



CITY COUNCIL

Community Center – 415 S. Hwy 395

Where Life is Sweet

September 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM

AGENDA

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- 1. CALL COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER WORK SESSION MEETING TO ORDER - 6:00 PM**
 - A. Broadband Survey Results
- 2. ADJOURN WORK SESSION MEETING**
- 3. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER – 7:00 PM**
- 4. DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
- 5. FLAG SALUTE**
- 6. PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**
 - A. Presentation- Hermiston School District Updates
 - B. Presentation- Community Counseling Solutions Update
- 7. CITIZEN INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Anyone wishing to bring anything before the council that is not on the agenda is asked to please do the following: 1. Please limit comments to not more than FIVE minutes; 2. State your name and address; 3. Direct your comments to the Chair.
- 8. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A.** Committee Vacancy Announcements
 - B.** Recommendation of Appointment to the Airport Advisory Committee: Ron Linn to position #5, expiring October 31, 2025
 - C.** Granting a non-exclusive utility easement across property at the Recycled Water Treatment Plant to MetroDuct Systems VA LLC.

- [D.](#) Minutes of the August 22 Work Session and Regular Meeting
- [E.](#) Initiate annexation proceedings 4N2804D Tax Lots 1100, 1101, 1102, & 1103- Nobles NW Sjoren Lane

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

10. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- [A.](#) Adoption of Resolution 2237 – Safety Action Grant Application

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A.** City Committee and Liaison:

Airport Advisory, Budget, Hispanic Advisory, Library Board, Parks and Recreation, Planning Commission, Recreation Projects Fund, Faith-Based Advisory, Community Enhancement, Community Accountability, Public Safety, Public Infrastructure, Transit Planning, EOTEC

- B.** Mayor's Report
- C.** Council Report
- D.** Youth Advisory Report
- E.** Manager's Report

12. ADJOURN

**** AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT NOTICE****

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

The City is accepting applications for the following Committees:

1) Budget Committee

- Position 5: remaining 3-year term ending December 31, 2023 (Vacant as of 10/25/2021)

2) Hispanic Advisory Committee

- Position 3: remaining 3-year term ending June 30, 2024 (Vacant as of 01/19/2022)
- Position 5: 3-year term ending June 30, 2025 (Advertised as of 04/19/2022)

3) Library Board

- Position 3: remaining 4-year term ending June 30, 2025 (Vacant as of 04/05/2021)

Deadline to apply for Committee(s) in all Section(s): Open until filled

Interested persons are asked to submit an application to City Hall, 235 E Gladys Ave, Hermiston, or at alarcon-strong@hermiston.or.us. Application forms are available at City Hall or on the City's website at <https://hermiston.or.us/volunteer>. If you have questions, please call Lilly Alarcon-Strong at 541-567-5521.

Proposed appointment and confirmation of these positions are made by the City Council. All appointments to city boards and commissions shall be made in accordance with the ordinances and city charter. Appointees shall not be full-time employees of the city, shall not be elected officials of the city, shall not be appointed to more than two boards or commissions at a time, and shall not sell to the city or its boards and commissions over which the council has appointive powers and budget control either directly as a prime contractor or supplier, or indirectly as a first-tier subcontractor or supplier. Sales shall be construed to mean sales, services or fees aggregating \$7,500 or more in any one calendar year. Preference for appointees shall be given to city residents.



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Mayor and Members of the City Council
STAFF REPORT
For the Meeting of **September 12, 2022**

Title/Subject

Granting a non-exclusive utility easement across property at the Recycled Water Treatment Plant to MetroDuct Systems VA LLC.

Summary and Background

MetroDuct provides underground conduit for fiberoptic service providers, and is creating a new path across the Umatilla River in the NW corner of the City.

City staff worked with MetroDuct staff to identify the best location for this crossing as abutting the far northern property boundary of the Recycled Water Treatment Plant. This area, on the adopted Transportation System Plan, is a potential location for a future roadway and bridge crossing; which lends itself well for also serving as a utility corridor.

Tie-In to Council Goals

Routine Administration.

Fiscal Information

In addition to the \$1 shown in the easement document, MetroDuct has paid \$7,914 in exchange for this underground easement; the value of which was arrived at by assuming 50% of the Fair Market Value per square foot of the land.

Alternatives and Recommendation

Alternatives

1. Approve
2. Reject

Recommended Action/Motion

Grant a non-exclusive utility easement to MetroDuct Systems VA LLC

Submitted By:

After Recording Return To:
MetroDuct Systems VA, LLC.
c/o Team Fishel
8093 Elm Drive
Mechanicsville, VA 23111

MetroDuct Systems
Tract # OR-UM-0068.0000
Tract # OR-UM-0094.0000
Umatilla County, Oregon

**MetroDuct Systems VA LLC
NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT**

THIS EASEMENT AGREEMENT (this “**Agreement**”) is made this ___ day of _____, 20___, for one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned **CITY OF HERMISTON**, a body corporate and politic having a mailing address of 180 NE 2nd Street, Hermiston, OR 97838 (“**Grantor**”), as owner of the real property situated in Umatilla County, Oregon hereby grants and conveys to **METRODUCT SYSTEMS VA LLC**, a Virginia limited liability company having an address of 1366 Dublin Road, Columbus, Ohio 43215 (“**Grantee**”), its affiliates, licensees, successors and assigns (collectively “**Grantees**”) a non-exclusive and perpetual right of way and easement in, under, and across the “**Easement Area**” (described as being the same as shown on Exhibit “A” attached hereto and made a part hereof), for the installation, construction, maintenance, operation, repair and replacement of cables, lines and other facilities at any time and from time to time for the communication, transportation or other transfer of data, information, signals, or other material by means of fiber optics, electronic signaling or any other means including all technological developments evolving therefrom (“**Facilities**”). Permitted uses shall include the installation of below-ground vaults and the like and any utilities required for the operation thereof, together with the right to have underground commercial electrical service extended across the Easement Area to provide service to such Facilities and the reasonable right of ingress and egress across the Burdened Property to the Easement Area for the purpose of access to and use of the easement granted herein including over such drives, lanes, ways or private roads as may now or hereafter exist on the Burdened Property. If there are no drives, lanes, ways or private roads reasonably convenient to the Easement Area, Grantor further grants the right of ingress or egress across any of the Burdened Property for the purposes consistent with this Agreement, including but not limited to, intrusive construction and installation of the Facilities.

The property is legally described as
Tax Map Number 4N2804A000400
Tax Map Number 4N2804A000300
and is recorded in the land records of the Clerk’s Office of Umatilla County Oregon as Reel 44 Page 182.

The Grantor represents and warrants to the Grantee that Grantor is the true and lawful owner of the Burdened Property and has full right and power to grant and convey the rights conveyed herein and will defend the same unto the Grantee against the adverse claims of all persons.

Grantee hereby reserves the right to use said Easement Area for non-exclusive utility line and easement purposes.

Grantee hereby agrees to restore at its expense all property disturbed by its activities in use of the Easement Area to as near as reasonably possible the condition existing prior to the disturbance.

If the Grantor at some later time proposes property improvements on the Burdened Property that would necessarily require the relocation of the Facilities of the Grantee, which have been or may be installed under this Agreement, Grantee will relocate those Facilities at Grantor’s sole cost and expense within 180 days upon receipt of payment from Grantor. Grantee shall have the right, when relocating those Facilities, to place and maintain (and remove) them in a suitable location elsewhere on said land as mutually agreed to by Grantor and Grantee (which agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld by either party) and shall have the same rights hereunder in such new location as it originally possessed hereunder in the old location. If there is not mutual agreement between Grantee and Grantor as to where to relocate the Facilities, Grantee shall not be required to relocate the Facilities. Grantor acknowledges that prior to making such improvements, including the improvements set forth in the paragraph below, that Grantor shall provide Grantee with reasonable prior written notice before commencement of construction of such improvements so that Grantee may make adjustments to its Facilities.

The Grantor shall have the right to use the surface of the land over said Easement Area for any purpose provided the Grantor does not in any way interfere with the Grantees use of the easement granted herein, and provided further that no building or other structure shall be erected upon or tree or other vegetation be planted, across or over the Easement Area granted herein, and Grantor shall not excavate or fill within said Easement Area. Grantee shall have the right to remove any structure, plant or tree that it deems in its sole discretion to interfere with or impairs its use of the Easement Area.

Any work performed on the Facilities or any relocation required hereunder shall be conducted in a good and workmanlike fashion and in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations and ordinances.

Grantee shall maintain insurance coverage insuring Grantee against claims, demands or actions for personal injuries or death resulting from the use or operation of the Facilities with limits of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) any one occurrence, in an aggregate amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) and for damage to property in an amount of not less than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000).

Each party shall protect, indemnify, defend and hold the other party, their agents, customers, employees and invitees (collectively, the “**Indemnified Parties**”) harmless from and against any and all third party claims for loss, damage, liability, injury to person or property, including reasonable cost and expense incurred by the Indemnified Parties on account of any claim or assertion of liability arising or alleged to have arisen out of the negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying party. An Indemnitor’s indemnification obligations hereunder shall not be applicable to any claims to the extent caused by the negligence, intentional acts or omissions or willful misconduct of the Indemnified Persons.

Any notice to be given in connection with this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be sent either by hand delivery (which shall include, without limitation, overnight delivery by a nationally recognized overnight courier service such as Federal Express or United Parcel Service) or by depositing it with the United States Postal Service or any official successor thereto, certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, with adequate postage prepaid, addressed to the party to whom the notice is being sent (and marked to a particular individual's attention if so indicated) as hereafter provided. Rejection or other refusal by the addressee to accept or the inability of any party attempting hand delivery or, in the case of attempted delivery by mail, the United States Postal Service to deliver because of changed address of which no prior written notice was given shall be deemed to be the receipt of the notice sent on the day hand delivery was attempted or, in the case of attempted delivery by mail, on the date which is three (3) days after the notice was deposited with the United States Postal Service or any official successor thereto. In the event that registered or certified mail service is not being provided by the United States Postal Service or any official successor thereto at the time in question, each notice may then be served by regular mail. Any party hereto shall have the right from time to time to change the address or individual's attention to which notices to it shall be sent by giving the other party written notice thereof. For notice purposes the addresses of the parties shall be as follows:

If to Grantor:

City of Hermiston
C/O Byron Smith
180 NE 2nd Street
Hermiston, OR 97838

If to Grantee:

MetroDuct Systems VA LLC
c/o Team Fishel
8093 Elm Drive
Mechanicsville, VA 23111
Attn: Legal Department

The foregoing addresses (or subsequent addresses of which notice is recorded as provided in this sentence) shall continue to be effective for notice purposes under this Agreement notwithstanding a sale of all or portions of the Burdened Property, unless the party acquiring the rights of this Agreement by sale of the Burdened Property files a notice in the County of Umatilla, State of Oregon land records cross referenced to this Agreement which specifies the address (and up to two additional addresses) to which such notices under this Agreement to such party are to be sent.

It is understood and agreed that this is an easement only and in no way grants or conveys any part of the underlying fee simple estate of any lands owned by Grantor. This agreement and all of the terms, provisions and obligations hereof shall be covenants running with the land affected thereby and shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon Grantor and Grantee and their respective successors and assigns.

Grantee’s acceptance of this agreement and the recordation hereof in the Records of Umatilla County, Oregon shall be deemed to constitute and evidence Grantee’s agreement to all of the terms and provisions hereof.

This Easement and all rights, duties, and obligations hereunder, are binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors, assigns, and licensees of the parties hereto.

None of the terms or provisions of this Easement will be deemed to create a partnership between or among the parties, nor will it cause them to be considered joint venturers or members of any joint enterprise. This Agreement is not intended nor will it be construed to create any third-party beneficiary.

This Easement may only be amended by written instrument executed by the then current owners of the Burdened Property and Grantee.

Nothing contained herein will be deemed to be a gift or dedication of any portion of the Easement Area to the general public, for the general public, or for any public use or purpose whatsoever.

(Signature page to follow)

EXECUTED as of the day and year first above written.

GRANTOR:

By: _____
(Grantor Signature)

(Grantor Printed)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF _____

SS:

COUNTY OF _____

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 2022,
by **The City of Hermiston**, on behalf of the body corporate and politic.

Notary Public (Name)

Notary Public (Signature)

My commission expires: _____

Notary Registration Number: _____

Exhibit "A"
Easement Area

Exhibit "A"
Easement Area



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Work Session Meeting Minutes August 22, 2022

Mayor Drotzmann called the work session meeting to order at 6:00pm. Present were Councilors Hardin, Spicerkuhn, Peterson, Duron, Primmer, Davis, Myers, Barron, and Myers. Staff in attendance was: City Manager Byron Smith, Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan, City Attorney Richard Tovey, Captain Eynon, Assistant City Recorder Heather La Beau, Finance Director Mark Krawczyk, Parks and Recreation Director Brandon Artz, Court Administrator Jillian Viles, Court Clerks Jennifer Herrera and Alejandra Armenta, and City Recorder Lilly Alarcon-Strong. Youth Advisory Members Julissa Gonzales Mendoza and Manuel Salazar was also in attendance.

City Hall Tour

City Manager Smith took Council, staff, and the public on a tour of City Hall and stated construction should be completed and staff should be operating out of the new City Hall in October.

Adjournment

Mayor Drotzmann adjourned the work session meeting at 6:35pm and stated the Council will take a short break before starting the regular City Council meeting at 7:00pm at the Community Center.

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Regular Meeting Minutes August 22, 2022

Mayor Drotzmann called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm. Present were Councilors Hardin, Spicerkuhn, Primmer, Peterson, Davis, Myers, Barron, and Duron. Judge Creasing was in attendance, as well as staff to include: City Manager Byron Smith, Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan, City Attorney Rich Tovey, Chief Edmiston, Finance Director Mark Krawczyk, Parks and Recreation Director Brandon Artz, and City Recorder Lilly Alarcon-Strong. Youth Advisory Members Julissa Gonzales Mendoza, Manuel Salazar, and Elizabeth Doherty were also in attendance. The pledge of allegiance was given.

Citizen Input on Non-Agenda Items

Kim Rill, 15 Smith Dr, Echo- Invited the Council and public to participate in the World Suicide Prevention Day Remembrance Walk on September 10th at 9:00am at the Oxbow Trail (flyer attached). There will be information posted throughout the trail to help people spot warning signs and seek help; Good Shephard Hospital and mental health providers will also be onsite along with Walchli Farms who will be donating watermelon at this event.

Councilor Duron offered to translate all signage and information in Spanish for this event, to which Ms. Rill was thankful.

Consent Agenda Items

Councilor Primmer moved and Councilor Davis seconded to approve Consent Agenda items A-F to include:

- A. Committee Vacancy Announcements
- B. Confirmation of appointment to the Parks and Recreation Committee: Carlisle Harrison, Position 4, 3-year term ending October 31, 2025.
- C. Confirmation of appointment to the Parks and Recreation Committee: Erica Juarez, Position 5, 3-year term ending October 31, 2025.
- D. Minutes of the July 25 City Council Meeting
- E. Minutes of the July 25 Public Safety Committee Meeting
- F. Minutes of the August 8 City Council and HURA Meeting

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2236 – IGA with City of Echo for IT Services

City Manager Smith stated this resolution is similar to the other IT Services Resolutions passed in previous meetings; however, in this case, the City would provide IT Services to the City of Echo but in more of a backup support role compared to the other IGA's (Intergovernmental Agreement).

After some discussion, Councilor Primmer moved and Councilor Duron seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2236 and lay upon the record. Motion carried unanimously.

July 2022 Financial Report

After some discussion, Councilor Hardin moved and Councilor Davis seconded to accept the Financial Report as presented by Finance Director Mark Krawczyk. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

None Given.



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Mayor's Report

Mayor Drotzmann spoke regarding:

- Thanked Council President Primmer for filling in for him at the last meeting
- Thanked all those who participated in the Fair and Rodeo
- Encouraged participation in the LOC Homelessness Session on Sept 19th at the Community Center
- Announced the LOC Board meeting this Friday and the topics of discussion
- Reminded all present of the Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies of the Elementary Schools next week

Council Reports

Councilor Davis stated she attended Melon Fest this Saturday and judged the Watermelon Costume Contest with Assistant City Recorder Heather La Beau and City Recorder Lilly Alarcon-Strong. Melon Fest is sponsored by the Downtown Association. And thanked Human Resources Specialist Crystal Inners and City Recorder Lilly Alarcon-Strong for their work putting on the City Picnic.

Councilor Primmer wished his wife, Karen, a Happy Birthday.

Councilor Peterson stated Councilor Peterson and oldest son volunteered for the Lions Club at the Fair.

Councilor Peterson and Councilor Duron gave information regarding School Open Houses and Councilor Duron thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for all the activities offered to children during the summer months, as well as all the employment opportunities given to youth.

Councilor Spicerkuhn announced the grand-opening of the new Head Start Building at 160 NW 2nd St to be named the Cathy Wamsley Center for Early Learning and encouraged the Council and public to attend.

Councilor Myers thanked all the Council members that participated in the Fair, Fair Parade, Rodeo, National Night Out and all other Council duties and events the last few weeks.

Youth Advisory Report

Youth Advisors spoke regarding: Start of school, freshman orientation, asked that people wear masks to school if they are sick, and spoke regarding another record-breaking year at the Livestock Auction at this year's fair.

Mayor Drotzmann thanked the youth for the reports and stated Hermiston has always been such a supportive community and because of this, he believes the Livestock Auction Record will continue to be broken year-after-year.

City Manager's Report

None Given.

Recess for Executive Session

At 7:32pm Mayor Drotzmann announced the City Council of the City of Hermiston will now meet in Executive Session in the Conference Center Rotary Room for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to the review and evaluation of the employment-related performance of the City Manager. The Executive Session is held



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pursuant ORS 192.660 (2) (i) which allows the Council to meet in Executive Session to review and evaluate, pursuant to standards, criteria and policy directives adopted by the governing body, the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member unless the person whose performance is being reviewed and evaluated requests an open hearing.

Representatives of the news media and designated staff shall be allowed to attend the executive session. All other members of the audience are excluded. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on any of the deliberations during the executive session, except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. No final decision may be made in executive session. At the end of the executive session, the council will return to open session which the audience may attend. The executive session will last approximately 15 mins.

Reconvene- Consider Approval of Changes to the City Manager’s Employment Contract

Mayor Drotzmann reconvened the regular meeting at 8:02pm.

City Manager Smith asked that the Council consider a motion to extend his employment contract for an additional year, to August 24, 2024 and increase the automobile use allowance as presented in the agenda packet.

Councilor Myers moved and Councilor Davis seconded to amend the proposed contact amendment of City Manager Smith to accept the proposed amendment as presented and give an additional \$5,000.00/year raise. Councilor Spicerkuhn stated he feels that City Manager Smith did a very good job this year and is deserving of this raise. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Drotzmann agreed with Councilor Spicerkuhn’s remarks and thanked City Manager Smith for his leadership, and doing a good job this year taking care of city business, managing Council Goals, and for having a very successful year.

Councilor Duron thanked City Manager Smith for his leadership and all the hardworking and great staff members the city has.

City Manager Smith thanked the Council.

Adjournment

Mayor Drotzmann adjourned the City Council meeting at 8:07pm as there was no other City business.

SIGNED:

Dr. David Drotzmann, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lilly Alarcon-Strong, CMC, City Recorder

World Suicide Prevention Day *Remembrance Walk*

Join us this fall at the Hermiston Remembrance Walk, and together, we can walk towards a world without suicide.

Saturday, September 10th at 9:00 am
Oxbow Trail - Hermiston, OR
This is a free event



For more information, please visit our Facebook Event:





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STAFF REPORT
For the Meeting of September 12, 2022

Title/Subject

Initiate annexation proceedings 4N2804D Tax Lots 1100, 1101, 1102, & 1103- Nobles NW Sjoren Lane

Summary and Background

Kelly Nobles is proposing to annex approximately 3.52 acres of land located on NW Sjoren Lane, west of NW 11th St.

The properties are described as 4N2804D Tax Lots 1100, 1101, 1102, and 1103 and are addressed as 1180, 1182, 1184, 1214, and 1242 NW Sjoren Lane. The property must be annexed to the city to allow connection to city water and sewer services. The property lies within the urban portion of the Urban Growth Boundary and has a Comprehensive Plan Map designation of Medium Density/Mobile Home Residential (R-4) which corresponds to a Multi-Structure Residential (R-4) zoning designation. The applicant has requested annexation with an (R-4) zoning designation.

Tie-In to Council Goals

Annexations are a matter of administration of city ordinances.

Fiscal Information

Financial impact to the City will be approximately \$1,642 in property tax revenue.

Alternatives and Recommendation

Alternatives

Initiate annexation proceedings and direct staff to schedule hearings.

Do not initiate annexation proceedings.

Recommended Action/Motion

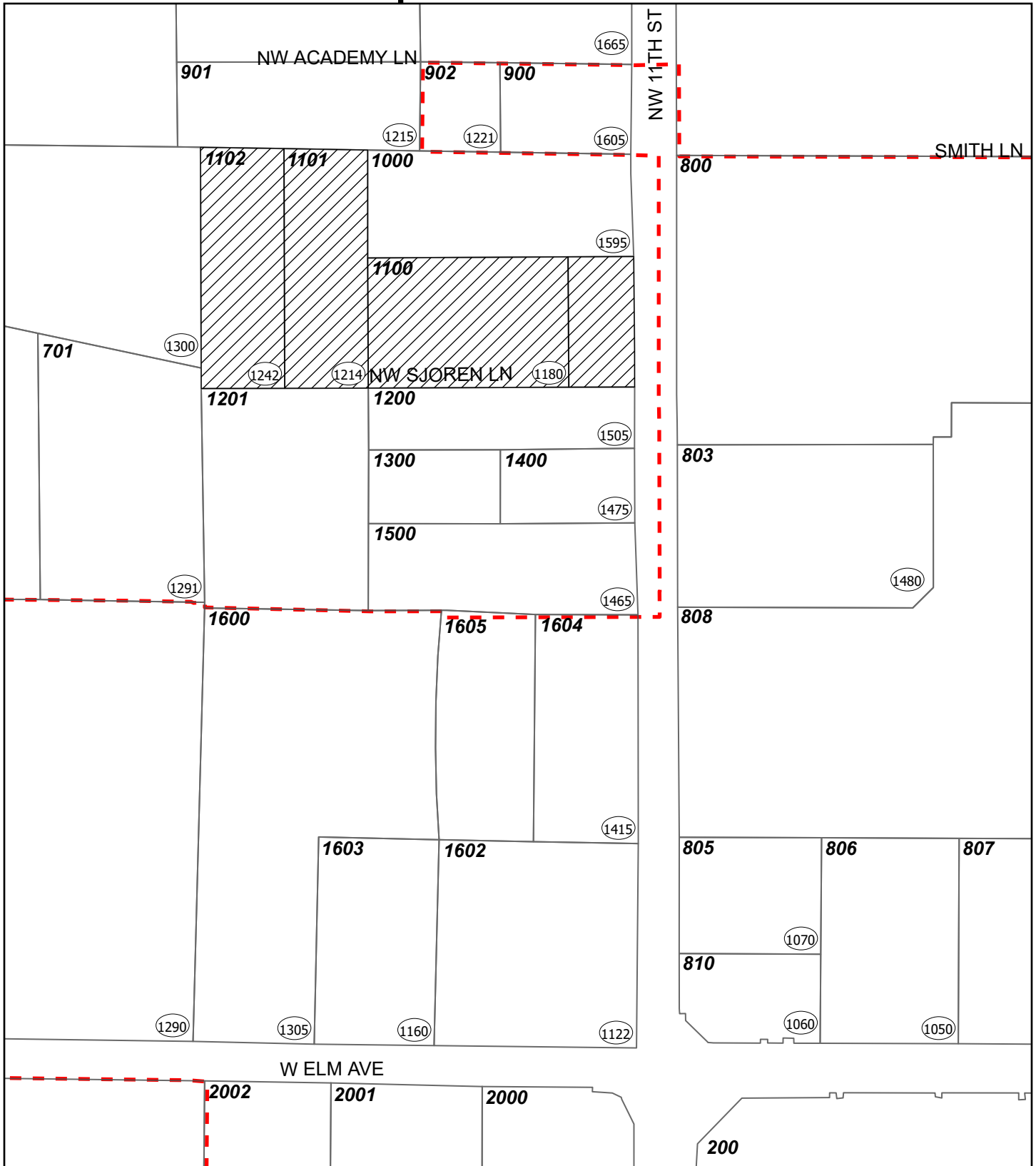
Staff recommends the city council initiate proceedings to annex the property with an R-4 zoning designation.

Motion that the annexation be initiated and direct staff to schedule public hearings. He would be scheduled before the Planning Commission on October 12, 2022, and before the City Council on October 24, 2022.





Submitted By:

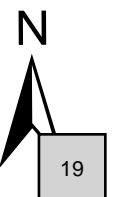
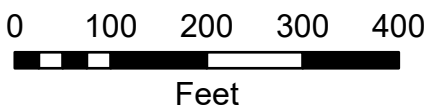
Clinton Spencer, Planning Director

Notice of Proposed Land Use Action



Legend

-  Area of Proposed Annexation
-  Property Line
-  City Limits
-  Urban Growth Boundary





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Title/Subject

Adoption of Resolution 2237 – Safety Action Grant Application

Summary and Background

Last year, the U.S. Congress adopted the Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, an infrastructure funding package that included many funding programs for various types of infrastructure including transportation. City staff has been working with Merchant McIntyre (federal grant writers) to assist us in obtaining funding from these programs.

After review of the many different grant sources funded in this bill, it was discovered that all of the transportation related programs require adoption of a Safety Action Plan. One of those programs allocates a substantial amount of money to grants for preparing these plans. Because of the age of our Transportation System Plan (TSP) and its need for a full update and the extent of public involvement required for each of these plans, we are working to bring these planning efforts together to better utilize resources.

Tie-In to Council Goals

N/A

Fiscal Information

This resolution will be used in support of our efforts to secure grant funding for future transportation related projects.

Alternatives and Recommendation

Alternatives

1. Adopt Resolution 2237 without modification.
2. Adopt Resolution 2237 with minor modifications.
3. Direct staff to make major changes to Resolution 2237 and return at a later date.

Recommended Action/Motion

Adopt Resolution 2236 and attached IGA without modification.

Submitted By: Byron D. Smith

RESOLUTION NO. 2237

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HERMISTON ADOPTING A GOAL TO REDUCE TRAFFIC RELATED-FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES AND SUPPORTING A VISION ZERO POLICY IN THE CITY OF HERMISTON.

WHEREAS, tragically, approximately one person is killed in traffic-related accidents every year in the City of Hermiston; and

WHEREAS, minority and low-income communities face a disproportionate risk of serious injuries and fatalities in connection with traffic-related accidents; and

WHEREAS, fatalities and serious injuries caused by traffic-related accidents are devastating and a serious public safety issue that necessitates public action; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hermiston recognizes that traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries are preventable and not inevitable, and commits to working collaboratively with a diverse group of stakeholders in the City to identify and implement evidence-based projects and programs that reduce the potential for serious traffic-related injuries and fatalities in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HERMISTON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The above recitals are true, correct, and adopted hereby as findings, purpose, and intent of the City Council.
2. The City of Hermiston supports the development of a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, a holistic, well-defined, and evidence-based strategy to prevent roadway fatalities and serious injuries in the City.
3. The City of Hermiston pledges to the goal of “Vision Zero,” which commits to working towards the goal of zero deaths in the City by the year of 2045.

PASSED by the Common Council this 12th day of September, 2022.
SIGNED by the Mayor this 12th day of September, 2022.

Dr. David Drotzmann, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Lilly Alarcon-Strong, CMC, CITY RECORDER