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**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2022
COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL**

FINANCE COMMITTEE – 6:30 P.M

(Barnhart, Piper, Robinson)

NOTE: The Council Meeting is held in the Council Chambers as well as by virtual meeting to provide access while maintaining public health. Please contact Shawn Bates, Finance Director, no later than 6 pm on the night of the meeting to register for ZOOM meeting access information by calling (406) 892-4391 or email: bates@cityofcolumbiafalls.com

REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Claims - February 22, 2022 - \$138,409.85
2. Approval of Payroll Claims - February 18, 2022 - \$125,695.30
3. Approval of February 7, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
4. Approve Northwest MT Drug Task Force Local Drug Task Force Memorandum of Understanding for FY 2022-2023 and authorize Police Chief and City Manager to sign
5. Approve Request for Records Disposal - City Court
6. Approval of Agreement for Engineering Services, HDR Engineering, Inc. for Wastewater System Upgrades ARPA Project - \$895,072, authorize City Manager to execute
7. Approval of HDR Engineering Task Order #8 - WWTP SCADA On-Call, not to exceed \$5,000 and authorize City Manager to sign

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:

8. Employee Recognition - 15 years - Patrol Officer Michael Johnson

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT (Items not on agenda)

EPA Presentation to Council - CFAC Superfund Site Final Feasibility Study Information/Q&A

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS/PUBLIC HEARINGS:

9. Public Hearing - Community Needs Assessment:

Notice is hereby given that at the Tuesday, February 22, 2022 Regular Council meeting, the City Council of the City of Columbia Falls, shall conduct a public hearing for the purpose of obtaining public comment to determine the greatest community development needs (public facilities, economic development, and housing needs). The City will take public comment during the meeting in order to obtain the greatest public input. The intent of the needs assessment process is to provide the City with a list of potential projects or actions in the areas of housing, economic development and public infrastructure that could be pursued over a period of years in order to improve the community, particularly as those needs affect low and moderate income persons. Based on the results of the needs assessment, the City may apply for state or federal funding from the Montana Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and any other funding sources to fund local housing, public facilities, or other community needs and would like comments or suggestions from local citizens regarding the City's needs and types of projects which should be considered.

Interested persons may contact the City Manager at 406-892-4391 or 130 6th Street West, Columbia Falls, MT for more information about the hearing or to submit community needs suggestions. Comments may be given orally at the hearing or submitted in writing before 5 pm, Thursday, February 18, 2022.

The City of Columbia Falls makes reasonable accommodation for any known disability that may interfere with a person's ability to participate in this hearing. Persons needing an accommodation need to contact Barb Staaland, City Clerk no later than Friday, February 19, 2022 to allow adequate time to make needed arrangements. Please contact Barb Staaland at 892-4391 or email: staalandb@cityofcolumbiafalls.com.

10. Notice of Public Hearing - Request for a Planned Unit Development - March 7, 2022:

The Columbia Falls City-County Planning Board held a public hearing for the following item at their regular meeting on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Council Chambers of City Hall, 130 6th Street West, Columbia Falls, Montana. The Columbia Falls City Council will hold a subsequent hearing on Monday March 7, 2022 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the same location.

Request for a Planned Unit Development in the Columbia Falls Zoning Jurisdiction:

The applicant, DARCAR, is requesting a Planned Unit Development for property at 1123 9th Street West, Columbia Falls. The proposed PUD would allow the conversion of the basement to dormitory style apartments that could house up to four people. The main floor of the building will remain commercial use. The property is zoned CB-2 (General Business). The site is the State Farm Insurance building located just west of Backslope Brewing. The property is described as Lots 1, 2, & 3 excluding the S10 feet in Block 5 of Robindale in Section 8, Township 30 North, Range 20 West, P.M.M., Flathead County.

Interested persons are allowed to attend the hearing in person or via ZOOM. Persons are encouraged to submit written comments prior to the meeting. Written comments carry the same weight as public testimony given during the hearing. Written comments may be sent to Columbia Falls City Hall, Attention: Barb Staalnd, City Clerk, 130 6th Street West, Room A, Columbia Falls, MT 59912 or via email: staalandb@cityofcolumbiafalls.com. For more information on the proposed Planned Unit Development, please call Eric Mulcahy, Columbia Falls City Planner at 755-6481. To obtain the ZOOM meeting registration, contact City Clerk Barb Staalnd via email or by calling (406) 892-4391 no later than 5:30 p.m. the day of the meeting.

11. Notice of Public Hearing - HB 473 Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability Program Funds - March 7, 2022:

The Columbia Falls City Council will hold a public hearing for the purpose of allocating HB 473 Bridge and Road Safety and Accountability Program Funds on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The hearing will be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 130 6th ST. West, Columbia Falls, MT and available virtually via ZOOM.

The City Council is proposing to request distribution of the 2022 HB 473 funds in the amount of \$128,639.78 to overlay or reconstruct the streets listed as the highest priority need in the City's street condition report.

Citizens are encouraged to attend the hearing or to provide written comments to City Clerk Barb Staalnd at 130 6th Street West, Columbia Falls, MT 59912 or via email: staalandb@cityofcolumbiafalls.com

12. Notice of Public Hearings - Planning Board March 15th and City Council April 4th:The Columbia Falls City-County Planning Board will hold a public hearing for the following item at their regular meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Council Chambers of City Hall, 130 6th Street West, Columbia Falls, Montana. The Columbia Falls City Council will hold a subsequent hearing on Monday April 4, 2022 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the same location.

Request for a Preliminary Plat for a 10 Unit RV Park:

The applicant, Clark W Griz LLC is requesting Preliminary Plat approval to construct a 10 space RV Park for property at 201 Highway 2 East, Columbia Falls. The property is zoned CB-2 (General Business) which allow RV Parks as a permitted use. The proposed RV Park is adjacent to the Columbia Falls RV Park. The property is described as Lots 3 of the D & G Subdivision in Section 8, Township 30 North, Range 20 West, P.M.M., Flathead County.

Interested persons are allowed to attend the hearing(s) in person or via ZOOM. Persons are encouraged to submit written comments prior to the meeting. Written comments carry the same weight as public testimony given during the hearing. Written comments may be sent to Columbia Falls City Hall, Attention: Barb Staalnd, City Clerk, 130 6th Street West, Room A, Columbia Falls, MT 59912 or via email: staalandb@cityofcolumbiafalls.com. For more information on the proposed Planned Unit Development, please call Eric Mulcahy, Columbia Falls City Planner at 755-6481. To obtain the ZOOM meeting registration, contact City Clerk Barb Staalnd via email or by calling (406) 892-4391 no later than 5:30 p.m. the day of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

13. Award Generator Bid to Electrical Systems, Inc - \$176,941
14. RAISE Grant 2022 Application Consideration
15. Approve Request to Flathead County to Annex 2nd Ave EN and 4th Ave EN Right of Way
16. Mayor to Appoint Special Committee to Review Noise Ordinance
17. Authorize Mayor to sign Letter of Support - RTP Grant - Gateway to Glacier Trails

ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS:

18. Resolution # 1870 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Columbia Falls, Montana, Establishing the Number of Firefighters Within the Columbia Falls Fire Department

REPORTS / BUSINESS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

MISCELLANEOUS

19. Finance - January 2022

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Next Scheduled Meetings:

City Council – Regular Meeting, **March 7, 2022** – 7:00 PM

Planning Board – March 15, 2022 - 6:30 PM

Council Workshop – Downtown Parking and Improvements - TBD

Public Safety Committee - Wednesday February 23rd - Fire Department Transition