

CITY OF HELENA
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
October 30, 2017 - 6:00 P.M.
City Commission Chambers, Room 330

- Time & Place** A regular City Commission meeting was held on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., in the Commission Chambers, 316 N. Park Avenue, Helena, Montana.
- Members Present** Mayor Smith indicated for the record that Commissioners Ellison and Haladay were present. Commissioner Farris-Olsen and Noonan were excused. City Manager Ron Alles, Assistant City Attorney Eric Coate and City Clerk Debbie Havens were present.
HCC Representative Gary Spaeth was also present.
- Pledge of Allegiance** Mayor Smith asked those persons present to please stand and join him in the pledge of allegiance.
- Minutes** The minutes of the regular City Commission meeting of October 16, 2017, were approved as submitted.
- Board Appointments** BOARD APPOINTMENTS:
A. Bill Roberts Golf Advisory Board, Citizen Conservation Board
Bill Roberts Golf Advisory Board - Appointment of Bill Crivello to the Bill Roberts Golf Advisory Board. Term will begin upon appointment and expire on October 30, 2020.
Citizen Conservation Board – Appointment of Elizabeth Fuller as a student leader to the Citizen Conservation Board. Term will begin upon appointment.
- Public Comment Mayor Smith asked for public comment, none was received.
- Motion** **Commissioner Haladay moved approval of the board appointments as outlined above.** Commissioner Ellison seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.
- Consent Agenda** CONSENT AGENDA:
A. Claims

City Manager Alles recommended approval of the claims.
- Public Comment Mayor Smith asked for public comment, none was received.
- Motion** **Commissioner Ellison moved approval of Item A on the consent agenda.** Commissioner Haladay seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.
- Bid Award** BID AWARD:
A. One (1) New 2018 Wheel Loader - Solid Waste Division
- Staff Report Solid Waste Superintendent Anderson reported three bids were received for one new 2018 wheel loader for the Solid Waste Division. After reviewing all bids it was determined the lowest responsible bid was received from Tractor & Equipment Company for a 2018 Caterpillar 938M wheel loader with 84 inch commercial grade forks in the amount of \$237,724.00. Staff does not recommend trading the current loader (2009 Komatsu loader) due to a low trade in value of \$12,500.00. A summary of the bids is attached. The FY18 budget appropriation for this piece of equipment is \$256,470.00.
The purchase of this equipment will allow the city to continue to

upgrade the Solid Waste Division fleet providing reliable equipment and reducing maintenance costs.

Superintendent Anderson recommended awarding the bid to Tractor & Equipment Company for one new 2018 Caterpillar 938M wheel loader with 84-inch commercial forks in the amount of \$237,724.00 for the Solid Waste Division.

Public Comment Mayor Smith called for public comment, none was received.

Discussion Commissioner Ellison commended staff for receiving good bids and finding a fuel efficient piece of equipment.

Motion Commission Haladay moved to award the bid to Tractor & Equipment Company for one new 2018 Caterpillar 938M wheel loader with 84-inch commercial forks in the amount of \$237,724.00 for the Solid Waste Division. Commissioner Ellison seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

B. One (1) new 2018 Roll-Off Container Truck with Hook Lift Hoist System – Solid Waste Division

Staff Report Solid Waste Superintendent Anderson reported bids were received for one new 2018 roll-off container truck with a hook lift hoist system for the Solid Waste Division. This is a new piece of equipment to simplify the process of how our containers are serviced, delivered and retrieved. The low bid meeting specifications was received from Rocky Mountain Truck Center for a Freightliner M2-112 with a Stellar 65 hook lift in the amount of \$175,671.00. A bid summary is attached. The FY18 budget appropriation for this unit is \$207,640.00.

Superintendent Anderson recommended awarding the bid to Rocky Mountain Truck Center for a Freightliner M2-112 with a Stellar 65 hook lift in the amount of \$175,671.00.

Public Comment Mayor Smith called for public comment, none was received.

Motion Commissioner Ellison moved to award the bid to Rocky Mountain Truck Center for a Freightliner M2-112 with a Stellar 65 hook lift in the amount of \$175,671.00. Commissioner Haladay seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Communications From Commissioners COMMUNICATIONS/PROPOSALS FROM COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner Haladay referenced a letter to the editor from Growing Friends regarding the impact on trees. He asked if there is an opportunity for representatives from Growing Friends to be invited to an upcoming administrative meeting to discuss their issues. Manager Alles noted staff has been met with Growing Friends; however, they do not like the response they have received regarding the sight triangle. He will invite the representatives from Growing Friends to an upcoming administrative meeting.

Commissioner Ellison noticed on this day in 1864 the City of Helena was created; he wished all the citizens of Helena a Happy Birthday.

Mayor Smith announced that former Governor Judy Martz passed and asked for a moment of silence.

Report of the City Attorney REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY
Assistant City Attorney Coate had not items to report.

Report of the City Manager

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

Manager Alles reported snow is expected on Wednesday and the snow plows are ready to go. The street sweepers have been busy sweeping the streets.

Manager Alles noted the quiet zone is a project in progress. The sidewalk on Benton Avenue continues to be closed until MRL can complete their portion of the project. MRL has indicated they are going to put in a temporary structure until next spring. In order to bore under the right of way, the city has to provide MRL additional insurance and staff is working on that.

Report from the Helena Citizens Report

REPORT FROM THE HELENA CITIZENS COUNCIL

HCC Chair Spaeth reported the HCC met last Wednesday and received a great presentation from Fire Safe Montana.

Public Hearings

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION TO CREATE SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 225 IN THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA.

Staff Report

Administrative Services Director Glenn Jorgenson report The City received a petition to create a lighting district (SILD 225) along Elouise Cobell Street and Upland Avenue in the Uplands Phase I of the Crossroads at Mountain View Meadows Subdivision.

The district will also contain a portion of a piece of property that is not part of Phase I as it receives benefit from the lights. It is a large piece of property that would receive an unequal benefit from the district if it paid according to its total square feet. The developer hired a surveyor to provide the meets and bounds description for a portion as equally wide as other lots in the district, see Exhibit A(1).

The district will contain twelve (12) lighting units with underground wiring, fiberglass or metal poles for 16-foot mounting heights, and glass-enclosed, Lexington Colonial luminaries with 100-watt, high-pressure, sodium vapor lamps. These are the type of light throughout the currently developed portion of the subdivision and comply with our dark skies ordinances.

The City will need to assess \$8,583 in tax year 2018 to cover the cost of the system for this year and establish a cash balance to cover the energy bills for the next year. After tax year 2018, the cost will be approximately one-half this amount depending on electrical rates approved by the Public Service Commission.

Staff advertised twice in the Independent Record and sent notice to the owner of the properties. The protest period closed October 23rd, after this memo was due. Since the petitioner owns all the property none is

Director Jorgenson recommended approval of a resolution to create Special Improvement Lighting District No. 225 in the City of Helena, Montana.

Public Testimony

Mayor Smith opened the public hearing and called for anyone wishing to address the commission.

There being no persons wishing to address the commission, Mayor Smith closed the public portion of the hearing.

Motion

Commissioner Ellison moved approval of a resolution to create Special Improvement Lighting District No. 225 in the City of Helena, Montana. Commissioner Haladay seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried. **Resolution 20411**

**Public
Communications**

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No comments received.

**Meetings of
Interest**

MEETINGS OF INTEREST
The Administrative Meeting scheduled for November 1, 2017 has been cancelled. The Joint City-County Work Session on November 2, 2017 has also been cancelled. The next Commission Meeting is November 6, 2017.

Commissioner Haladay asked at the next joint work session that an update be given on the county's implementation of their growth policy.

Commissioner Ellison encouraged people who have received a ballot for the November 7th election to fill them out and turn them in.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

/S/ JAMES E. SMITH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/S/ DEBBIE HAVENS
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION