SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

SPOKANE CITY COUNCIL

Meeting of Thursday, March 21, 2024 11:00 A.M.

A special meeting of the Spokane City Council was held on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 11:05 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, Lower Level – City Hall, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington. The purpose of the special meeting was to hold a Special Legislative Session to consider the contract and resolution listed below. The recording of this meeting may be viewed at the following link: https://vimeo.com/spokanecitycouncil.

SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Roll Call

On roll call, Council President Wilkerson and Council Members Cathcart (appearing virtually), Dillon, Klitzke, Navarette, and Zappone were present. Council Member Bingle arrived at 11:16 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Personal Services Agreement with Jewels Helping Hands (as amended on March 18, 2024) (deferred from March 18, 2024, Agenda) (OPR 2024-0205) (Council Sponsors: Council Members Zappone, Bingle, and Klitzke)

After public testimony from one individual and Council and staff commentary, along with input and response from Julie Garcia of Jewels Helping Hands, the following action was taken:

Upon 7-0 Voice Vote, the City Council **approved** the Personal Services Agreement with Jewels Helping Hands (Spokane) for temporary shelter services at multiple church locations from March 2, 2024, through August 31, 2024-\$342,000.

LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Resolution 2024-0032—"Expo '74 Free Fare"

The following action was taken:

Motion by Council Member Zappone, seconded by Council Member Klitzke, **to suspend** the Council Rules to consider Resolution 2024-0032 [regarding the Spokane Transit Authority ("Expo '74 Free Fare")]; **carried 5-2.**

After an overview of Resolution 2024-0032 by Council Members Klitzke and Zappone, public testimony was received, and Council discussion held. The following action was taken:

Motion by Council Member Zappone, seconded by Council Member Klitzke, **to** make an oral amendment, since the rules are suspended, to clarify by amending the TBD (Transportation Benefit District) to PTBA (Public Transportation Benefit Area) in Resolution 2024-0032; carried 6-1.

After additional Council commentary, the following action was taken:

Upon 5-2 Roll Call Vote, the City Council **adopted Resolution 2024-003**, as amended, requesting the Spokane Transit Authority adopt a promotional "Expo '74 Free Fare" program to encourage regional participation in events celebrating the 50th anniversary of the 1974 World's Fair in Spokane.

Ayes: Dillon, Klitzke, Navarette, Wilkerson, and Zappone

Nos: Bingle, Cathcart

Abstain: None Absent: None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Bingle, seconded by Council Member Zappone, **to adjourn**; carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Minutes prepared and submitted for publication in the April 3, 2024, issue of the *Official Gazette*.

Terri Pfister
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City Clerk

Approved by Spokane City Council on April 8, 2024.

Betsy Wilkerson (Apr 10, 2024 09-12 PD)

Betsy Wilkerson City Council President

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