

City Council

Special Meeting

480 East Avenue North Ketchum, ID 83340 http://ketchumidaho.org/

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Monday, April 6, 2015

4:00 PM

Ketchum City Hall

Present:

Mayor Nina Jonas

Council President Michael David

Councilor Anne Corrock Councilor Jim Slanetz Councilor Baird Gourlay

Also Present:

Ketchum City Administrator Suzanne Frick Ketchum City Attorney Stephanie Bonney Ketchum Parks & Recreation Director Jen Smith

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nina Jonas called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF.

Presentation by City Boards and Commissions and Mountain Rides on request for funding in FY 2015/16 and specific work priorities associated with requested funding.

i. Ketchum Arts Commission

Trina Peters, Ketchum Arts Commission, presented the projects the Ketchum Arts Commission has implemented. She reviewed the Budget Recommendations for fiscal year 2015-16 requesting \$26,500.

Kristen Poole presented the public art installation stating the Arts Commission would like to do cover art projects. She commented they would like to wrap one more gondola car and like to have an artist do an illustration for the chalk art wall three times a year. The Arts Commission is asking for \$3,000 for performance arts and would like to continue with art at City Hall.

Councilor Anne Corrock questioned specific sites for the art. Kristen Poole clarified they hadn't been determined yet. They are considering the four corners.

Mayor Nina Jonas questioned what the budget was last year. Kristen Poole clarified \$42,000, \$24,000 of which rolled over and \$18,000 was coming out of their trust fund.

Council President Michael David questioned the value of the art. Kristin Poole clarified and then Council President David asked where the money came from.

Councilor Jim Slanetz questioned public art \$30,000 and if it was all roll over. Kristin Poole clarified \$10,000 would be used.

Councilor Anne Corrock questioned if the property on the corners are in the right of way and are they Ketchum City property. Trina explained the location is in the triangle where the two paths meet on the Bike Path.

Trish Wilson commented the cities tax dollars are well spent and she thanked the Council for supporting the gondola.

Ralph Harris commented as artist of the gondola. He thanked the Commission and stated it had been an awesome experience.

Kristen Poole commented Century Link and Cox had agreed to let them cover the utility boxes and Idaho Power has not been so cooperative.

ii. Mountain Rides

Jason Miller Mountain Rides gave a look back at 2014 explaining they have expanded service over many years. They have had no accidents in ten years and their focus is on safety. They have new technology and training software. They made a change and refocused the Silver Route to the Corn Route and commented on the Night Owl Route hours being changed.

Mayor Nina Jonas questioned the blue Night Owl route. Jason Miller clarified not running buses seven days a week; the public service for the two blue buses after 10:30 ridership dropped. He spoke about the hours the buses were running. He commented on public safety and goals of the city to serve the late night community.

Jason Miller went over his slide presentation and commented on their spiffy new bus looks and the proposed new building facility in Bellevue to connect Ketchum and Bellevue. He then went over the Hub design explaining they are working on the budget, working on federal funding and the location. He thanked Trina and Claudia for their involvement on the project and the art elements made the project stronger. He commented on the Bike Club plan rolling along. He then went over the board level five key elements. They are working on a five year business plan, to improve predictability of funding through LOT or federal funding, a salary survey and improvement to service including airport service. Their FY 2016 fiscal request is \$560k. He stated options for consideration and gave an overview including the Airport service which is new service and it would cost 90k to 120k.

Councilor Jim Slanetz questioned airport service being part of the 50k. Jason Miller responded the 50k was the total for year.

Mayor Nina Jonas questioned if they had done any surveys. Jason Miller clarified yes this is based on information of ridership.

Councilor Anne Corrock commented she rode the bus to get back to Warm Springs and it took 45 minutes. Jason Miller clarified that it would require a dedicated bus for that service to improve the time and he would take a look at it.

Councilor Anne Corrock questioned if there was GPS phone tracking. Jason Miller clarified they have been working with Sun Valley Co and phone tracking service is available but was more static than mapping. He explained they are part of a state wide project working to implement new technology.

Carolina Stevens questioned if Night Owl service was planned ahead and if airport transportation was provided when the airport was closed.

Nina Jonas closed public comments.

Jason Miller responded that most night owl riders do plan ahead. Airport service is tougher and confined by having a public time table.

Mayor Nina Jonas questioned if the City could partner with the airport. Jason Miller stated they are working with them.

Councilor Anne Corrock questioned if Mountain Rides had service to Twin Falls and could they be partners. Jason Miller clarified they would hope so.

Councilor Baird Gourlay arrived at 5:00 p.m.

Council President Michael David left the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

iii. Ketchum Events Commission

Jen Smith gave a general budget request report. She showed a slide presentation overview of the funds being requested of \$26,500. She explained that the budget had been moved and the events have been managed by Economic Development and Parks and Recreation Departments. The City has sponsored three events this year and added the criteria for Ketchum sponsored events.

Councilor Jim Slanetz questioned new events process.

Suzanne Frick clarified there is a problem with providing public fund dollars for private events or non profit events. She stated the City would need to reduce or change the way events are handled.

Baird Gourlay questioned if you are coming in front of the events commission for money in FY 2015/2016 what would that look like. Jen Smith explained the winter and summer events application deadlines: July deadline for winter requests, and February for summer requests. She then explained the two separate requests including the \$30,000 turning into one line item in the LOT budget and the Events Commission \$25,000 and the Local animations are separate.

Councilor Jim Slanetz commented if the Events Commission can't get the money what can the city do to make the events easier. Suzanne Frick clarified the City is working to streamline the process. She stated there will be a full discussion in regards to the local animation events during the budget process.

3. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCILORS.

ADJOURNMENT.

Councilor Anne Corrock motioned to adjourn at 5:19 p.m. seconded by Councilor Baird Gourlay, passed unanimously.

Nina Jonas Mayor

ATTEST.

Sandra E. Cady, CMC City Clerk

