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Minutes
Town of Hideout
Town Council Special Meeting
June 28, 2024

The Town Council of Hideout, Wasatch County, Utah met in a Special Meeting on June 28, 2024 at 3:00 pm electronically via Zoom and in the City Council Chambers located at 10860 N. Hideout Trail, Hideout, Utah.

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Special Meeting

I. Call to Order

Mayor Rubin called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm and explained the meeting was a hybrid meeting held both in person and electronically via Zoom.

II. Roll Call

Attending Remotely: Mayor Phil Rubin
Council Member Chris Baier
Council Member Jonathan Gunn
Council Member Carol Haselton
Council Member Bob Nadelberg

Excused: Council Member Ralph Severini

Staff Present: Recorder for Hideout Alicia Fairbourne
Town Administrator Jan McCosh

Staff Attending Remotely: Town Attorney Polly McLean
Financial Consultant Katie Shepley

Public Present: None.

Public Attending Remotely: None.

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III. Agenda Items

1. Discussion and possible approval of an amendment to the tentative budget for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025

Mayor Rubin provided context for the purpose of the Special Meeting and explained the necessity for the tentative budget amendment due to a recent Supreme Court ruling in Hideout's favor on the Richardson Flat Annexation. The council needed to include a placeholder amount in the budget to facilitate planning and professional consultations for the parcel's development.

1 Financial Consultant Katie Shepley presented the budget changes, noting an increase from the
2 previously approved figures. The primary adjustment was an additional \$90,000 to cover strategic
3 development, communications, annexation strategy, and public relations. This brought the overall
4 expected loss for Fiscal Year (FY) 25 to approximately \$290,000.

5 Mayor Rubin clarified that the new tax rate would rise by roughly 50% but emphasized that this
6 meeting's approval was for a placeholder figure, subject to detailed review during the Truth in
7 Taxation Meeting to be held on August 8, 2024. Council Member Baier inquired about the
8 rationale behind the \$90,000 increase, to which Mayor Rubin and Ms. Shepley explained it was
9 an estimated amount based on prior experience and anticipated professional service hours.

10 Council Member Baier expressed concerns about ensuring value for money and the efficacy of
11 the partners engaged. Mayor Rubin assured that any contract over \$15,000 would require council
12 approval as per Hideout Town Code.

13 There was an emphasis on the collaborative planning approach, with Mayor Rubin mentioning
14 planned visits to other developments and engagement with Wasatch County and Park City. The
15 Council agreed on the importance of strategic, quality spending.

16 There being no further discussion, Mayor Rubin requested a motion to approve the modifications
17 of the FY25 Tentative Budget.

18 ***Motion: Council Member Nadelberg moved to amend the previously adopted FY25 Tentative***
19 ***Budget. Council Member Haselton made the second. Voting Yes: Council Member Baier,***
20 ***Council Member Gunn, Council Member Haselton, and Council Member Nadelberg. Absent***
21 ***from Voting: Council Member Severini. There were none opposed. The motion carried.***

22 **IV. Meeting Adjournment**

23 There being no further business, Mayor Rubin asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

24 ***Motion: Council Member Gunn moved to adjourn the Special Meeting. Council Member***
25 ***Nadelberg made the second. Voting Yes: Council Member Baier, Council Member Gunn,***
26 ***Council Member Haselton, and Council Member Nadelberg. Absent from voting: Council***
27 ***Member Severini. There were none opposed. The motion carried.***

28 The meeting adjourned at 3:31 pm.

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34 Alicia Fairbourne, Recorder for Hideout
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