

Public Works / Finance Committee



Regular Meeting ~Agenda~

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**Council Chambers
206 E. Third St.**

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REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Public Works/Finance Committee November 8, 2021 Minutes (ACTION ITEM) - Taylor Riedner

2. Lot Line Adjustment: 2015 and 2021 Crestwood Drive (ACTION ITEM) - Aimee Hennrich

The applicant, Rafik Itani, is requesting a lot line adjustment between two properties located at 2015 and 2021 Crestwood Drive. The proposed lot line adjustment would reduce the lot addressed as 2015 Crestwood Drive from 10,507 sf to 9,903 sf and expand the lot addressed 2021 Crestwood Drive from 13,009 sf to 13,613 sf. The applicant is requesting the lot line adjustment in order to conform to side yard setback requirements for future construction of a single-family dwelling upon 2021 Crestwood Drive. A foundation is already in place for 2015 Crestwood Drive. The subject properties are located within the Moderate Density, Single-Family Residential Zoning District (R-2). Within the R-2 Zoning District, lots with single-family dwellings require a minimum area of 7,000 sf and a minimum lot width of 60 feet. The proposed lot line adjustment meets both of these standards.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of the lot line adjustment request with no conditions; or recommend approval of the lot line adjustment request with conditions; or recommend denial of the lot line adjustment request; or provide staff further direction.

3. Resolution Opting in the Opioid Litigation (ACTION ITEM) - Gary J. Riedner / Mia Bautista

The Attorney General's Office has drafted a proposed Allocation Agreement to govern how settlement funds will be split between the State and participating local governments. This Allocation Agreement would govern how settlement funds from the Nationwide Settlements and the Purdue and Mallinckrodt Bankruptcies are allocated. In order to be effective, this Agreement will need to be adopted by the State and either (1) eligible local governments with a population of more than 60% of the total population, or (2) eligible local governments with a population of more than 50% of the total population and including at least 15% of the counties. Local Governments can sign-on to the Allocation Agreement

by authorizing a representative to sign on behalf of the City and by executing the sign-on form that is attached as an Exhibit to the Resolution. For additional information regarding the nationwide settlements, please see the Idaho Attorney General's website <https://www.ag.idaho.gov/consumer-protection/opioid-settlement/>

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of the proposed Resolution authorizing the City Attorney to enter into and to sign on the City's behalf the Idaho Opioid Settlement Intrastate Allocation Agreement and the National Opioid Settlement, or provide staff further direction.

4. Sewer General Facilities Charge (GFCs) Implementation (ACTION ITEM) - Tyler Palmer

The City of Moscow recently completed a utility rate and general facilities charge study with the assistance of FCS Group. A general facilities charge (GFCs) analysis was performed to calculate the allowable charges that the City may impose for new connections to both the water and sanitary sewer system. GFCs are one-time fees for new or redevelopment, and are used to recover a proportional share of the value of facilities required to provide service to those connections. A key component of the GFCs calculation is determining the number of users the system can support. As part of the study, FCS Group recommended that the City adopt an Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) metric as the basis to calculate the per unit capacity demand of a new sewer connection. The City's sewer customer data was reviewed to determine the average sewage flow per single-family residential customer (unit), which in FY2019 was estimated at 131 gallons per day (gpd). City staff agreed that 131 gpd was a reasonable estimate for the City's sewer ERU value. In an effort to link the estimated capacity demand per unit to the assessment of GFCs in an equitable manner, staff are proposing that the City assess new GFCs on a plumbing fixture unit (PFU) basis, which is a measure of the maximum sewer flow potential of each customer by unit. One ERU, or 131 gpd, has been determined to be equivalent to 27 PFUs for Fiscal Year 2022, based on the three-year average (2018-2020) of PFUs per single-family unit. We will update the averages annually to calculate the PFU to ERU ratio. This results in a simple calculation of \$96.89/PFU for FY22. This approach keeps our structure in compliance with established case-law for the application of GFCs. There is no minimum charge with this approach, allowing more equitable assessment of the costs for the impact of a given structure, resulting in savings for smaller units, which has a beneficial impact on affordable housing.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of amended sewer general facilities charges, or provide staff further direction.

5. FY2022 Fee Resolution Changes (ACTION ITEM) – Gary J. Riedner / Laurie M. Hopkins

On August 16, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution 2021-15, establishing fees for services to take effect on October 1, 2021 (Fee Resolution). Since that time, staff discovered that there are four areas which are recommended for amendment. Those areas are: correcting the fee for water service rates for commercial accounts with 1.5 inch meter, amending Sewer General Facilities Charges (GFCs), adding the Magenta parking permit fee, and correcting the Sanitation tipping fee. Amendment of the Fee Resolution requires a public hearing pursuant to Idaho Code.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend scheduling a public hearing at the regular City Council meeting of December 6, 2021 to consider adoption of 2021 Fee Resolution Amendments and adoption of the proposed Resolution, or provide staff further direction.

REPORTS

Fleet Annual Report - Karl Riedinger

Staff Report (if needed)

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