CITY of ROBERTS September 10, 2024 Public Hearing Meeting

The Roberts City Council met for a public hearing at the regular place of meeting, after having been notified of said meeting of said council.

Robert (BJ) BerlinMayor (Absent)	Ron Grant Maintenance
Edidt SanchezCouncil	Julie GarciaLibrary Director (Absent)
Ben PostonCouncil	Jed BigelowCity Attorney (Absent)
James ZillingerCouncil	Robert LoftusCertified CW Operator (Absent)
Shauna LounsburyCouncil	Gregg RodrickCertified WW Operator
April GalbraithClerk/Treasurer	Steve AndersonJefferson County Sheriff (Absent)

Also Present: Gale Scrivner, Karol Poston, Ursula Benkenstien, Connie Surerus, Tim Jones, Corporal Stewart with Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and Jaden Jackson with Keller Associates

Council President Edidt Sanchez opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

President Sanchez welcomed everyone to the hearing regarding Resolution 2024-0827, City Fees Schedule, in regards to increases greater than three percent (3%), new, or repealed.

President Sanchez read the Resolution Hearing Notice aloud:

Public Hearing Resolution #2024-0827 CITY OF ROBERTS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 AT 6:45 P.M.

The Roberts City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 6:45 p.m. to hear comments on a City Fee Resolution, Resolution No. 2024-0827. Exhibit A to this notice includes all proposed new fees and any fees increased by more than 5%. The fee resolution also establishes and repeals fee policies for administration of the fee resolution. Fees shall be in full force and effect on October 1, 2024. For more information on specific fees and amounts, please contact Roberts City Hall at 208-228-3220 or visit 647 N 2872 E, Roberts, Idaho, 83444.

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Amended Section of Fee Resolution	Fee	Amount	New Fee or Percentage Increase	
Section 1-A	Building Permit Application Fee	\$ 25.00	New	
	Fences (includes application review)	\$ 25.00 per 600 feet in combined length per parcel	New	
	Building Permits:		İ	
	\$1 - 4999	\$ 50.00	100%	
	\$5000 - \$99,000	\$ 75.00	50%	
	\$100,000+	\$200.00 for the first \$100,000 plus \$2.00 per \$1000 thereafter	New	
	\$200,000+	\$250.00	Repealed	
	Zone Change Application	\$150.00	200%	
	Special Use Permit	\$150.00	200%	
	Variance Request	\$150.00	200%	
	Roberts Fire District Impact Fees:			
	New Construction Residential	\$500.00	New	
	New Construction Commercial	\$ 00.05 per square foot	New	
Section 2-A	Shelters	\$50.00/4+ hours	New	
	Damages left by User		New	

Ursula Benkenstein, 2862 E 634 N, testified that she is the only person that lives at her home and that she doesn't use that much sewer or water. She is on Medicare.

President Sanchez answered that the city council recognizes that the increase is significant and the decision to increase the sewer and water rates was not taken lightly. The council understands that the increase may be a strain on residents.

Clerk read aloud the following written submissions:

Dale Burns, 2868 E 650 N, "I know that the prices of taking care of the water has gone up because you've hired somebody new. If you're on city council I'm not really too in favor cuz everything else is hard to get by with."

Sally Lounsbury, 2874 E 627 N, "Can we take money from city funds until Ron is certified then don't renew contract with Mountain West?"

Discussion: The licensing requirements has increased. The time it would take for an individual to obtain all of the training necessary would take 8-12 years. It would also take up to 6 individual operators to meet the federal requirements for a level three facility. An average annual salary is about \$90,000.

President Sanchez asked if there were any questions.

Gale asked Gregg, "For the contract for your services just good for a year?" Gregg said that the way the contract is written is as a yearly contract with an annual review. When the contract was made this year was with the contract staying the same or with a slight increase just to match inflation for next year in mind

President Sanchez asked if there was anyone else that would like to speak in favor or opposition.

No testimony given.

With no testimony given, President Sanchez Hearing at 6:56 PM.

Mayor Robert "BJ" Berlin

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