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### REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WORLAND October 20, 2020

A regular meeting of the City Council of Worland, Wyoming convened at the Worland Community Center Complex Conference Room at 7:00 p.m. on October 20, 2020. Mayor Jim Gill presided and the Councilmembers in attendance were Kreg Lombard, Keith Gentzler, Kody DeMunbrun, Kenneth Shearer, Mandy Horath, Christy Schneider and Mike Neuffer. Also present were: Airport Manager, Lynn Murdoch; Chief of Police, Gabe Elliott; Superintendent of Public Works, Brian Burky; City Attorney, Kent Richins; City Engineer Representative, Mike Donnell and Clerk/Treasurer, Tracy Glanz. Councilmember Caleb Vigil was absent.

There were eleven (11) visitors present for this meeting of the City Council.

Josh Craft led the Council and Visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Gill declared a Quorum present, excusing Councilmember Vigil and asked for review and approval of the agenda.

Motion: to approve the agenda.  
By: Councilmember DeMunbrun.  
Second by: Councilmember Shearer.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the October 6, 2020 regular meeting stand approved as published.

Motion: To approve all vouchers and authorize payment for payroll, utility charges, refunds for City Services, recording fees, postage and other miscellaneous items, during the month of October, before normal City Council approval on the first Tuesday of November and approve the Council Work Session Minutes of October 13, 2020 and the Payroll Voucher for the period ending October 4, 2020; PAYROLL 10/04/2020 - \$63,555.15.  
By: Councilmember Horath.  
Second by: Councilmember Shearer.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Building Official Randy Adams read a letter to the Council, an excerpt from the letter follows: I am addressing this Council in regard to the gross misconduct, lack of leadership, lack of judgement and lack of integrity being demonstrated by some of our City Councilmembers. Rulings are being made and approved by this Council that are detrimental to the public's trust in your ability to govern our City in the best interest of its citizens. I am here to speak on my behalf as well as all City employees and this City's citizens. My job is to interpret and enforce the adopted and officially sanctioned building codes. I was hired with the necessary qualifications to uphold and interpret these codes. They are put in place to ensure the safety of the community. However, because of what appears to be a personal agenda the public perception of my skills as a qualified Building Official are being scrutinized. Contractors are being sought out and questioned regarding my abilities. A complete disregard of my qualifications, and the relationships that I have built with these contractors through trust and respect are being judged. As an employee for the City of Worland I present myself with dignity and respect. I expect these same values from my superiors. There were no infractions ensued to warrant these actions. Had the chain of command been followed this would have been evident. A Councilmember who disregards procedure and uses their position to satisfy an agenda is not the representation we elected. Recently a total lack of judgement pertaining to overtime hours accumulated by City employees was brought before the Council. It was determined that all overtime hours accumulated with the exception of the City's Police Department be denied. However, this was approved by the Council with the knowledge that a conflict of interest was present. A motion to approve or deny is in conflict when your personal monetary gain directly affects your personal financial stability. These circumstances require an unbiased decision, and you are required to refrain and excuse yourself from any and all decisions based on personal gain. This infraction was allowed to proceed and approved with disregard for all other City Employees all of which are a matter of public record. Each member of said council has a voice. It is clear that the Council's voice which consists of nine councilmembers are not being represented. We need to be reassured that each of the 9 members of our governing body are also speaking on our behalf, working together, and relaying an honest representation and accountability for the better of our community. Several Contractors spoke on Building Official Adam's behalf including Don Vail, Jason Mocko, Tom McKinnon, Dan Carne and Josh Craft all stating that as the city's Building Official Randy Adams works well with the Contractors and responds to inquiries in a timely manner; he knows the code and understands the

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intent of the code, not just the letter of the law. He makes sure things are done correctly while working with the Contractors. Jason Mocko said, "Randy Adams has a great relationship with Contractors in Worland, what is the issue and who would you replace him with?" Josh Craft pointed out that Mr. Adams leads the Contractors Board and updates the Board on new regulations that can be passed without immediately updating to the new ICC Code. Mayor Gill asked for any questions or discussion from the Council. Councilmember Gentzler asked for a copy of the letter. Councilmember Lombard stated that he appreciates what Building Official Adams does for the city and that "it was way out of line to humiliate him in a public meeting." After a question from Councilmember Lombard, City Attorney Richins stated that personnel issues can be held in executive session, they do not have to be but generally should be. Mayor Gill stated that the input from Mr. Adams and the Contractors is duly noted.

City Attorney Kent Richins presented Resolution #2020-5:

### RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WORLAND, WASHAKIE COUNTY, STATE OF WYOMING, PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 20TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2020.

### AMENDING THE WORLAND CITY CODE TABLE OF ZONING REGULATIONS IN A CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT ZONE BY ADDING INSIDE SELF STORAGE BY SPECIAL EXEMPTION

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE WORLAND CITY CODE TABLE OF ZONING REGULATIONS, CONTAINED WITHIN WORLAND CITY CODE SECTION 24-9-2, IN A CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT ZONE BY ADDING INSIDE SELF STORAGE BY SPECIAL EXEMPTION.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the City of Worland, Washakie County, Wyoming:

**WHEREAS**, the Worland City Code Table of Zoning Regulations contained within Worland City Code Section 24-9-2 does not allow Inside Self Storage in the Central Business District;

**WHEREAS**, it has become apparent that the Central Business District may be a zone that should allow Inside Self Storage as a Special Exemption especially during times when economic development needs to and will be enhanced; and

**WHEREAS**, if allowed by Special Exemption, the Worland Board of Adjustment and Planning Commission will be given the opportunity to allow Inside Self Storage in certain situations after the criteria is met and only after the necessary public notices and hearings have been properly adhered to.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the City of Worland that, **THE WORLAND CITY CODE TABLE OF ZONING REGULATIONS, CONTAINED WITHIN WORLAND CITY CODE SECTION 24-9-2, IS AMENDED BY ADDING INSIDE SELF STORAGE BY SPECIAL EXEMPTION IN A CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT ZONE.**

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this **20TH** day of **OCTOBER, 2020.**

Motion: to pass, approve and adopt Resolution #2020-5.  
By: Councilmember Lombard.  
Second by: Councilmember Gentzler.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent of Public Works Brian Burky requested permission to liquidate seventeen (17) golf carts. A vendor has offered to purchase the carts for \$1,300.00 per cart. There are twenty (20) golf carts but three (3) carts would be kept for use at the Worland Community Center Complex, Newell Sargent Park and the Golf Course. If any repairs are needed they will be handled at the shop.

Motion: to approve selling seventeen (17) golf carts at \$1,300.00 per cart.  
By: Councilmember Horath.  
Second by: Councilmember Shearer.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Gill proposed that the next Council meeting be changed from Tuesday, November 3, 2020 (Election Day) to Wednesday, November 4, 2020.

Motion: to approve changing the next Council meeting to Wednesday, November 4, 2020.  
By: Councilmember DeMunbrun.

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Second by: Councilmember Lombard.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Gill reported to the Council on the meeting he and Department Heads had with the Wyoming Boys School (WBS) over the sewer reserve; this would be the last user to agree with the sewer reserve charge. The discussion also centered on a contract with the WBS that is twenty-five (25) years old. "We are still working out the details and working with our accountant to come up with a number that is reasonable". Once an agreement is reached, City Attorney Richins will prepare an ordinance to be presented to the WBS and the Council with a proposed effective date of January 1, 2021.

City Engineer Representative Mike Donnell updated the Council on the 2020 Double Gutter Project, stating that it is almost complete with sites at South 7th Street and South 10th Street that still need paved. Weather permitting the paving will be completed this fall, otherwise the city will have to maintain the sites with gravel until the paving is done in the spring. The Culbertson Avenue Project is mostly complete with concrete work and chip sealing yet to do. The project will be completed this spring. City Engineer Representative Mike Donnell and Superintendent of Public Works Burky are working on the bid specifications for lining the outfall sewer line by the lagoon and replacing pumps at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This project is funded in part by a grant from the State Lands and Investment Board.

Chief of Police Gabe Elliott informed the Council that he and Sheriff Rakness gave a presentation to the Washakie County Prevention Coalition last week about drug trends and vaping in school. It opened some eyes to the drug activity in our community and the heroine and meth problem we have. Law enforcement continues to see more cases involving marijuana. Chief of Police Elliott reported that the background investigation is complete and Carly Flores will be starting as the new Ordinance Officer next Monday.

Superintendent of Public Works Burky reminded everyone that October 24, 2020 is the first open day at the compost yard and encouraged residents to read the signage of where to place items. The yard will be open until 3:00 p.m. and there will be someone there for part of the day. Superintendent of Public Works Burky asked the Council to approve entering into another Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Washakie County for snow removal. The last agreement expired and the new MOU will be for two (2) years instead of one (1). This agreement stipulates that the City will pay for 60% of the maintenance on Washakie Avenue and the County will pay for 40%. Mayor Gill recommended approval of extending the MOU for two (2) years.

Motion: to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the MOU with Washakie County for snow removal on Washakie Avenue.  
By: Councilmember Horath.  
Second by: Councilmember Gentzler.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

Councilmember Horath asked about the paving of the two (2) sites under the Double Gutter Project. Superintendent of Public Works reiterated that the City will gravel and maintain the sites if they cannot be paved before winter, due to the weather. The city has a handful of spots that need paving with the 10th Street site at the top of the list.

Airport Manager Lynn Murdoch stated that the Widen Taxi-lane C Project is complete, it passed a WYDOT inspection and is open for use. Airport employees are getting everything ready for snow removal.

Mayor Gill reminded the Council to review the information in the packet about the Washakie Development Association.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gill asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.  
By: Councilmember Neuffer.  
Second by: Councilmember Shearer.  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

James R. Gill, Mayor

ATTEST:  
Tracy A. Glanz, Clerk/Treasurer

October 29, 2020