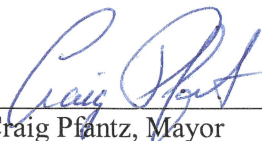


STATE CENTER  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 23, 2024  
State Center City Hall

- Mayor Protem Quick opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Present were Darrow, Grant, Nichols (arriving at 6:35), and Shaffar. Absent: Mayor Pfantz. Also present were L. Bearden, M. Kielly, Chief Thomas, J. Toyne, and K. Yates.
- Quick opened the public hearing to hear comments for/against the proposed and published (April 11th) FY25 budget. There were no comments received at the city hall office. There were no comments made at the hearing. Quick closed the public hearing. Grant moved to adopt Res. 24-59 approving the proposed FY25 budget with a total levy rate of \$13.20555/\$1000 taxable valuation and total expenditures and transfers out of \$6,240,283. Darrow 2<sup>nd</sup>. Res. 24-59 is adopted 5-0 roll call vote.
- Darrow moved to approve the 5-day special liquor license for Lucky Wife Wine Slushies for the 2024 Rose Festival. Nichols 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passes 5-0.
- Motion by Grant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nichols to table the 5-day special liquor license for the Road Hog until the May meeting so that specifics could be finalized. Motion passes 5-0.
- Motion by Darrow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Grant to table Res, 24-58 until updated plan/specs are received for the 6<sup>th</sup> St NW Water/Sewer Improvement project. Motion passes 5-0.
- Toyne updated the council on a billing glitch discovered with 3 electrical industrial demand rate customers due to the newer meter readers' inability to pick up decimals. This resulted in underbilling the customers. The electric committee met April 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss the issue. The recommendation from the committee is, because the error is a result of city equipment, to not pursue back billing these accounts but to correct the issue with manual reads and correct the billing with the next cycle. This recommendation will stand as 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> motions. There was discussion that the city did have the right to bill and collect the underbilled amounts; and did the city have a fiscal responsibility to collect? The motion to correct the billing going forward and not collect the underbilled amounts passes 4-1 roll call with Shaffar voting nay.
- There was discussion regarding the funding of the 13-acre Schoppe land purchase. The payment will likely be made to the Lola Schoppe family before the end of FY24. The clerk will prepare a 2<sup>nd</sup> budget amendment. A special meeting will be held April 30th, 5:30 p.m. to set a public hearing for the amendment. Terms of this interfund loan need to be finalized.
- Motion by Grant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darrow to pay a mid-cycle claim to Image Trend, annual fire dept subscription in amount of \$400.00. Motion passes 5-0.
- There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

  
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Craig Pfantz, Mayor

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Lori Bearden, City Clerk