, Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilwoman McKay.

3. REPORTS This item is for various public entity representatives to provide general information to the Council and public. No action will be taken.

There were none.

3.1. Reports by City Staff, City Council, and the Mayor, including but not limited to monthly statistical reports by city departments.

City Manager Daphne Hooper reported on May 5th at 11am there will be a discussion at Green Valley Park about improvements, and on May 19th to May 21st is the Fernley Margarita Festival.

Building Official Billy Staten presented the Building department's April monthly statistics report

Public Works Director Dave Whalen said there have been 4 resignations in the last few weeks for the City, 3 of which were from Public Works.

Councilwoman McKay reported that she attended two meetings last month, 1 for ARPA funding. She noted that only certain funds from the federal government can be used for investments to make money off of. The other meeting was the Nevada League of Cities and Mr. Harper will be speaking about that later in the current meeting.

Councilman Torres reported the Fernley Senior Citizen Advisory Committee did a meet and greet at the Senior Center on April 28th. It went very well. There will be an ice cream social on May 12 at 12:30pm at the Senior Center and the public is invited. On May 13th at 9am there will be an FSCAC meeting in the chambers. May 1st through the 7th is professional municipal clerk's week.

Councilman Lacy reported that he was at the Join 50th anniversary and encouraged Fernley businesses to take advantage of their programs.

4. PROCLAMATIONS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Edgington proclaimed May 2022 to be Older Americans month. He urged every resident to recognize the contributions of our older citizens, help to create an inclusive society and join efforts to support older American choices about how they age in our community.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1. Presentation by Senior Citizen Advisory Committee Chairman JF McCullar regarding the activities of the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee.

FSCAC chairman JF McCullar spoke about the FSCAC and thanked Councilman Torres. He said on July 7th 2021 the committee was established and gave an overview of the history and the purpose of the committee. He spoke about the bylaws. Friday the 13th is the next meeting.

Councilman Lau requested to hear what comes of the FSCAC meetings with seniors to discuss their concerns with the Nevada Commission on Aging.

Councilman Torres added that the Senior Center is offering a computer and smart phone class for seniors every Thursday starting at 10:30 am. They have more information available on their website.

5.2. Nevada League of Cities - One Nevada Plan presentation

Wesley Harper gave an overview of the league, its history and its expansion. Mr. Harper answered questions from the council.

6. ORDINANCES

6.1. (For possible action) First Reading, Introduction of Bill #309 – ZMA22002

Consideration and possible action to introduce Bill #309 as an ordinance for a Zoning Map Amendment request associated with ZMA22004, to change the zoning on a single parcel of land from SF20 (Single Family, 20,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size) to SF6 (Single Family, 6,000 sq. ft. minimum lot size). The project site is approximately 30.15 acres in size and is located at 900 Vonnie Lane (APN: 021-471-05).

There was a 5 minute break for a Legal Brief.

Item 6.1 resumed at 6:06 PM.

Planning Director Tim Thompson introduced bill #309 - ZMA22002 and asked that council schedule a public hearing for the May 18th regularly scheduled council meeting.

Tom Howell from Vonnie Lane, spoke about a road maintenance agreement with the city. He wanted to protect their rural way of life.

Sheri Earhart said the project is a high density project and is not a good fit for that area. There is farming equipment coming down the road and agriculture which might be cause for complaint for a large development.

Mike Lowrey from Vonnie Lane. He said in 2006 the same issue arose and it was denied because they did not have access. LA power is an issue as well from the fact that the residents own the road, so the developers do not have access.

Richard Hedinger asked if the fire department was consulted about the project because he thinks the project puts his house at risk. He believes the project infringes on his property. Water pressure will be a problem as well.

Debbie Skinner express her concerns regarding the proposed project.

Tom Earhart from Vonnie Lane lived in Fernley his whole life. He has fully maintained that road for over 20 years and said that if someone deems that a public road, he will seek compensation for his work for the last 20 years.

Paul Person lives on Vonnie lane and express his concerns regarding the proposed project.

Bob Flowers said he has 12 acres on Vonnie Lane and owns half of the road and is not willing to

sell it.

Planning Director Tim Thompson said he would like to remind everyone that this is only the introduction. He asked everyone who showed up tonight to come back to on May 18th.

There was a short legal brief.

Bill #309 died due to lack of Introduction.

7. STAFF REPORTS

7.1. (For possible action) Discussion on the recruitment process for city manager or chief operating officer, including but not limited to, form of government, job title, description, resolution for the hiring process, organizational chart, etc.

This Item was removed.

7.2. (For possible action) Discussion to approve a contract with Management Partners for the recruitment of the replacement for the position of the City Manager in an amount to be determined and estimated at \$25,900 unless otherwise negotiated.

This Item was removed.

8. RESOLUTIONS

8.1. (For possible action) Discussion to adopt Resolution 22-012 amending the City of Fernley Personnel Policy Manual.

Human Resource Manager Shannon McKnight explained the resolution to update the City of Fernley Personnel Policy Manual.

Motion: MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 22-012 AMENDING THE CITY OF FERNLEY PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilman Lau, **Seconded by** Councilman Lacy. **Vote:** Passed, **summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilman Lacy, Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilwoman McKay.

A five-minute legal brief was taken at this time.

8.2. (For possible action) Adopt Resolution 22-013 to commit up to \$125,000 for buildings, parks, and streets vehicles.

City Manager Daphne Hooper said in this fiscal year's budget there are funds set aside for vehicles and they have been ordered. However, they have not arrived and will not arrive until after this fiscal year ends. The resolution is to allow funds to be carried over to the following fiscal year.

Motion: MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 22-013 COMMITTING UP TO \$125,000 FOR BUILDINGS, PARKS, AND STREETS VEHICLES. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilman Torres, **Seconded by** Councilwoman McKay. **Vote:** Passed, **summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilman Lacy, Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilwoman McKay.

9. ITEMS REQUESTED BY MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

9.1. (For Possible action) Discussion regarding a future agenda item to look into the possibility of adding truck weight limits and calming devices on Miller Lane and other access roads within the city. (Councilman Lau's request)

Councilman Lau asked on behalf of the residents of Miller Lane for traffic-calming solutions.

Public Works Director Dave Whalen said it would cost \$3,000 - \$5,000 to have a study done for a weight limit. He mentioned there used to be a 3-way intersection stop sign there and asked for other traffic-calming solutions the council might have.

Public Works Director Dave Whalen said the City can put up stop signs.

Councilwoman McKay stated this could cause a flood of requests, such as the requests for speed bumps in her ward.

Motion: MOVE TO HAVE THE STAFF BRING BACK A STAFF REPORT FOR STOP SIGNS ON MILLER LANE. **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilman Lau, **Seconded by** Councilman Lacy. **Vote:** Passed, **summary:** Yes 4, No 1, Abstained 0. **Yes:** Councilman Ward 1 Lacy, Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres. **No:** Councilwoman McKay.

10. ADDRESS REQUEST(S) FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

11. PUBLIC FORUM

Nick Vander Poel spoke about working with Daphne Hooper and how he appreciated it. He said she is well respected and gave Fernley a great reputation. The firm wished her the best and said they would miss her.

Councilwoman Zoberski thanked Tim for proposing a food drive at her tattoo shop, which was very successful. They are doing a fundraiser on Saturday from 12 to 5 pm.

Mindy Elliot thanked Daphne and wished her luck.

12. ADJOURNMENT

FSCAC will be May 13th at 9am. There will be an Ice Cream Social on May 12th at the Senior Center at 12:30pm. City Council will be held again on May 18th in the chambers at 5 pm.

There being no further business to come before it, the Fernley City Council meeting adjourned at 07:13 PM.

Approved by the Fernley City Council on May 18, 2022 by a vote of:

AYES 6 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0 ABSENT: 0



Mayor Roy Edgington



ATTEST: City Clerk Kim Swanson