

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO
7500 WEST 29TH AVENUE, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

March 3, 2014

Following adjournment of the regular Study Session, Mayor Jay called the properly noticed **Special City Council Meeting** to order at 9:32 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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| Bud Starker | Zachary Urban | Kristi Davis |
| Tim Fitzgerald | George Pond | Tracy Langworthy |
| | | Genevieve Wooden |

Absent: Jerry DiTullio

Also present: City Clerk, Janelle Shaver; City Attorney, Gerald Dahl; City Manager, Patrick Goff; and interested citizens.

CITIZENS' RIGHT TO SPEAK none

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

DECISIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

1. Resolution 18-2014 – Amending the Fiscal Year 2014 Capital Investment Program Budget to reflect the approval of a Supplemental Budget Appropriation in the amount of \$500,000.00 for the 32nd Ave. Widening Project

The widening project on 32nd Avenue from Braun Court to Wright Court was funded with a federal grant (\$2.9M), money from Jefferson County (\$1.25M) and Capital Improvement funds from the City (\$1.3M). The project is almost finished and all allocated monies have been exhausted. The original contract budget has been exceeded by an estimated \$1.1M – a substantial portion of which is under dispute between the contractor and the City.

During construction several unexpected major items were encountered, including extensive subgrade excavation, retaining wall redesign and additional construction, unforeseen utility relocations, additional temporary signals and traffic control, and quantity overruns and work items.

Mr. Goff explained that staff is comfortable that \$500,000 is what the City legitimately owes for cost overruns. Another \$700,000 is still being negotiated with the various contractors.


Mr. Dahl reported meeting with the Public Works staff and confirmed that this \$500,000 appropriation will easily cover what they intend to pay to the contractor and engineers. He indicated that another \$400-500,000 is still in question for delay damages, cost overruns, and unforeseen engineering costs. He's told the landscaping is underway and the project will be finished in a week. He will wait until he gets final invoices then so that our response is specific and final.

Motion by Councilmember Pond to approve Resolution No. 18-2014 – A resolution amending Fiscal year 2014 Capital Investment Program Budget to reflect the approval of a supplemental budget appropriation in the amount of \$500,000 for 32nd Avenue Widening Project; seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald.

Discussion followed. Mr. Dahl does not anticipate the need for additional appropriations.

Motion carried 7-0.

The Special City Council Meeting adjourned at 9:44 pm.


Janelle Shaver, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON March 24, 2014 BY A VOTE OF 8 to 0


Kristi Davis, Mayor pro tem

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