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AGENDA REGULAR IRONWOOD CITY COMMISSION MEETING **MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023**

LOCATION: IRONWOOD MEMORIAL BUILDING **COMMISSION CHAMBERS** 213 S. MARQUETTE ST. IRONWOOD, MI 49938

> Public Hearing – 5:15 P.M. – Vacate Alley Public Hearing – 5:20 P.M. - Marihuana Regular Meeting - 5:30 P.M.

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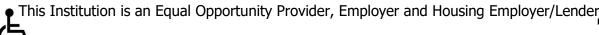
PUBLIC HEARING 5:15 P.M.

- 1. Open Public Hearing.
- 2. Public Hearing: To hear comment on Ordinance Number 544, an Ordinance to vacate the alley adjacent to 117 N. Hemlock and 115 N. Hemlock Street.

- 1. Open Public Hearing.
- 2. Public Hearing: To hear comment on Ordinance Number 543, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance Number 535, Book 5, of the "Code of Ordinances, City of Ironwood, Michigan", Chapter 37-4, item (d), and Chapter 37-4, item (b), Marihuana Establishment, regarding grow and processing licenses.

5:20 P.M.

3. Close Public Hearing.





REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.

- A. Regular Meeting Called to Order.
 Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.
- B. Recording of the Roll.
- C. Approval of the Consent Agenda. *

All items with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of those items unless a Commission member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- *1) Approval of Minutes:
 - a. Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2023.
- *2) Review and Place on File:
 - a. Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Meeting Minutes of August 24, 2023.
 - b. Economic Development Corporation Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2023.
 - c. Economic Development Corporation Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2023.
 - d. Ironwood Carnegie Library Board Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2023.
 - e. Ironwood Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2023.
 - f. Ironwood Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2023.
 - g. Ironwood Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2023.
- D. Approval of the Agenda.
- E. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).
- F. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

OLD BUSINESS

- G. Discuss and consider adopting Ordinance Number 543, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance Number 535, Book 5, of the "Code of Ordinances, City of Ironwood, Michigan", Chapter 37-4, item (d), and Chapter 37-4, item (b).
- H. Discuss and consider adopting Ordinance Number 544, an Ordinance to Vacate the alley adjacent to 117 N. Hemlock and 115 N. Hemlock Street.
- Discuss and consider approving Change Order 4 for Flowtrack Mountain Bike Trails, LLC for an increase of \$513.86 for the MDNR Trust Fund Mountain Bike Trail Project in Miners Memorial Heritage Park.
- J. Discuss and consider authorizing Payment #18 to Flowtrack Mountain Bike Trails, LLC in the amount of \$15,438.49 for the MDNR Trust Fund Mountain Bike Trail Project in Miners Memorial Heritage Park.

NEW BUSINESS

- K. Discuss and consider a License Agreement for Krist Oil to use a portion of the City-owned alleyway immediately to the north of Krist Oil Company's property located at 1340 E. Cloverland Drive.
- L. City Manager's Report.
- M. Other Matters.
- N. Adjournment.

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on September 25, 2023 at 5:30 P.M., in the Commission Chambers, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood.

- A. Mayor Corcoran called the Regular Meeting to Order at 5:30 P.M.
- B. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioners Andresen, Korpela, Mildren, Semo, and Mayor Corcoran ABSENT: None

- C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.
 - *1) Approval of Minutes:
 - a. Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2023.
 - *2) Review and Place on File:
 - a. Ironwood Housing Commission Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2023.

Motion was made by Korpela, seconded by Andresen, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

D. Approval of the Agenda.

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpela, and carried, to approve the Agenda as presented.

- E. Review and Place on File:
 - 1. Revenue & Expenditure Report.
 - 2. Cash and Investment Summary Report.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, and carried, to receive and place on file the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures Report for the month ending August 31, 2023, and the Cash and Investment Summary Report for August 2023.

F. Approval of Monthly Check Register Report.

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpela, to approve the Check Register Report for August 2023 as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

G. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

There were none.

H. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

Don Maki (132 Smith Street), addressed the Commission about three matters and would like information on the following: 1) Why all the blight items from town are brought to the City DPW Garage near his home to turn that site into blight? 2) Is there a way to budget funds to blacktop the section of the road by the DPW Garage and UPS to reduce the dust? and 3) The culvert and ditch on the corner of Clemens and Smith Street need fixing.

OLD BUSINESS

I. Discuss and consider approving Change Order #1 for Jakes Excavating, which is a reduction of \$285,948.72 for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project.

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpela, to approve Change Order #1 for Jakes Excavating, which is a reduction of \$285,948.72 for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

J. Discuss and consider approval of Payment #6, the final Pay Application for Jakes Excavating, in the amount of \$5,000 for the 2022 Sewer and Water Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

Motion was made by Andresen, seconded by Korpela, to approve Payment #6, the final Pay Application for Jakes Excavating, in the amount of \$5,000 for the 2022 Sewer and Water Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

K. Discuss and consider approval of Payment #2, the final Pay Application for Visu-Sewer, in the amount of \$313,120.37 for the Sewer Lining Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

Motion was made by Andresen, seconded by Mildren, to approve Payment #2, the final Pay Application for Visu-Sewer, in the amount of \$313,120.37 for the Sewer Lining Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

L. Discuss and consider approval of the Rural Development Pay Package in the amount of \$29,496.25 for the City of Ironwood – Water Treatment Plant Phase I Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Korpela, to approve the Rural Development Pay Package in the amount of \$29,496.25 for the City of Ironwood – Water Treatment Plant Phase I Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

M. Discuss and consider approving Change Order #1 for CD Smith, which is an increase of \$70,852.65 for the Water Treatment Plant Phase I Project.

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Semo, to approve Change Order #1 for CD Smith, which is an increase of \$70,852.65 for the Water Treatment Plant Phase I Project. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

N. Discuss and consider adopting the Forest Management Plan developed by Green Timber Consulting Foresters for the Norrie Park, Miners Park, and Riverside Cemetery locations. A full copy of the Forest Management Plan is available on the City's website at:

https://www.keepandshare.com/doc7/69137/forest-management-plan-draft-pdf-14-2-meg?dn=y

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, to adopt adopting the Forest Management Plan developed by Green Timber Consulting Foresters for the Norrie Park, Miners Park, and Riverside Cemetery locations. A full copy of the Forest Management Plan is available on the City's website at: https://www.keepandshare.com/doc7/69137/forest-management-plan-draft-pdf-14-2-meg?dn=y Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

O. Discuss and consider introduction of Ordinance Number 543, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance Number 535, Book 5, of the "Code of Ordinances, City of Ironwood, Michigan", Chapter 37-4, item (d), and Chapter 37-4, item (b), and schedule a Public Hearing for 5:20 PM on Monday, October 9, 2023.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Korpela, and carried, to acknowledge Ordinance Number 543, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance Number 535, Book 5, of the "Code of Ordinances, City of Ironwood, Michigan", Chapter 37-4, item (d), and Chapter 37-4, item (b), and schedule a Public Hearing for 5:20 PM on Monday, October 9, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

P. Discuss and consider introduction of Ordinance Number 544, an Ordinance to Vacate the alley adjacent to 117 N. Hemlock and 115 N. Hemlock Street, and schedule a Public Hearing for 5:15 PM on Monday, October 9, 2023.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, and carried, to acknowledge Ordinance Number 544, an Ordinance to Vacate the alley adjacent to 117 N. Hemlock and 115 N. Hemlock Street, and schedule a Public Hearing for 5:15 PM on Monday, October 9, 2023.

Q. Manager's Report.

City Manager Paul Anderson provided the following verbal updates:

Engineering Updates

- 1. Phase 1 water plant project has started. The deepest foundation hole has been dug, concrete bottom matt rebar is formed and should be poured in the next day or two.
- 2. The Theatre sidewalk project is wrapping up with punch list work remaining.
- 3. Hemlock Street construction is awaiting confirmation of final punch list work being completed.
- 4. Angelo Luppino is complete with asphalt patches and scheduling concrete patches around town.
- 5. Miners Park Mountain Bike Trail project by Flow Track is complete! A final inspection needs to be conducted by staff to find any final issues. Staff has a few more signs to install still. Final numbers were that 10.7 miles of trail were constructed, 1115 feet of skills park, 107 signs installed. We would like to thank Joe Dykstra of Wilderness Contracting and Matt Belic of Flow Track for a job well done. We will be scheduling a ribbon cutting event for this wonderful project in the next two weeks.
- 6. The \$3MIL lead service line replacement project will be beginning soon. Jakes will have fall 2023, 2024 and 2025 to complete approximately 225 water service line replacements.
- 7. The Memorial Building boiler project is ongoing. The new boilers were delivered today and are being installed this week by Automated Comfort Controls.

Managers Updates

- 1. The Hiawatha Park fundraising campaign through Patronicity was successful! We raised approximately \$56,000 which takes us up to a \$156,000 project. I'd like to THANK Renee Semo for her \$50,000 donation, Tim Erickson for all his work organizing this, and all the people and entities who have donated to this effort! We look forward to implementing this great project next year.
- 2. The Nov. 7 Election is in underway with ballots delivered today. Currently the Clerk's office sent out 731 absentee voter applications. Approximately 185 applications have been returned and ballots will be mailed starting tomorrow. Qualified voters who wish to vote absentee can contact the Clerk's office.
- 3. City Deer Hunt starts Oct 1 and goes through 12/31. Come into the Clerk's office for the application process.
- 4. DPW Staffing update:
 - 1. DPW Supervisor job posting is currently out for advertisement. We welcome applications from qualified candidates.
 - 2. We are working on filling two open positions still.
 - 3. Equipment Repair we have a selected candidate waiting to go through the physical and drug screening. Hoping to have him on board in mid to late October.
 - 4. Equipment Operator II Sewer we are working through the interview and application process. I encourage anyone who is interested in joining our team to fill out an application at any time.
- 5. We are still looking for one more member for the Ironwood Housing Board of Directors. Any qualified applicants should inquire at the Clerk's office.
- 6. Michigan Works will be holding a job fair lunch here at the Memorial building Auditorium on 10/3/23 from 0930-3:30.
- 7. Ironwood Chamber of Commerce is putting on a Volunteer Fair on November 9th from 3-6 PM.
- 8. Halloween is just around the corner! Halloween Trick or Treating will be celebrated from 4-7 PM on Tuesday 10/31 this year.

R. Other Matters.

Commissioner Mildren thanked the participants in the First Friday events this summer and reminded everyone to come out October 6th at 6:00pm for the annual Plaidurday Photo in downtown Ironwood.

S. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren, and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 P.M.

Kim S. Corcoran, Mayor

Jennifer L. Jacobson, City Clerk



Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Thursday, August 24, 2023

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 8:00 A.M. in the Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room.

- 1. Call to Order: Chair Flory called the meeting to order at 8:03 A.M.
- 2. Recording of the Roll.

MEMBER	PRES YES	SENT NO_	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Cathy Flory	X			
Nancy Korpela, Vice	<u>X</u>			
Kim Corcoran	X			<u> </u>
Robert Alexander	X			
Vacant				
Vacant				
Ben Thompson	X			
Robbie Sardinha	X			<u> </u>
Bruce Greenhill		X		
	6	1	Quorum	

Also, present: Community Development Assistant, Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the July 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Corcoran to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Korpela. Motion carried 6 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Corcoran to approve the agenda. Second by Korpela. Motion carried 6 to 0.

- 5. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.
- 6. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items not on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): Director Meyer talked about the Jack Frost Festival. The Jack Frost tree has new lights which will be installed at the end of September. Fe Live Life was brought up along

with a Fall Friday Fish Fry Fest. The chamber is moving their website operations. The Chamber will have interns this year.

- 7. Receive and place on file the financial report: No report.
- 8. Audience with Jackie Powers, SISU Ski Fest Race Director: Jackie Powers presented before the DIDA and discussed partnering with the DIDA and sponsoring the First Friday in January.
- 9. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - A. Discuss and consider purchasing downtown light pole wreaths: The wreath letter was presented. Staff will review how many were purchased last year and then the DIDA will make a decision.
 - B. Annual Pocket Park & art Park snow shoveling: Staff will receive a quote from 906 Tree Service for 2023/2024 snow shoveling of the pocket park and art park.
 - C. First Friday Update: Erickson gave an update of September First Friday. Flory discussed working closer with the farmers market.
 - D. Depot Park Farmers & Artisans Market: This was discussed in 9C.

E. 2023 Goals:

- Update on Downtown Development Plan and TIF: No update.
- Downtown wide snow removal: Staff received a quote and will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Downtown Historic Signage: The historic signs are being installed by volunteers with staff supervision.
- Downtown Business Communication: Discussion about reaching out to new businesses was discussed.
- Public Parking, Bike Racks, Garbage Can locations and Restroom Map: No update.
- Building vacancies-building inventory: Alexander stressed the urgency of prioritizing vacant and deteriorating buildings in the district by focusing on a core area. The building inventory will be updated with full info and will be worked on by staff and reviewed by DIDA.
- Downtown Vision Plan as Part of Comprehensive Plan Revision: Ideas will be discussed at the next meeting.

- 10. Other Business: Corcoran asked if the Ironwood Chamber could have a monthly agenda item
- 11. Next Meeting: Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.
- 12. Adjournment.

Motion by Korpela to adjourn the meeting, second by Thompson. Motion carried 6 to 0.

Cathy Flory, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant



Proceedings of the Economic Development Corporation Meeting Wednesday, May 3, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) was held on Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. in the Commission Chambers.

- 1. Chairman Meyer called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- 2. Recording of the Roll

	Pre	sent		
MEMBER	YES	NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Thorsen, Gina	X			
Korpela, Nancy	X			
Lehto, Steve	X			<u> </u>
Meyer, Michael	X			
Corcoran, Kim	X			
Vacant				
Schonberg, Bob		X		X
Ackerman-Behr, Glen		X	X	
Libby, Carolyn	X			
Ouorum	6	2	Quorum	

Also Present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the April 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Corcoran to accept the meeting minutes. Second by Korpela. Motion Carried 6 to $\mathbf{0}$.

4. Approval of the Agenda.

Motion by Corcoran to approve the amended Agenda. Second by Korpela. Motion Carried 6 to 0.

- 5. Citizens wishing to address the Corporation regarding Items on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): None.
- 6. Citizens wishing to address the Corporation regarding items not on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): None.
- 7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.

- A. Housing Update: The regional housing group hasn't met again. The City is working with a developer for the Wells Fargo site. The City is considering doing a housing plan to determine need and looking into developable sites. This project would come from existing funding. Corcoran asked for this to be included in the City Commission budgeting process.
- B. Marketing Booklet for Developers (Home and Commercial Building Rehab) MEDC Emerging Developer Road Show: Meyer discussed the need for a group to discuss what should be included in the booklet. Bergman encouraged members of the EDC to submit items that they think developers need to know.
- C. Update on Downtown Development Plan and TIF Plan: The City is in the waiting period until the end of this month. If a taxing jurisdiction opts out, it will change the TIF and the clock may need to start again.
- D. Redevelopment Ready Communities Update: Staff is still working on certification and reviewed the active tasks.
- 8. Other Business: The City Commission approved two additional licenses that will be issued to the next two highest scorers from the rubric. The EDC discussed the marijuana economy and the impact on it with Minnesota legalizing soon.
- 9. Next Meeting: June 7, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
- 10. Adjournment. **Motion** by Korpela to adjourn at 10:27 a.m. **Second** by Lehto. **Motion Carried 6** to 0.

Michael Meyer, President

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant



Proceedings of the Economic Development Corporation Meeting Wednesday, June 7, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) was held on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. in the Women's Club Room

- 1. Director Bergman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- 2. Recording of the Roll

	Pre	sent		
MEMBER	YES	NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Thorsen, Gina	X			
Korpela, Nancy	X			<u> </u>
Lehto, Steve	X			
Meyer, Michael		X	<u>X</u>	
Corcoran, Kim	X			
Vacant				
Schonberg, Bob		X		X
Ackerman-Behr, Glen		X	X	
Libby, Carolyn	X			
Ouorum	5	3	Quorum _	

Also Present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the April 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Korpela to accept the meeting minutes. Second by Corcoran. Motion Carried 5 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda.

Motion by Corcoran to approve the Agenda. Second by Thorsen. Motion Carried 5 to

- 5. Citizens wishing to address the Corporation regarding Items on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): None.
- 6. Citizens wishing to address the Corporation regarding items not on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): None.
- 7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.

A. Housing Update: Bergman met with Michael Meyer to go over topics for the booklet. The City has a letter of intent for the rural readiness grant for a housing study. The housing developer that the City has been working with is continuing to move forward. The City and the developer will know if the project is funding in 2024.

Korpela asked about the old Pamida building. Director Bergman updated the Corporation and stated that storage isn't an acceptable use in the zoning ordinance. This will most likely become a zoning issue. The Corporation discussed needing to address this issue sooner than later.

Bergman has been in discussion with Highland Copper about their housing needs. WUPPDR has identified some potential funding to assist with housing initiatives. The short-term rental problem will be exacerbated due to the workers coming into the area and utilizing this type of housing. A potential hotel development was discussed. Tax abatement and MEDC programming was mentioned as potential assistance for development related projects.

MSU Extension is doing a few sessions on short term rental regulations.

Ironwoods property values are so low that building a new home isn't financially feasible for developers. If housing values can increase, housing developers may be interested in building in the City.

- B. Marketing Booklet for Developers (Home and Commercial Building Rehab) MEDC Emerging Developer Road Show: This topic was discussed in item A.
- C. Update on Downtown Development Plan and TIF Plan: The plan will be on the City Commissions second meeting in June for adoption. A workshop can be done to discuss the project.
- D. Redevelopment Ready Communities Update: Three more items are needed to get completed.
- 8. Other Business: None.
- 9. Next Meeting: June 28, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
- 10. Adjournment. **Motion** by Korpela to adjourn at 10:22 a.m. **Second** by Thorsen. **Motion** Carried 5 to 0.

Michael Meyer, President

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant

IRONWOOD CARNEGIE LIBRARY MINUTES

Regular Library Board Meeting 4pm Tuesday, August 15 2023 Held at the Ironwood Memorial Building Auditorium

- I. Call to order. 4:00. Attending- Kim Corcoran, Helen Slining, Amber Hurkmans, Pam Johnson, Lynne Wiercinski. Absent- Wendy Hicks, Kathi Maciejewski, and Wiatt LaBo
- II. Approval of June Financial Reports- Not available
- III. Approval of July Financial Reports- Not available
- IV. Approval of July Minutes- Pam Johnson moved, Helen Slining seconded, all approved.
- V. Adjustments to the Agenda- After c. Programming, add d. Wage Increases
- VI. Unfinished/Continuing Business
 - a. Building Updates
 - 1. **Firewall/Access Points-**Lynne stated that we are going to proceed with getting this very important work done. We got a huge discount, saving us 60-75%.

b. Grants/Fundraising

- 1. Community Center Grant- Lynne is working on this Grant with an 8/31 due date. We were encouraged to submit the grant application with a site plan. A motion was made Amber Hurkmans to accept the contract in the amount of \$2800. Helen Slining seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Amber Hurkmanns, Helen /Slining and Pam Johnson voted Yes. Motion carried. Lynne will approach the City Commission for approval at their next meeting as the library building is owned by the city.
- 2. Michigan Read Grant- Lynne stated that we applied and received \$750. The Library is working with LVD and send some 4th graders to Watersmeet to spend a day learning Ojibwe culture. Ironwood Carnegie has been chosen as a site for an author visit by Angeline Boulley, author of Firekeeper's Daughter. We will work with LVD to bring their students here for the event which will be held at GCC's Lindquist Center, with GCC being a Michigan Read partner. Ironwood will be 1 of 10 stops in Michigan. The date of the visit is still being finalized.
- c. Township Contract-Lynne told the board has spoken with Jay Kangas, Ironwood Township Supervisor, and confirmed that the township's contract for library services will be up for renewal next year with new contract service time beginning 7/1/24.
- d. **Programming-** Summer programming ended and went very well. There was great attendance. Lynne will have numbers of readers for the board next month.
- e. Wage Increases- Lynne asked the board to review the wording and the board's intent on timing for wage increases last month. Wage increases will be effective July 1, 2023 raising Ken Wegmeyer, Catherine Parisienne, Marianne Andresen, and Kathy Kafczynski to \$11.00 per hour and Lynne Wiercinski to \$20.00 per hour were clarified. Amber Hurkmans moved, Helen Slining seconded, and all approved. A roll call vote was taken. Amber Hurkmanns, Helen Slining and Pam Johnson voted Yes. Motion carried.

VII. New Business

a. Penal Fines- Penal fines are \$18,000, down from our estimate of \$20,000 for the year.

- b. **DIDA** Seat- The DIDA requested that Lynne or a member of the Library Board serve on the DIDA. There is a meeting once a month and Lynne will take the seat and keep the board informed to make certain she has the time to serve effectively on that board.
- **c. Generative AI with Michigan Tech-**We are happy to participate in Michigan Tech's pilot project, with a goal of assisting older adults with technology questions. 5 libraries were selected to participate in the initial phase of compiling data regarding the number and type of questions staff and patrons have on the use of technology.
- **d.** Access for attorney building- The Attorney's building next to the library, needs access through our property for electrical work and will reach out to the City for approval.
- e. **Health Resource Fair-** August 23 at the Civic Center. Lynne will have a table with information on the ALA grant and serving older adults.
- VIII. Director Report Lynne reported that the Library was represented at the Gogebic County Fair by Lynne, Amber and the Friends of the Library.
- IX. Board Comments- None
- X. Public invitation to be heard- None

(5-minute limitation per speaker)

XI. Adjournment.4:38. Amber Hurkmans moved, Pam Johnson seconded, all approved.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE IRONWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION Thursday, July 6, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Thursday, July 6, 2023 in the City of Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room.

1. Call to Order: Chairman Davey called the meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Recording of the Roll:

	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT
MEMBER	YES	NO	EXCUSED	EXCUSED
Sam Davey	X			
Scott Bissell		X	X	
Stephanie Holloway	X			
Mark Silver		X	X	
John Spence	X			
Rich Jenkins	X			
Vacant				
David Andresen ex-officio, non-voting member	X			
	5	2		

Also present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the June 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Jenkins to approve the Meeting Minutes. Second by Holloway. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Jenkins to approve the Agenda with the next meeting corrected to August 3rd. Second by Spence. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items on the Agenda (three-minute limit): None.

- 6. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items <u>not on</u> the Agenda (three-minute limit): None.
- 7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - A. Free World Farms Site Plan for Grow and Processing Facility Extension request: Director Bergman presented the request. The applicant discussed his request and the reason for the need of an extension. Spence asked about the surrounding residential neighborhood and the impact to them.

Motion by Spence to approve an extension of 18 months for the grow facility. Second by Holloway. Motion Carried 4 to 0.

- B. Comprehensive Plan Implementation Status of Priority Action Items.
 - Strategy 4.2 Prepare a Wayfinding Master Plan: The committee will be continuing to meet and will present to the Commission when ready.
 - II. Downtown Development Plan and TIF Plan Project: The City Commission will be doing a workshop before adoption.
- 8. Other Business: The Comprehensive Plan revision RFP is being created.
- 9. Next Meeting: Thursday, August 3, 2023 at the Ironwood Memorial Building.
- 10. Adjournment:

Motion by Jenkins to adjourn the meeting. Second by Holloway. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Adjournment at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Sam Davey, Chair Rich Jenkins Vice Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant



Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee Monday, June 5, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Monday, June 5, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. at the City of Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room, 213 S. Marquette Street, Ironwood, MI 49938.

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Davey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRES YES	SENT NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Paul Kostelnik	Χ			
Sam Davey	Χ			
Tom Kangas – Vice Chair	X			
Kim Corcoran, ex-officio, non-voting	X			
Jerry Nezworski	Χ			
Danielle Boyette	X			
Randy Kirchhoff	Χ			
Jake Ring		X	X	
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Also present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Kirchhoff to approve the Meeting Agenda. Second by Nezworski. Motion carried $\bf 6$ to $\bf 0$.

4. Approval of the May 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Kostelnik to approve the Minutes. Second by Kangas. Motion carried 6 to 0.

- 5. Citizens wishing to address the Committee on Items on the agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.
- 6. Citizens wishing to address the Committee on items not on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): None.
- 7. Items for discussion and consideration.
 - A. Iron Belle Mountain Bike Trail: Director Bergman discussed the potential for mountain bike trail being constructed along the Iron Belle Trail. Funding mechanisms were talked about. The funding could be accrued over the years for larger projects or spent annually for small projects and or maintenance.

B. Adjacent Property to Miners Park east of Bonnie Street: Director Bergman presented the map of the property. The current owner is selling this property. The property is zoned open, which means that nothing can be constructed on it. If acquired, this property would extend the Miners Park. Fencing would need to be constructed around sink holes if the City purchases the land.

Motion by Kangas to recommend to the City Commission to purchase the property. Second by Kirchhoff. Motion carried 6 to 0.

- C. Update on Pickleball Courts Resurfacing of Norrie Park Tennis Courts: The City Manager is still working on the paving projects and the resurfacing may be included this season.
- D. Motorized Trails Update GRTA: Nezworski mentioned one intersection along the Iron Belle Trail that needs to be addressed.
- E. Project Updates (Hiawatha Park Expansion, Forest Management Plan, Southern Beltline Acquisition, Curry Park, Miners Park MTB Trail, Norrie Park Renovation):

Hiawatha Park Expansion: Staff met with Penchura and the donor. They discussed some other funding and layouts of the park. A rough plan will be together by Festival Ironwood. The City Commission and Parks and rec will need to be on board for the designs and funding mechanisms.

Forest Management Plan: The forester was in town to start the field work.

Southern Beltline Acquisition: Director Bergman is meeting with the attorney.

Curry Park: Bid spec is still in process. Davey suggested marketing the Curry Park campground more.

Miners Park MTB Trail: The trails will be completed in early August. Sign posts are currently being installed.

Norrie Park Renovation: No report.

- 8. Other Business Reminder of expiring terms.
- 9. Next Meeting: Monday, June 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.
- 10. Adjournment: Motion by Kostelnik to adjourn the meeting. Second by Nezworski. Motion Carried 6 to 0. Adjournment at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfulk**?**Submitted

Sam Davey, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant



Proceedings of the Parks and Recreation Committee Monday, July 13, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was held on Monday, July 13, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. at the City of Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room, 213 S. Marquette Street, Ironwood, MI 49938.

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Davey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair:

Nomination by Kangas, Second by Nezworski to elect Davey as Chair.

Motion by Kostelnik to approve Davey as Chair. Second by Kangas. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Nomination by Davey, Second by Kostelnik to elect Kangas as Vice-Chair.

Motion by Ring to approve the Kangas as Vice-Chair. Second by Kostelnik. Motion carried 5 to 0.

3. Recording of the Roll:

MEMBER	PRES YES	SENT NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Paul Kostelnik	X			
Sam Davey	Χ			<u> </u>
Tom Kangas – Vice Chair	X			
Kim Corcoran, ex-officio, non-voting		X	X	
Jerry Nezworski	X			
Danielle Boyette		X	X	
Randy Kirchhoff		X	X	
Jake Ring	X			
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Also present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman and Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Kostelnik to approve the Meeting Agenda. Second by Ring. Motion carried 5 to 0.

5. Approval of the May 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Kostelnik to approve the Minutes. Second by Nezworski. Motion carried 5 to 0.

- 6. Citizens wishing to address the Committee on Items on the agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.
- 7. Citizens wishing to address the Committee on items <u>not</u> on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): None.
- 8. Items for discussion and consideration.
 - A. Hiawatha Park Expansion MEDC Patronicity Crowdfunding Grant: The City is doing a Patronicity grant to fundraise \$50,000 to be matched by a \$50,000 from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

Motion by Kangas to support the project. Second by Kirchhoff. Motion carried 5 to 0.

- B. Update on Pickleball Courts Resurfacing of Norrie Park Tennis Courts: The City will be holding off on the project for this year. Norrie Park may not be the best location due to mosquitos. A new location will need to be identified.
- C. Motorized Trails Update GRTA: The free fall ride is coming up with a 50/50 raffle. The motorized trail to Wakefield is being worked out. The committee discussed different ways that the trails are funded. The GRTA will be meeting with City staff to go over sign locations.
- D. Project Updates (Hiawatha Park Expansion, Forest Management Plan, Southern Beltline Acquisition, Curry Park, Miners Park MTB Trail, Norrie Park Renovation):

Forest Management Plan: The consultant has completed the analysis.

Southern Beltline Acquisition: Attorney Dean is getting the quiet title process going.

Curry Park: Bid spec is still in process. The electrical service into Curry Park needs to be fixed.

Miners Park MTB Trail: Trail in the main park is close to being complete. Sign posts will be installed after that. The East Park will be the last installation. The project will be complete in August.

Norrie Park Renovation: No update.

- 9. Other Business:
- 10. Next Meeting: Monday, August 7, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.
- 11. Adjournment: Motion by Nezworski to adjourn the meeting. Second by Ring. Motion Carried 5 to 0. Adjournment at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Sam Davey, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant



To: Mayor Corcoran and City Commission

From: Tom Bergman, Community Development Director

Date: September 26, 2023 **Meeting Date:** October 9, 2023

Re: Adoption of Ordinance Number 543, an Amendment to Ordinance Number 537, Chapter 37,

Marihuana Establishment, regarding grow and processing licenses

Background

On November 3rd, 2022, the Planning Commission made the recommendation to expand to unlimited marihuana grow licenses. This was part of a multifaceted recommendation that included the expansion of retail licenses that the City Commission eventually moved forward with. Since then, the Planning Commission has received requests to act on creating the additional grow licenses. The rational behind expanding grow licenses is that it has little negative impact on the community because they can only be in the Industrial Zoned Districts and they are heavily regulated by the state for security measures and odor nuisances. We currently have very limited industrially zoned properties so the number of licenses issued will be limited geographically. The benefit to adding grow licenses is the continued development investment in the City as well as the creation of additional job opportunities.

Update

Since the last meeting, a couple references to the old zoning ordinance were identified in the sign section of the Marihuana Establishment Ordinance. The current draft includes updated references to the new zoning ordinance. Attached is the zoning map showing Industrial zoned properties that are eligible for grow facility development.

Recommendation

Adopt or Deny Ordinance Number 543, an Ordinance to Amend Ordinance Number 535, Chapter 37, Marihuana Establishments, of the Code of Ordinances.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 535, BOOK NUMBER 5, OF THE "CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF IRONWOOD, MICHIGAN," CHAPTER 37-4, OPERATION WITHOUT A LICENSE ITEM (d) AND CHAPTER 37-6, LICENSE APPLICATION EVALUATION ITEM (b).

THE CITY OF IRONWOOD ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Code entitled "Code of Ordinances, City of Ironwood, Michigan," Chapter 37-4, Operation Without a License item (d), and Chapter 37-6, License Application Evaluation item (b) are hereby amended as follows:

1. Section 37-4 Operation Without a License item (d) is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 37-4 Operation Without a License item (d):

- (d) The City shall issue no more than two (2) Marihuana Microbusiness/Class Microbusiness licenses. The City shall issue no more than four (4) Marihuana Retailer licenses. Marihuana Grow, Marihuana Processor, Marihuana Safety Compliance Facilities, and Marihuana Secure Transporters licenses are unlimited. The following establishments are prohibited and can only be licensed by a change to this Ordinance: Designated Consumption Establishment, Marihuana Event Organizer, and Temporary Marihuana Event Licenses.
- 2. Section 37-6 License Application Evaluation item (b) is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 37-6 License Application Evaluation item (b):

(b) Once reviewed for completeness by the above-mentioned individuals, the application will be ranked by the Planning Commission and the City Commission pursuant to a merit review process based upon a scoring rubric outlining factors and weight of criteria considered for scoring the application. Once the application is scored, the individual applicant shall be notified of the order of their placement, and those within the cap may proceed through the license application process accordingly. Marihuana Grow, Marihuana Processor, Marihuana Safety Compliance Facilities, and Marihuana Secure Transporters licenses are exempt from the merit review process.

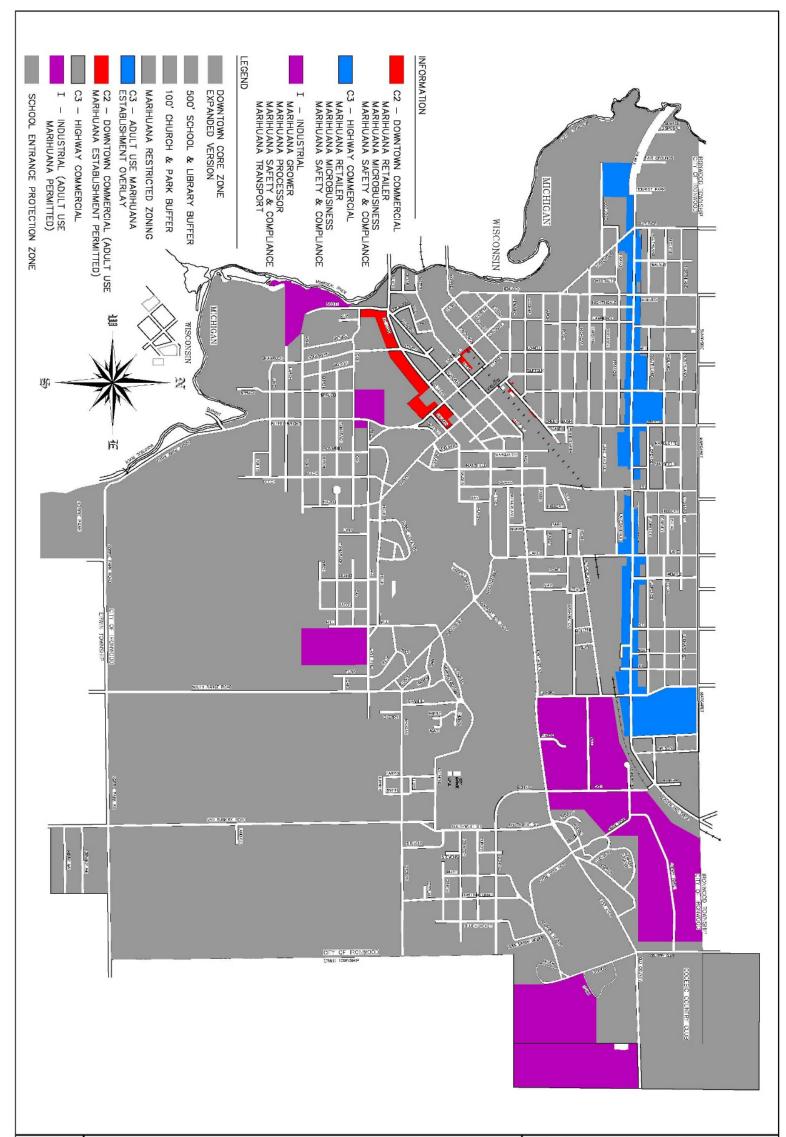
Section 2. Repealer. Any Ordinance that is in conflict is hereby repealed.

Section 3. Severability. If any word, clause, sentence, paragraph, or provision of this ordinance is deemed to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such word, clause, sentence, paragraph or provision so designated shall be deemed severable and the remaining provisions of the ordinance shall be deemed fully enforceable.

Section 4. Effective Date. The terms and provisions of this ordinance shall become effective upon publication and adoption in accordance with law.

Adopted and approved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, Michigan, this 9th day of October 2023.

Effective: October 12, 2023	
	KIM S. CORCORAN, MAYOR
ATTEST:	
JENNIFER L. JACOBSON, CITY CLERK	





213 S. MARQUETTE ST. IRONWOOD, MI 49938 PH: (906) 932-5050 FAX: (906) 932-5745

ADULT USE MARIHUANA ZONES EXPANDED CORE, NEW BUFFERS

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MEMO

To: Mayor Corcoran and The City Commission

From: Tom Bergman, Community Development Director

Date: October 5, 2023 Meeting Date: October 9, 2023

Re: Alley Vacation request and Ordinance

Michael Batir is requesting to vacate the alley behind 117 N Hemlock Street and 115 N. Hemlock Street described in the attached map and application. The property owners will not be allowed to build a building over the easement because it is in the floodplain. His plan is to build a patio area behind his house. In the application is a letter of support from the only other owner directly affected by the alley vacation.

This request is consistent with Strategy 6.11(c) of the Comprehensive Plan which discusses pursuing alternative strategies to encourage, fund and facility redevelopment projects. Putting underutilized City property back into private ownership will accomplish this strategy.

Recommendation

Adopt or Deny the ordinance describing the alley vacation for the alley behind 117 N Hemlock Street and 115 N Hemlock Street. The Planning Commission recommended to vacate the alley at their meeting on September 7th.





AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE VACATION OF THE ALLEY BEHIND 115 N. HEMLOCK STREET PARCEL #52-21-426-200 AND 117 N. HEMLOCK STREET PARCEL #52-21-426-140, CIY OF IRONWOOD, GOGEBIC COUNTY, MICHIGAN ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, EXCEPTING AND RESERVING IN SAID PORTION OF SAID ALLEY AN EASEMENT THEREIN FOR PUBLIC UTILITY PURPOSES WITHIN THE RIGH-OF-WAY OF SAID ALLEY SO VACATED.

WHEREAS, Michael Batir, petitioned for the vacation of the alley behind 115 N. Hemlock Street and 117 N. Hemlock Street, City of Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission of the City of Ironwood has duly considered and investigated said Petition, and has reported and recommended to the City Commission that said described street and alley be vacated; and

WHEREAS, This City Commission after due consideration of said petition, has determined that the health, welfare, comfort and safety of the people of the City of Ironwood and their best interests will be served by vacating said public street and alley;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF IRONWOOD ORDAINS:

Section 1. The for the vacation of the alley behind 115 N. Hemlock Street and 117 N. Hemlock Street, City of Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, hereby is vacated, and said street and alley so vacated shall vest in the rightful proprietors owning lands adjacent thereto and bordering thereon as shown in the Plat of said Addition in accordance with MCLA 560.227a.

Section 2. The City Clerk of the City of Ironwood, Michigan is hereby directed within thirty (30) days after the adoption of said ordinance to record a certified copy of this Ordinance giving the name of the plat affected by this ordinance, with the Gogebic County (Michigan) Register of Deeds, and further shall send a copy of said Ordinance to the State Treasurer of the State of Michigan.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be published pursuant to Section 6.1 of Chapter 6 of the City Charter, and shall be effective upon recordation with said Register of Deeds pursuant to MCLA 560.256, as amended.

Adopted and approved by the City Commission of the City of Ironwood, Michigan this 9th day of October 2023.

JENNIFER L. JACOBSON, CITY CLERK	KIM CORCORAN, MAYOR
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Published in accordance with provisions of Section	
Charter for the City of Ironwood, Michigan on	, 2023.



Change Order #4

Contract: Miners Memorial Heritage Park Mountain Bike Trails dated 4/12/21.

The following changes are hereby modified in the contract:

- 1. Addition of 1,115 Lineal Feet of Pump Track @ \$1/LF (\$115)
- 2. Add in 7 more signs and posts @ \$56.98 (\$398.86).

Total Change Order is an addition of \$513.86 as per the attached spreadsheet.

Signed:	
City of Ironwood	Date
Contractor	 Date

Change Order 4

MINERS MEMORIAL HERITAGE PARK MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL PROJECT-MOUNTAIN BIKE

CONSTRUCTION AND WAYFINDING SIGNS (PHASE II) - PROJECT NUMBER: TF18-0014

С	hange Order 3 information							
		Pay	Current Contract	Unit	Current Contract	Quantity	Change Order	Revised Contract
Item No.	Item Description	Unit	Quantity	Price	Amount	Revision	Amount	Amount
1000	Mobilization	LS	1	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
	Construct Pump Track/Hand Cycle							
1050	Track	LF	1000	\$1.00	\$1,000.00	115	\$115.00	\$1,115.00
	Construct Cross Country/Flow Single-							
1060	track trails in Miners'	LF	54800	\$4.73	\$259,204.00			\$259,204.00
	Construct 3 ft. width Board Walk							
1070	trails(s)	LF	0	\$6.05	\$0.00			\$0.00
	Install Trail Directional Signs and							
7000	posts	EA	100	\$56.98	\$5,698.00	7	\$398.86	\$6,096.86
8001	Provide-Install 12" corrugated plastic, smooth wall, storm sewer pipe	LF	80	\$5.78	\$462.40			\$462.40
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	catch and channel water into							
	excavated drainage	LS	1	\$4,186.26	\$4,186.26			\$4,186.26
	2023 Drainage Correction Project	LS	1	\$5,511.38	\$5,511.38			\$5,511.38
	TOTAL				\$277,062.04		\$513.86	\$277,575.90

Pay Application #18

Date

Flow Track

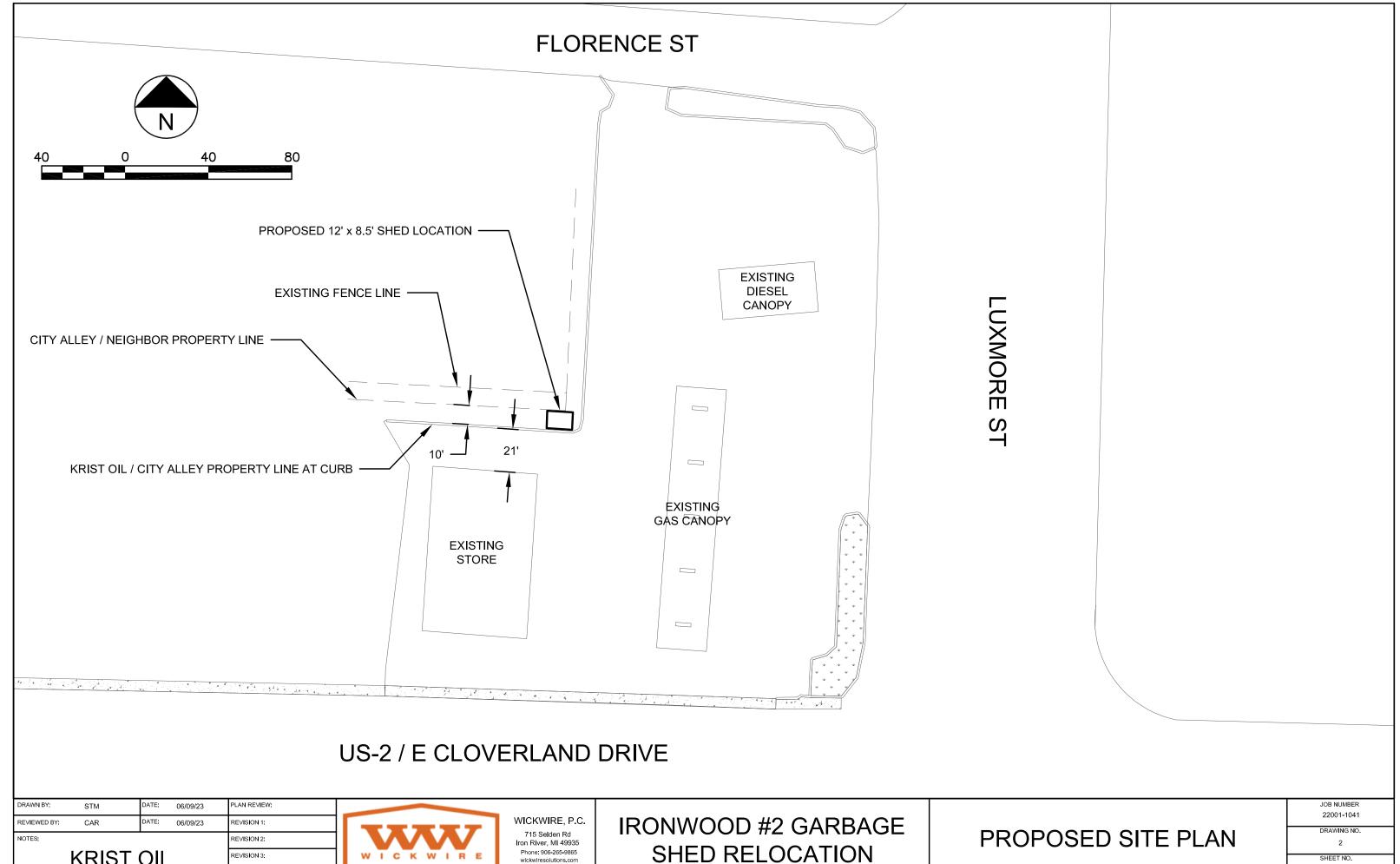
MINERS MEMORIAL HERITAGE PARK MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL PROJECT-MOUNTAIN BIKE CONSTRUCTION AND WAYFINDING SIGNS (PHASE II) - PROJECT NUMBER: TF18-0014

	Engineering Estimate of Costs					
		Pay	Current Contract	Quantity	Unit	Amount
Item No.	Item Description	Unit	Quantity	This Estimates	Price	Paid this Est.
1000	Mobilization		1	1	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
1050	Construct Pump Track/Hand Cycle Track	LF	1115	1115	\$1.00	\$1,115.00
1060	Construct Cross Country/Flow Single-track trails in Miners'	LF	54800	54,800	\$4.73	\$259,204.00
7000	Install Trail Directional Signs and posts	EA	107	107	\$56.98	\$6,096.86
8001	Provide-Install 12" corrugated plastic, smooth wall, storm sewer pipe	LF	80	80	\$5.78	\$462.40
	Install 24" dual wall corrugated culvert and construct levy system to catch					
	and channel water into excavated drainage	LS	1	1	\$4,186.26	\$4,186.26
	2023 Drainage Correction Project	LS	1	1	\$5,511.38	\$5,511.38
	TOTAL					\$277,575.90
				Less 5	% Retainage	
				Total 1	This Estimate	\$277,575.90
				Less Amount Pre	eviously Paid	\$262,137.41
	CITY OF IRONWOOD Date	•			Total Due	\$15,438.49

License Agreement

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THIS LICENSE AGREEMENT has been entered between the City of Ironwood (the "Licensor") with add Ironwood, MI 49938 and Krist Oil Company (the "Licensor Iron River, MI 49935.	Iress of 213 S. Marquette Street,
The parties agree as follows:	
1. Grant of License. Licensor grants Licensee a license to use a portion of the City-owned alleyway imm Company's property located at 1340 E. Cloverland Drive	ediately to the north of Krist Oil
2. Use of Alleyway. Licensee shall use the alleyway Attached as Exhibit A is a site plan showing the current B is a site plan showing the new location of the shed. L new location within 24 hours after receipt of notice from the shed to be moved for any reason. Licensee may matter receipt of notice from Licensor that it may do so.	location of the shed. Attached as Exhibit icensee shall move the shed from its Licensor in the event Licensor requires
3. Compliance with Laws. Licensee shall, in concomply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulati	•
4. No Liability; Indemnification. Licensor shall no agents, employees, invitees or guests for any personal i property caused by, or arising out of or in connection wir Licensee shall defend and hold the Licensor harmless filess, expense or damage arising out of or in connection any act or neglect of the Licensee or its agents, employed	njury, property damage, or loss of life or th, Licensee's use of the alleyway. rom and indemnify it against any claim, with Licensee's use of the alleyway and
5. Rules and Regulations. Licensee shall completime to time adopted by Licensor in connection with the regulations shall be considered a part of this Agreement	use of the alleyway. Such rules and
6. Assignment. Licensee shall not assign this A alleyway other than as specified in this Agreement. This Licensor.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Authorized Signature Licensee BY:	Licensor/City of Ironwood BY: Kim Corcoran, Mayor
Print Name	

BY: Jennifer L. Jacobson, City Clerk



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KRIST OIL

REVISION 3:

REVISION 4:

PROPOSED SITE PLAN SHEET NO.

