

## TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

February 06, 2024 at 6:30 PM 250 River Circle - Alpine, WY 83128

## **AGENDA**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER Mayor Green
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor Green
- 3. ROLL CALL Monica Chenault
- 4. ACTION ITEMS
  - a. Mayoral Veto Daugherty Strategies, LLC
- 5. ADJOURNMENT

From: Eric Green <mayor@alpinewy.gov>
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2024 10:59 AM
To: Monica Chenault <clerk@alpinewy.gov>

Subject: FW: "Motion for approval to spend \$10,000 from the Economic Development Funds towards a

\$30k proposal to apply, recruit a school to the Town of Alpine, for Doughtery Strategies, LLC"

For distribution to Town Council:

I, Eric Green, Mayor of the Town of Alpine, WY, am hereby announcing the veto of the "Motion for approval to spend \$10,000 from the Economic Development Funds towards a \$30k proposal to apply, recruit a school to the Town of Alpine, for Doughtery Strategies, LLC" from the December 19<sup>th</sup> Town council meeting. I have made this decision, based on meetings with the Alpine Public Education Committee, after the vote on that motion.

On January 15<sup>th</sup>, the Public Education Committee met with Senator Dan Dockstader, Janine Bay-Teske, current member of the Wyoming Charter School Authorizing Board, and Dave Jenkins, Lincoln County School Board member. At that meeting, it was decided that the committee would focus on getting the LCSD #2 to change Etna Elementary to K-6 and push to get a new Middle School somewhere between Etna and Alpine in the future. That way our young children would only be approximately 10 miles from home for K-8, reducing the hours Alpine children spend commuting to school. When the population in the Town of Alpine is justified, we would take the steps to push for our own K-6 school, like the rest of the school district.

During that meeting, it was discussed that we may also want to research getting a charter school simultaneously. Because there is a moratorium on charter schools in the State of Wyoming until 2026, the committee decided that the spending of \$10,000 on a consultant specializing on getting us a charter school, would be a waste of Town of Alpine funds. When the committee decides it is time to hire a consultant for a specific task, they will present that opportunity to the Town Council. Until then, the Public Education Committee is committed to finding the best solutions for education for the children of Alpine.

We are calling a special meeting to proceed the work session on February 6<sup>th</sup>. At that meeting, a Town Council member may make a motion to overturn the veto, which would require a 75% vote to overturn. If anyone has any questions on this topic, please refer to the information below sent from our Town Attorney. If you have further questions, please contact James Sanderson directly.

Regards,

Eric

Eric Green
Town of Alpine Mayor



# Proposal: Alpine School Initiative

11.09.2023

## Jeff Daugherty

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# **Project Overview**

The Alpine community has experienced material growth over the past two-decades. It appears Alpine may be the fastest growing city in the State of Wyoming at present. As often is the case, community support services struggle to keep pace with the growth. A key

concern among the Alpine community is the fact that educational facilities have not aligned to this growth. As a result, families must send their students to Etna, Wyoming and in other cases to Afton. The climate in the area makes this approach challenging, inefficient, and at times, potentially dangerous. Lengthy bus rides are also not in the best interest of students or families. Additionally, experts in real estate and economic development will agree that central factors in enabling the community to recruit and retain workforce talent is the availability and proximity of suitable and adequate educational facilities.

More importantly, since the inception of this country, schools have served as centerpieces of communities - they are gathering places. Due to the lack of school facilities, a gap exists within the Alpine community.

In response to these concerns, members of the Alpine community have gathered and unified behind the priority of providing educational facilities that will benefit Alpine students. This committed group of stakeholders understands that a solid education is the most important gift our students must be endowed with. They understand that a solid education drives opportunities for post secondary education and trade schools. In turn this determines the quality of jobs available to the students upon graduation and ultimately; the life long happiness and quality of life available to our youth. Therefore, in support of the objective of solid educational facilities, members of the community have sought assistance from Daugherty Strategies, LLC in scoping options for attaining a school.

The community group desires to understand the strengths and weaknesses of various paths to attaining a school as well as any concerns or barriers to achieving their objectives. Finally, multiple local, state and administrative agencies must be kept informed and engaged in order to assure the success of the endeavor. Thus, the company desires to engage a local presence to provide strategic assistance and potential advocacy.

## **About Jeff Daugherty**

Jeff Daugherty is the owner and founder of Daugherty Strategies, LLC. He is a fifth generation Wyomingite who has over 20 years of executive level experience in state and local government in both Wyoming and Utah.

Jeff has served as the Planning and Development Director for both Salt Lake County, Utah and Teton County, Wyoming. He has also served as the Assistant Superintendent of Operations for the Teton County School District #1. Most recently, he led the Planning and Construction Department for Laramie County School District #1 in Cheyenne. He has a solid reputation for completing projects on time and on budget despite supply chain issues and labor shortages.

Because he has served as executive staff to school boards, county commissions, town councils and planning commissions for several communities in Wyoming, he understands how to structure projects for success. He has hosted thousands of public engagement meetings and public hearings. He has led multiple award winning public planning efforts.

He can position and, if necessary, reposition issues and perspectives in order to realize favorable outcomes. Importantly, he understands Wyoming and the dynamics of its many small communities.

Relationships are the key to his success. Authenticity is vital to developing meaningful relationships with broad and diverse stakeholders and decision makers. He brings a balanced blend of genuine interest in the ideas and concerns of others along with a determination to find common ground.

## **Service Approach**

- 1. Provide scoping support for attaining a school in Alpine, Wyoming.
- 2. Develop options for consideration by the client for either a charter school or public school.
- 3. Once a path is selected by the client, the consultant will develop a strategic plan and approach that would provide the client with the best chance of reaching objectives.

#### **Recommended Phases**

## Phase I: Project Scoping and Option Identification

This phase will begin with socializing the consultant in greater depth to the charter school regulatory environment and the palate of charter school options. However, the consultant will evaluate both charter and public school options for the client.

Consultant will describe a general pathway for a charter school approval process along with possible approaches for facility development. A pro/con description will also be included for consideration by the client.

Consultant will also analyze the pathway for attaining a public school using State Construction/School Facilities Commission (SFC) methodologies. The consultant will review facility plan data and any available needs indexes the state or district may have. This phase Could also require meetings with the School Facilities Department staff, school district staff, the Charter School Authorizing Board, charter school representatives and others.

It is important to note that the Legislature recently appropriated \$5M dollars to conduct Most Cost Effective Remedy studies (MCER) for facility needs throughout the state. MCER's describe the type and kind of remedy best suited to address facility needs within a district. Typically, a district is qualified for a MCER based on the Facilities Plan submitted by the district. LCSD2's plan does not appear to vigorously express pending facility or capacity needs. The Consultant would propose a meeting with the Interim SFC Director McOmie

with the purpose of understanding whether an opportunity to obtain a MCER for Alpine is possible.

This phase could also include a limited review of possible school sites for either option and possible funding sources. The Mayor and/or Planning Administrator would also have vital input pertaining to this effort.

## Phase II: Issue Identification

This phase is focused on assessing challenges and opportunities associated with each approach. The objective of this phase is to develop a list of considerations for each option.

If desired, the consultant could:

- Contact the LCSD2 to obtain student enrollment transport data and associated costs.
- Provide a high level review of prospective school sites for suitability.
- Work to identify prototypical school designs that may be suited to prospective sites.
  Considering an approved prototype would accelerate design, accelerate SFC review,
  accelerate Value Engineering and reduce costs. The value of this approach is it
  provides a conceptual design and rough costs for use in future conversations with
  the school board, the community, the SFC and legislators.

#### Phase III: Develop a Preferred Alternative

Consultant will support the client in reaching a preferred alternative for the pursuit of a school in Alpine. The consultant will then develop a general approach for pursuing the preferred alternative.

A consideration for this phase might be to conduct opinion sampling within the Alpine community and adjacent areas in order to understand the needs and desires of the area residents. The consultant maintains relationships with several pollsters who can conduct the survey for a reasonable price.

If desired, the client may retain the consultant for future advocacy for a school and/or school funding.

#### Fee:

Proposed fee is \$10,000.00 per month for a 90-day term, paid in advance of each month's services.

Additional expenses (such as meals, hotels, airfare, printing, etc) are billed at cost. All costs over \$100 are subject to prior approval by the client.

Mileage is billed at .75/mile.

#### **Available Services:**

Clients receive tailored approaches to each project.

Policy or project advocacy
State and local government advocacy, navigation and support
Campaign management
Stakeholder identification
Targeted and synchronized messaging
School siting and land use support

## **Experience:**

- K-12 Education
- Planning and Land Use
- Planning and Construction
- Political Campaigns
- Ad. Campaigns
- Lobbying
- Certifications:
  - Certified Facilitator
  - FEMA/NICS
  - Asbestos Management
- Volunteer Work:
  - o Jackson Police Department, Citizens Mounted Unit
  - 4-H Leader: Livestock, rifle, horsemanship
  - Charity Auctioneer
  - Wyoming Game and Fish Department, Hunter Education Instructor
  - Wyoming Game and Fish Department Chronic Wasting Disease Working Group
  - Wyoming Women's Foundation Antelope Hunt, guide
  - 3A High school football defensive line coach.
  - Little League Baseball coach
  - Boards/Commissions:
    - Animal Adoption Center, Chair
    - Teton County Fair Board, Vice Chair
    - Bluffdale Planning Commission, Chair
    - Utah Valley Chariot Horse Racing Association, President
  - Antelope Island State Park Bison Round-up, Wrangler.

## **Education:**

- B.S. Political Science, Utah State University
- B.S. Philosophy, Utah State University

## References:

- Dr. Steven Newton, Acting Superintendent, LCSD#1
- David Owen, Owen Communications
- Ogden Driskill, Wyoming Senate President

#### Awards:

- Utah Governor's Award for Quality Growth: Public Involvement
- Utah Governor's Award for Quality Growth: Excellence Award
- WYOPASS Comprehensive Plan of the Year; Urban

Article 3, Section 41 Resolutions; approval or veto.

Every order, resolution or vote, in which the concurrence of both houses may be necessary, except on the question of adjournment, or relating solely to the transaction of the business of the two houses, shall be presented to the governor, and before it shall take effect be approved by him, or, being disapproved, be repassed by two-thirds of both houses as prescribed in the case of a bill.

Article 4, Section 8 Approval or veto of legislation by governor; passage over veto.

Every bill which has passed the legislature shall, before it becomes a law, be presented to the governor. If he approve, he shall sign it; but if not, he shall return it with his objections to the house in which it originated, which shall enter the objections at large upon the journal and proceed to reconsider it. If, after such reconsideration, two-thirds of the members elected agree to pass the bill, it shall be sent, together with the objections, to the other house, by which it shall likewise be reconsidered, and if it be approved by two-thirds of the members elected, it shall become a law; but in all such cases the vote of both houses shall be determined by the yeas and nays, and the names of the members voting for and against the bill shall be entered upon the journal of each house respectively. If any bill is not returned by the governor within three days (Sundays excepted) after its presentation to him, the same shall be a law, unless the legislature by its adjournment, prevent its return, in which case it shall be a law, unless he shall file the same with his objections in the office of the secretary of state within fifteen days after such adjournment.

Article 4, Section 9 Veto of items of appropriations.

The governor shall have power to disapprove of any item or items or part or parts of any bill making appropriations of money or property embracing distinct items, and the part or parts of the bill approved shall be the law, and the item or items and part or parts disapproved shall be void unless enacted in the following manner: If the legislature be in session he shall transmit to the house in which the bill originated a copy of the item or items or part or parts thereof disapproved, together with his objections thereto, and the items or parts objected to shall be separately reconsidered, and each item or part shall then take the same course as is prescribed for the passage of bills over the executive veto.