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## NOTICE OF MEETING AND MINUTES COMMERCE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Tuesday June 11, 2024

Immediately following the Commerce Sports Authority meeting

COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT COMMERCE CITY HALL  
618 Commerce Ave., Commerce, Oklahoma

The following items are on the agenda:

1. Roll call.

*Present are Mayor Keith Rush, Authority Members Gary Howard, Sandra Ross, Michanne Summers, and Joe Waldon. Also present are City Attorney Andrew Doney, City Administrator Michael Hart, City Clerk Tammy Holland, Deputy City Clerk Laura Duncan, and several members of the community (see attached sign-in sheet).*

2. Approve/Disapprove the May 14, 2024 meeting minutes

*Motion: Gary Howard Second: Sandra Ross Vote: 4-0 Approve*

3. Approve/Disapprove purchase orders.

*Motion: Gary Howard Second: Sandra Ross Vote: 4-0 Approve*

4. Discussion, consideration, presentation, and update from Municipal Finance Service regarding the NW project financing.

*Municipal Financing Representative: Drinking water loan application update. Submitted in October of 2022, with the intent to apply for principle forgiveness through the EPA, provided annually to all 50 states, certain amount of capitalization grant that each state receives, so much allocated for principle forgiveness. Next round of funds for 2025 goes into effect July 21, 2024. ODEQ, working with OWRB are estimating that first applications to be considered would be at October board meeting. Our application was submitted almost two years ago, all that is needed is updated utility data.*

*Spoke with Jeff Ceperly, City Engineer, three different items must be met prior to consideration for OWRB for approval. 1. Environmental assessment 2. Engineering report be approved by ODEQ 3. Bids in hand for repairs. After all three conditions are met, principle forgiveness qualification has been met. State received approximately \$10M to ODEQ, engineers plan on being ready to go out to bid as early as September. He feels we are far ahead of the curve on receiving this grant.*

5. Discussion, consideration, presentation, and update on the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project submission.

*City Administrator Michael Hart: DWSRF Project #P40-2005810-01, submitted last year, not approved. Was transferred to this round. Letter received June 7, 2024, \$950,500 submitted last year for water lines has increased to \$1,343,517.00 currently. Letter outlines everything happening with this group of project funding. 26 projects anticipated for approval this year, Commerce is on that list. Public hearing to take place on Monday, June 24, 2024 at 1:30 pm at the DEQ Multipurpose Room in Oklahoma City, open to attendees. Packet covers loan forgiveness variables, we quality for \$800,000 in loan forgiveness, which leaves approximately \$200,000+/- for Commerce to fund.*

6. Public input and unscheduled appearances.

*Albert Reed: Angry about the roads on River, tearing up his truck, etc. Angry about tax increase, and timeline of project. Accusations were made with regard to what the city has done with funds. Elijah Redden along with Mayor Rush and Gary Howard attempted to explain the complexities of the grant application process.*

7. Any matter not known about, or which could not have been foreseen prior to the posting of this agenda.

*None*

8. Vote to adjourn.

*Motion: Sandra Ross      Second: Joe Waldon      Vote: 4-01 Approve*