

City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah

City Council Minutes
Special Meeting
Tuesday, June 4, 2019

ATTENDING: Mayor Travis Bacon, Council Members Kathy Ryan, Michael Silliman, Penney Riches, Anna Evans and Kim Andrus; Employees Conae Black, Tim Glenn

CONDUCTING: Mayor Travis Bacon, the meeting began at 6:08 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Discuss/approve/deny \$25,000 USDA Business Development Grant. Mayor Bacon explained that this a city grant for a feasibility for Parker Whitehead to produce Camper Vans and wants to locate his business in Green River. The city is just a pass through grant. **MOTION:** Kim Andrus made a motion to approve the \$25,000 USDA Business Development Grant for a feasibility study for Moonshot Camper Vans. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Penney Riches, Kim Andrus, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

2. Budget Work Session.

Conae Black submitted to the Council her recommendations for budget amendments for the 2019 fiscal year. She highlighted some bigger changes and explained that even though she had projected what the final budget items would be there could be even more changes to keep into compliance.

Conae Black stated that she met separately with Kim Andrus, Anna Evans, Kathy Ryan and Michael Silliman to review their department in the General Fund. There were some more changes made where each department head was comfortable. With that help she was able to balance the 2020 General Fund budget. She highlighted items within the General Fund that were included in the 2020 budget. She explained the projects and what grant revenue would be received for each project. She went over the Community Activity Grants, who was receiving funds and how much each recipient would receive. She was able to budget an increase for the Council Members nominal fee from \$20 a month to \$200 a month. This will still need an amendment to the ordinance to finalize it. She stated that there is a little bit of room in the budget for employee raises if the Council chooses to do so.

Mayor Bacon said he would like to increase the amount of money given to the PTSA from the Community Activity Grant for their Grad Night. After some discussion on the pros and cons of the event and the donations they receive it was decided to keep the same amount as was budgeted and take a look at the budget at the end of the year to see if there is more money available.

Conae Black said she is concerned about balancing the General Fund in 2021 because of the \$50,000 to \$60,000 annual loan payment on the Public Safety Building for the next 30 years. Some hard discussion need to be made regarding increase in revenues to be able to handle those payments. The Mayor and Council agreed and discussed some possible ways to increase tax revenue.

Conae Black said there still needs to be discussion on setting a budget for Capital Projects. If the Council would like to extend the contract for Better City that would be an additional \$112,000. Some projects that need to be budgeted for is the down town redevelopment and phasing out projects within the River Visioning Plan. The city will use Capital Projects funds to leverage the grant funding that we will be going after. These are just predictions and may change when we actually get into writing the grants and doing these projects. The total city investment would be \$102,000 for \$2,500, 000 in projects.

Kathy Ryan reminded the Mayor and Council that the city should work on an agreement with the county on utility services for the new Public Safety Building.

Penney Riches asked if there was enough money in the budget for a cost of living raise for the employees. There was a discussion on employee's raises. Tim Glenn wanted to make it clear that he budgeted for raises for Addison Gee and Kelsey Hart. He said that Jackie Nelson was not put into the budget for a raise only because she recently received one but he feels she deserves a raise and would support one for her also.

MOTION: Penney Riches made a motion to go into an Executive Session. Kathy Ryan seconded the motion. **VOTE:** Michael Silliman, Penney Riches, Kim Andrus, Kathy Ryan and Anna Evans voted aye. The motion carried.

I do hereby affirm, being the presiding official over the executive meeting held on June 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. that it was held for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. This is in accordance of the Utah Code Section 52-4-205.

3. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Travis Bacon, Mayor

Conae Black, City Recorder

Approved: July 9, 2019