



The Common Council of the City of Bellevue, Idaho, met in a Regular Meeting, on Monday, December 11, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City of Bellevue Offices, located at 115 E. Pine Street, Bellevue, ID 83313.

Mayor Johnson called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. and roll call attendance was conducted.

**Roll Call:**

Chris Johnson, Mayor  
Christina Giordani, Council President  
Robin Leahy, Council Member  
John Carreiro, Council Member

**Excused:** Shaun Mahoney, Council Member

**Staff Present:**

Rick Allington, Legal  
Greg Beaver, Fire Chief  
Bryson Ellsworth, Wastewater Contractor  
Kirt Gaston, Marshall  
Casey McGehee, Streets Supervisor  
Shelly Shoemaker, City Treasurer  
Michelle Snarr, City Clerk

Others in Attendance: Tony Evans, Diane Shay, Jessica Obenauf, Trent Shoemaker, Lance Evans – *via Zoom*, and Kristina Gillespie – *via Zoom*

Roll Call was conducted; all members were present except for Council Member Mahoney.

**Notice and Hearing Compliance:**

The posting of this regular meeting agenda complied with Idaho Code §74-204. The regular meeting agenda was posted within forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting at the Bellevue City Hall, Post Office, and on the city website on *December 8, 2023*.

**Motion:** Council Member Carreiro moved the notice agenda was in compliance with Idaho Code §74-204. Council President Giordani seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**1. Call for Conflict as Outline in Idaho Code §74-404 With Any Agenda Item**

Mayor Johnson called for conflict from any Council member or staff member with any agenda item. No conflict was noted.

**2. Public Comment for Items of Concern Not on the Agenda**

Mayor Johnson noted the city received a few items and Facebook posts regarding the stickers that were left on resident’s vehicles park in the street/right-of-way. He said the city would be utilizing what it has, and the adhesive is not a strong one. It can be removed with a razor blade or Goo be Gone. He stated it is a 50/50 balance, and the city must do snowplowing for the city. Mayor Johnson thanked Mr. McGehee for the good job on the snow removal, and some residents of the city have commented on it. He said he would like that to continue for the rest of the session.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- a. City Council Meeting Minutes: November 27, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting
- b. Claims from November 28, 2023 through December 11, 2023
- c. Request for Funds: Request for approximately \$3,500 to replace a sonar, Wastewater

- d. Request for Funds: Request for \$629.99 for a 1/2-inch MNPT No Lead Brass Ball Valve x 1/4-inch PVC Quill, Water
- e. Department Head Reports

Council President discussed a rise in DUIs. She asked Marshal Gaston what the city could do to help with that situation. Marshal Gaston explained that driving intoxicated has increased county wide. Mayor Johnson added that it is ebb and flow. He went on to say people are bored; there are only two places in town that sell alcohol and one liquor store. President Giordani stated she wanted to protect the public a bit more. Marshal Gaston informed the Council that he did not remember where the city fell in ranking, but Blaine County is fairly high in DUIs and alcohol consumption.

**Motion:** President Giordani moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Council Member Carriero seconded the motion. Council Member voting aye: Members Carreiro, Leahy, and Giordani. Members voting nay: None. The motion passed unanimously. Council Member Mahoney was not present for the vote.

#### 4. PROCLAMATION

Mayor Johnson noted that the week beginning January 1, 2024, proclaimed Community Health and Fitness Week. He noted St Luke's reached out to him, and he thought it was a good idea. It is something he can support, and he wanted to support it with the cities partnerships.

#### 5. OLD BUSINESS:

None

#### 6. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Presentation: City of Bellevue, Idaho, Fiscal Year 2023 Year-End Financial Report(s): Shelly Shoemaker, City Treasurer

Shelly Shoemaker, City Treasurer, pointed out each member received all the reports for the Fiscal Year 2023, in addition, the Audit Report. She noted that the auditor would present their report in January 2024.

Ms. Shoemaker discussed the revenues, which included the highway apportionments, state revenue, courts and a bit of surplus property that was sold. She noted that the water and sewer revenues were both less than what was budgeted by roughly half million dollars. In addition, the total of all fund expenditures exceeded more than the city incurred. She stated that the city needs to be careful with its carryover.

Discussion followed regarding why the water and sewer were so far below the city's income. Ms. Shoemaker explained the user fees were up; however, the budget has carryover funds, and that is what makes it hard to translate. She is trying to compare actual revenue and expenses.

Ms. Shoemaker noted overall some of her numbers do not align perfectly with the audit. The auditor basically told here the city needs to get Caselle up and running.

Discussion followed regarding the city's Profit and Loss and its comparison to the previous year. She went on to discuss Assets. The city has just over a million dollars in available cash, 1.6 million dollars in restricted investments funds. She pointed out the city utilized some of its LGIP funds, and it is down 6-percent. Overall, cash flow is at a low; however, it would rise. The city earned almost \$92,000 from the investment fund. The General Fund, except for water and sewer, is at 76-percent income.

Ms. Shoemaker reviewed the individual department reports. She pointed out that the Marshal's department was the only department that went over budget, and she thought that was mainly due to payroll.

Regarding the Capital Improvement Fund, there is room for improvement. She would like to see a bit more of those funds. The Water report specifies 56-percent income and 44-percent expenses. There are some differences in the wastewater fund than what the auditor indicated. In her report, she is presenting 73-percent income and 46-percent for expenses.

Ms. Shoemaker suggested the Council look at the audit report. The city is in the net position of all assets; however, the auditor's report goes into more detail than the reports she generated. She added that the Bellevue Urban Renewal Agency (BURA) may have some funds for the city for items the city has completed.

Mayor Johnson stated they know things are getting tight, and they will be looking at amending the budget in January and see where the city is at for the next six to eight months. He indicated that the city will be running on its day-to-day expenses, and hopefully, the city will not have any large issues.

Chief Beaver inquired if the city had to spend the Capital Improvement Plan funds (CIP) in five years. He said when the city did its budget with Caplan, the city had five years to start spending it. Ms. Shoemaker indicated that she would have to investigate that. Mr. Ellesworth pointed out that the funds do not have to be spent in five years; they need to be delegated.

Mayor Johnson noted that the city has not incorporated all the CIP fees it should have. The city needs to reevaluate their fees; Ms. Snarr has been in contract with Capan and Associates. There are projects that have been signed off on, and those fees are what the city will be charging.

Mayor Johnson reported they are trying to get back on budget, and they are getting there. He stated the city has accomplished a lot since August. The city acquired the equipment it needed, and they are in an acceptable position. He said he was comfortable with where the city is.

President Giordani stated she thought it was rough, but she thinks it is not as bad as she thought it would be. She went on to say, a lot of it is new, and they are trying to do it the best way they can. She inquired if Mr. Allington thought the city would have a lot of litigation fees like the city did the previous year. Mr. Allington indicated that he did not represent the city in litigation.

Mayor Johnson indicated that the litigation would come from the Ground Water Advisory Board. It is one of his key priorities. It was inquired if the city could provide water to other users with the city's wastewater plant or is the water only underground. Mayor Johnson explained users want the city's water. The city is in Class A or Class B for water. He continued if it is on a hay field or alfalfa it can be utilized. He stated the city has a lot of opportunities.

b. Consideration and Approval of Resolution No. 2359, A Resolution of the City of Bellevue, Idaho, Approving a One-Year Contract Extension of the City's Agreement with Jesus Freak Consulting, LLC for Water System Management Services

Mayor Johnson presented Resolution No. 2359, which approves a one-year contract extension with Jesus Freak Consulting, LLC for Water System Management Services. He stated that he and Mr. Shane Garrison spoke, and they are comfortable with the contract, and it is staying the same. Regarding other items, such as, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, potential project and contract services, the city is keeping in compliance with the individuals they have. He noted that they are doing their job, and he believes this is the city's best opportunity.

**Motion:** President Giordani moved to adopt Resolution No. 2359, A Resolution of the City of Bellevue, Idaho, Approving a One-Year Contract Extension of the City's Agreement with Jesus Freak Consulting, LLC for Water System Management Services. Council Member Carreiro seconded the motion. Council Members voting aye: Members Carreiro, Giordani, and Leahy. Members voting nay: None. The motion passed unanimously. Council Member Mahoney was not present for the vote.

c. Presentation: Sunrise Engineering City of Bellevue Proposed Business Core Overlay District and the Affordable Housing District, Lance Evans

Mayor Johnson turned the time over to Mr. Evans for his presentation of the Business Core Overlay and Affordable Housing Districts. Mr. Evans presented the slides, which were discussed with previous staff (2020). First, staff began the process with the Business Core Overlay District. Then they went on to modify the city's existing code to add in the Affordable Housing Code and Business Core Residential Overlay District. Finally, in June 2023, an Affordable Housing Developer Interview Report was conducted.

He said they had some good conversations with the developers and affordable housing in the area. Items discussed were as follows: increase overall supply; incentivize rather than mandate; smaller units incentivized; higher

density allowed, allowance for increased height in buildings; streamlining the code and processes; and utilizing affordable housing as an economic development tool for the city.

Mr. Evans pointed out that some of these were presented in March 2023, and these two codes were items that others requested. He stated that the biggest issues were annexations or upzones of properties on the amount of increase. The increase of units for both the Affordable Housing and Business Core Residential Overlay Districts were discussed. Mr. Evans noted according to Idaho Code, the city cannot mandate affordable housing; it is a bonus increase. Affordable Housing would be 25-percent and workforce units would be 50-percent. The Business Core Residential Overlay District would not have a density limit if 50-percent were for workforce or affordable housing. Regarding the Business Overlay Residential District, there would be severe limitations, and the development would be with a development agreement.

Mr. Evans discussed other elements to would need to be addressed: other modifications added in each respective process of the current code that may be applicable; annexation submittal requirements and procedures modified and added definitions; a map of the Business Core Residential Overlay Districts and boundary concept.

Council President Giordani said she remembered from the last discussion, she thought they were close with the Business Core Residential Overlay Districts; however, she thought there still needed to be a lot of work on the affordable housing. She inquired what the next step(s) were for affordable housing and what they think is good for the City of Bellevue.

Mayor Johnson indicated to him personally, he did not know how much the city should take. He went on to say he attended a meeting that day discussing what they are doing for housing challenges. He informed the Council High County has 12 units they have on lease. In addition, they are looking at Silver Creek; they want to sell it to Blaine County for affordable housing. He did not think the city was the nexus or the crutch for affordable housing. It was said the city did not have to fix the problem by itself. The City of Hailey is working on it, and the City of Ketchum is working on it as well.

Mayor Johnson said they needed to define what they wanted to do, and affordable housing is an option. However, he did not want to scare away developers. He stated that he was okay with 5-percent. He wanted to make sure the city is comfortable and not put too much strain on the developers. He reiterated he does not want the city to be the crutch for the county. Mayor Johnson indicated he was fine with affordable housing, but he did not want it adopted to the point that it infringes on the city's ability to grow.

Council President Giordani inquired what the next step(s) would be, a workshop? She indicated it is a complex thing, and she wanted to do what is a benefit for the city.

Mayor Johnson said he wanted the Council to see what Sunrise prepared; however, none of the individuals present asked for it. He went on to say they are working though it, and he thinks they need to wait until next year to address the item. Council President Giordani and Council Member Leahy stated they would like to have a workshop.

Mayor Johnson indicated he felt obligated to let Mr. Evans present what Sunrise prepared to justify the expenses and for the Council to see what had been completed. He thought the city was in a good place, and they needed to make sure they continued the discussion. In addition, it needs to go through Planning and Zoning again to be adjusted. His thought is, the Business Core Residential Overlay Districts needed to go to the city limits.

Ms. Shay commented that she read the document, and she thought there may be some conflicts with the design review guidelines for the city's commercial developments. She suggested it could be vetted in a workshop. She inquired if the city is already over the not to exceed amount and if they continue to have workshops, will the city continue to be billed.

Mayor Johnson stated Mr. Evans and his team have done what they can. The city does not need to continue to utilize Sunrise. The city needs to move forward with its team. He indicated he did not know what the best role was; however, it needs to go back to Planning and Zoning, find out what is the best for the city, and have a code. He wants the city to win and the developers to win. The city wants to bring in development and businesses.

Mayor Johnson continued. When affordable housing first came out, it was not a high priority. He is just trying to make sure the city gets the conversation going in a proper manner. He adds the discission does not have to be made tonight or in January. They need to rebuild the community development program, so they know how to react

to affordable housing and the Business Core Residential Overlay District. He stated they needed to get planning and zoning back on board and moving forward, the city needs to do community development.

Mr. Evans said he liked what they were saying, and thought the concept is there; the city can fine tune it. Mr. Evans was thanked for his time and said the city would get together to finalize the contract.

d. Consideration of Cancelling the Common Council Regularly Scheduled Meeting of December 26, 2023

**Motion:** President Giordani moved to cancel the Common Council regular meeting scheduled for December 26, 2023. Member Carreiro seconded the motion. Council Members voting aye: Members Leahy, Carreiro, and Giordani. Members voting nay: None. The motion passed unanimously. Council Member Mahoney was not present for the vote.

## 7. WORKSHOP

### Discussion Regarding the City of Bellevue's Water System Upgrades, Proposed Funding Package, Application Requirements, and Bond Education Campaign for Proposed Water System Upgrades (May 2024 Ballot)

Mayor Johnson informed the Council they need to start educating the city on what the city wants to accomplish. He went on to say they had a very good meeting with Great West Engineering on the sewer today, and they thought of a way they can present the two items in two different packages instead of a joint effort, and they could let Ms. Gillespie inform the city on how they could move forward in the city needs to do.

Ms. Gillespie addressed the Council; she indicated that she would walk through things; the discussion should be fairly simple and quick. She stated that she would be sending an email to Mayor Johnson and Ms. Snarr with a summary of what she covered this evening. She informed the Council there would not be any decisions or action items that she was seeking at this time. She only wanted to discuss some of the forthcoming action items and activities that the Mayor, staff member, and/or Common Council members might be involved in and any future decisions that will be requested from the Council during a public Council meeting during the months of January through April.

Ms. Gillespie informed the Council that Mr. Stuart Hurley, who is overseeing the project, had a conflict this evening at another city council meeting; however, he attended the meeting in October. She reminded the Council that all of the successful letter of interest package that Merrick submitted on behalf of the city for an amount of 9.6 million dollars that was requested. She went on to say what is based on what is called the Alternative 1 DEQ (Idaho Department of Environmental Quality Compliance) that is in the technically approved facility plan document.

Ms. Gillespie informed the Council that the letter she was summarizing right now as far as the packet that is proposed by DEQ should be in their packet. She noted that what they should be seeing the offer from DEQ is a total of 9.6 million dollars. She explained the offer is made up of two funding sources. The state revolving fund, which is a low interest loan (20 years at 2.5 annual fix interest rate). That loan is 6.3 million dollars. In addition, the city has a leading Idaho grant. Those were grant monies that were allocated from the Idaho State Budget Surplus. The governor really directed this and directed the legislature to look at communities that were in need of water and wastewater facilities improvements and upgrades. She noted it is proposed the city will receive 3.3 million dollars in grant funding. She stated that was a very great package from DEQ and the state. If the city were to accept this proposed offer, which includes 34-percent grant and 66-percent low interest loan, they are estimating based on current connections and the terms of 20 years and the terms of 2.5 interest rate, that each active service connection would increase by approximately \$30.00 per month to cover that proposed debt service.

Ms. Gillespie explained how the monies would be allocated because it is a sizable increase. First, the monies for the leading Idaho funds would be applied to the project in full, which would be a 100-percent grant. Then, the city would start dipping into the SRF loan. In order to move forward with the package, we have to complete a funding application. It is essentially an application that showcases the city's financial, managerial, and operational capacity. There are several documents, such as policies that are required, i.e., the handling of money and funds, ensuring the city's contractor operators have the appropriate level of licensure to operate the system.

Ms. Gillespie stated that their team is very well posed to put together the funding application; Ms. Snarr received a list of documents to provide to Merrick. At a future meeting, what will be required, will be a couple of documents for the Common Council's consideration. Once complied, Merrick will submit the documents to Ms. Snarr to distribute to the Council for their review of the application document and two other documents. The first document will be a resolution, which is a required resolution, from DEQ that authorizes the Council's signatory to sign any and all binding agreements that may come through from DEQ, pay applications, and any other required documents that helps streamline the process. The second document is an engineer/owner agreement, which is an EJCDC Agreement. It is an industry standard agreement for the entire process for both the responsibilities of the engineers and what the city's responsibilities are.

She stated that they like it when the Mayor, Council Members, and legal representative review the document and get back to Merrick with any issues they may have. They will be supplying that sometime in January that will be approved at a future meeting. She added that the two documents are required as a part of the complete funding application.

The other item DEQ is allowing communities to submit a full application with the understanding that communities may not have the debt authorization (bond election) from their communities that has been completed and has been passed by the community. She added that DEQ is allowing the submittal of the application, and the due date is March 30, 2024. The resolution application would need to be executed prior to that submittal. She went on to explain, DEQ allows communities to submit their applications by March 30, 2024, and then hold the May 2024 bond election.

Ms. Gillespie indicated that they have a great bond strategy. Upon a successful bond election, which would require 51-percent approval or more from the community members, those positive results would then go to DEQ and that is when they could approve the funding package that is offered.

Ms. Gillespie inquired if there were any questions that have come up during the discussion before she continued and discussed bond election education strategy. Mayor Johnson inquired if they are looking at any other funding options, such as, RE, or other options, or is the bond the city's next step?

Ms. Gillespie indicated that she would highly recommend that the city move forward with the bond; it is a great bond package the DEQ is offering to the city. She has talked to USDA Rural Development. Unfortunately, because of the median household income and some other area demographics for the area, even with some of the updates and changes, in her discussions with USDA, they said the city would likely be a 100-percent loan from USDA. She said that is something they could look further into because there could be an area of opportunity. She explained if the city proceeded with the package with DEQ, because they would utilize the grant monies first, they could look at refinancing because USDA's terms are favorable because their terms are 40 years in length instead of 20 years with DEQ.

She added the other option is to look at the community development block grant. She explained the MHI data that USDA uses is different than what Commerce uses. In her discussions with Commerce, the city could be a candidate for a community development block grant, which is up to approximately one-half-million dollars. However, that would be something they looked at next summer.

Mayor Johnson asked about the Army Corp of Engineers since they are improving delivery and a few other things. He figured USDA was not an option even though they have a very challenged middle class; the houses are selling for around \$900,000 it is hard to qualify for something like that. He said if (he would like) the city could look at Commerce and Army Corp of Engineers grant. He wants to make sure everyone knows the city is looking at all options.

He inquired how the city would sell "this" if the city was going to do this, how are they going to market it and package it; what is her recommendation?

Ms. Gillespie, before she answered Mayor Johnson's, wanted the Council to know that they have been in contact with Congressman Simpson's office about the city, and because the city is in Congressman's district, she would also highly recommend that the city seek out a congressional earmark from Congress. She informed the Council there is an opportunity for that, and that is something else they will also be pursuing. He is a great friend of Idaho

in this regard. He has allocated about a half dozen of those, and she believes there could be a good case made for the city. They like to see some interest from leadership and community members. That would be something she would like to talk to them about later.

She noted there is a parallel path they have to work down. The funding application and other pursuits they are looking at, and the third item is definitely pursuing the bond election. This is a proposal that they are looking at as far as timeframe, and they would like to get with the city's bond counsel. They would know the exact schedule better, and in order to meet the deadlines, they need to work the bond counsel a lot.

Council Member Leahy clarified the city would receive or utilize the grant monies first. Ms. Gillespie instated the city would utilize the grant monies first. It is one package; the package is not broken up. She believes there is some work they can still do to see if there is a better term they can produce – potentially up to 30 years. In addition, there might be some wiggle room on the interest rate. Finally, sometimes they allow principal forgiveness to be allocated as part of the loan package. It is somewhat like a grant through the state revolving fund to see if they could get them better rates.

Council Member Leahy inquired how much the city was proposing to bond. Mayor Johnson indicated approximately 6.5 million dollars. Ms. Gillespie indicated that the loan amount is 6.3 million dollars. But working with Ms. Quade, bond counsel, they want to see what the city is comfortable with doing, and they always recommend the city gets what they need.

Mayor Johnson stated they may say 6.5 million right now, but it could be 6.8 million. He wants to do it right and get it taken care of and not piece mill the project together and say they can do it in 5.5 million. He suggested that even though they are saying 6.5 to 6.8, he thought they should just say 7.0 million.

Mr. Garrison said when they are also talking about other funding opportunities, before March and April, unfortunately, most of those require that the city prove it can pay for it before they accept you. Often times, the city still has to bond for the full amount to prove the city can pay for it before they accept the application.

Mayor Johnson stated they may say they are bonding for 7.0 million, they may only end up taking a loan before they find other funding.

Ms. Gillespie indicated they have done this before with a lot of success. What they would like to propose is in the second meeting, they would come and present to the public and get the word out that they will be talking about the project and why it is so critical. They would talk about components, costs and funding options, and they may know more than they think. They would propose that they could help dev some of the bond materials: a small flyer that could go in the utility billing. In addition, they would have bond counsel review the material to make sure they are within compliance with Idaho Statutes, and the city is not trying to sell the bond to the community. As a city you have to be very careful not to oversell or promise. You are allowed to explain what the bond is, what the monies will be used for in a very simple manner so people can make their decision based on information and data.

They would also recommend that they develop a poster or two that would be utilized in an actual "bond election" education session. That would be about two or three hours on a Saturday in a place where you can have community members gather, such as a community hall that could host 50 to 60 people. She added that she would recommend that the Mayor, herself, Mr. Hurley and another engineer be in attendance. In addition, it would be great if Mr. Garrison could be present to discuss the issues the city has now. She said the process works wonderfully. People want to come, and the city and its operators, and Merrick could inform people regarding the information and the supporting data. She added that sometimes they can get a representative from DEQ; however, that is the city's decision, and who they would want present at the education session. She suggested early April would be a suitable time.

Mayor Johnson pointed out that Mr. Tony Evans, Idaho Mountain Express, was present at the meeting taking notes, and he wanted to make sure the city is sharing what the overall project is and what they are trying to accomplish with the bond. Mayor Johnson explained that in 2021-2022, the city did a sanitary survey where DEQ came in and looked at the city's water system and it overlooked the spring. He went on to explain what the project really entails is that the city's spring collection system is outdated and aged. He stated that the city did some testing to ensure the water quality is good. They did what is called, a Water Under the Influence of Surface Water.

They had to do a Fall and a Spring test to make sure the city did not have any surface water infiltrating into the city's spring system, and the tests were very positive for the city. He indicated what this project's entailment is to improve the collection system at the spring and remove the distribution system off the Etta Home Ranch and run it down an easement along the county road of Muldoon so the city can have better access and control of fixing leaks and anything else the city needs to do; in addition, it releases Etta Home Ranch of any liability. Mayor Johnson wanted to stress that all the tests are great, the water quality is good, and this is just an improvement. It will double the city's water capacity, and it will ensure the city has the capacity demands that they need to match their well; in addition, it is a backup supply.

Ms. Gillespie wanted to emphasize they will have a lot of activities over the course of January through April, and they will be gearing up to get the word out on the street. Furthermore, she highly recommended that the Council understand the messaging and be able to take it directly to their neighbors because everyone will get asked about this project, and why the rates need to go up to "x" amount of dollars, and why is the city taking on the bond. She stated that getting a good education out to the public is typically what makes the difference between a successful bond and an unsuccessful bond.

Council President Giordani inquired if the city was on schedule based on the flowchart timeline. Ms. Gillespie indicated the city is good with their timeline. Council President Giordani added that she looked forward to someone assisting them with the messaging and the communication side of it. She feels it is going to be a very big undertaking and just knowing they will be very supported; it gives her a lot of confidence.

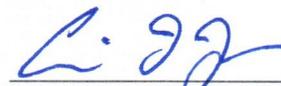
Mr. Evans informed the Council he would do his best to do correct messaging as well; to make sure he gets the numbers correct. Mayor Johnson said one thing Ms. Obenauf has taught him is they need to start doing more engagement with their community and being more transparent. He said he was onboard it. There are certain things they need to get out to the public; especially when they are talking about raising rates and financial stuff. The city needs to be transparent, telling residents why the city is doing what they are doing. He added that during the election, most people said they did not care what they had to pay; they just want services. People understand that rates and costs have increased, and it has to go somewhere. The city cannot do it all on their own. They will always have a portion of their population that is on a fixed income. The city will have to work with the elderly and those individuals that are on those types of things. These are things that have been kicked down the road too long, and he is really positive this board has the grasp of the idea of letting us get the things fixed because if they do not, it will never happen.

He said there were a lot of things they were working on. He appreciates the staff they have on board. They all understand they need to be fiscally responsible, but we need to get things done. They do not want to degrade the services they are offering. We want to continue to provide them. They will come at a cost, but they have seen what they have done in the last few weeks.

Mayor Johnson reiterated the city is looking at all funding options. He said he really appreciates where they are at, where they are going, and what they are doing. They would not be bringing this forward if it was not a need. They will continue to find the best alternatives, sell it the best way they can, and show them how they can continue to support them, what they paid for the last 20 years for the next 20 years.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business coming before the Common Council at this time, Council Member Carreiro moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. President Giordani seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

  
Chris Johnson, Mayor

  
Michelle K. Vest Snarr, City Clerk