



**CITY OF DETROIT, OREGON  
Special Session & Work Session**

**Monday, February 1, 2021 – 3:00 PM  
Zoom Meeting**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Trett called meeting to order 3:05 PM Via Zoom.
2. **ROLL CALL** – Councilors Present – Councilor Sheppard, Councilor Page, Councilor Luke, Councilor Engle, Councilor Tesdal, Mayor Trett.  
Staff Present – Kelly Galbraith City Recorder.
3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** – None
4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None
5. **REVIEW AND APPROVE HBH CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF DETROIT -**  
USDA grant is the fastest source of funds. If HBH contract is not approved USDA grant money will be lost. This would cause the City to lose the USDA grant for 1 million dollars. USDA grant will only pay for temporary fix and not a whole new water system. Insurance will not pay for new water system. Insurance will only pay for building. HBH must have engineering contract signed to start construction. City of Detroit does not have funds to cover payment. Grant is required to help pay for construction costs. HBH has not been paid for work done yet. FEMA is working on setting up a project number, but this will take time. FEMA is months away. FEMA will only cover emergency water treatment system. It also will not pay for a new water system. Matt Del Moro brings up that Detroit does not have funds at this time to put in new water system. Councilor Sheppard brings up Idanha as a good water source. Councilor Tesdal would like to know why can't Detroit pull from Idanha and Breitenbush? Matt Del Moro brings up that Idanha and Breitenbush both have unreliable water sources. Robert Henry confirms that the water source from Idanha to Detroit would have an issue with quantity. If the City had funds, they would be doing things differently. A temporary fix is required until full size equipment can be acquired. Large plans were too expensive. Councilor Page and Tesdal suggested a work session to discuss budget and funds around USDA grant. Councilor Engle would like to stay on topic of approving grant. Time to do work sessions on this topic has passed.

Work session request is withdrawn by Councilor Page. Public works and legal have looked at HBH contract and have had no problem with it. Councilor Page calls motion to approve contract with the City of Detroit and HBH. Councilor Engle seconds. Motion passed unanimously to approve contract with HBH.

- 6. REVIEW AND APPROVE OLSON LLC CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF DETROIT** - Olson LLC installed water plant for City of Idanha over the summer. Positive experience working with Olson LLC. Similar costs and procedures will be done in Detroit. Were able to compare between cities. They are also familiar with equipment. Also saves on plan designs by using Olson LLC. Olson LLC has also done work for City of Detroit in the past. Councilor Engle moves motion to approve contract with Olson LLC. Councilor Page seconds. Motion is approved unanimously.
- 7. DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE FLUSHING OF THE PHASE II WATER DISTRIBUTION LINES** - HBH says they have been waiting on FEMA for decision to flush lines. FEMA did not give a clear answer. HBH says it needs to get flushed and should have already happened. Constituents are concerned about the lack of volume on water lines. Water filtration system only pumps 75 gal/min. City looked at larger water filtration systems, but larger plans were too expensive. FEMA and USDA funds are for temporary fixes and not a whole new water system. There are not many manufacturers that make parts for water systems. Water system must be approved by Oregon Health Authority. Funding agencies would not pay for larger system. Water system needs to be flushed. City needs water. Councilor Luke makes motion to flush lines. Councilor Tesdal seconds. Motion approved unanimously.
- 8. ADJOURN SPECIAL SESSION** - Mayor Trett would like to revisit website bids from last meeting. Motion to bring up this topic at February 9, 2021 meeting. Motion approved. Special Session Adjourned at 4:45 PM.
- 9. OPEN WORK SESSION** - Councilor Engle and Tesdal would like to get together to go over vision for Detroit and discuss funds. Make a plan for the future. Winter would be a great time to do this. Councilor Tesdal would also like to go over fire suppression. Renata Wakeley from Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments brought up that MWVCOG is available to help with grant assistance. MWVCOG can also aid in planning and administration work. Funding is coming from Marion County to fund this assistance. Funding is available through June 2021. Funding comes from lottery dollars.
- 10. WORK SESSION TO DISCUSS FUNDING WITH ROB HENRY, HBH ENGINEERING** - HBH would like to touch on funding and pull it all together. Explain where funding is coming from and make decisions. Funding pieces are FEMA, USDA and insurance. Insurance can only pay for what was in the building before the fire. USDA requires insurance money is spent first. Building costs must come from insurance. Councilor Engle brings up permanent water system plan needs to be addressed for future meetings. Councilor Engle would highly recommend a work session in the future to decide on permanent water system. Councilor would like to know what makes temporary water plant temporary instead of permanent. After a wildfire new technology needs to be looked at. City needs to send out proposals for new technology. Equipment needs to be

designed. There is nothing designed already for the city. Source water study should be done first. FEMA would be funding water study. HBH believes they know a good water system plan for the City. Once a project number is created FEMA can start to help.

**11. ADJOURN WORK SESSION** - Work session adjourned at 5:37 PM.

Signed:

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James R. Trett, Mayor

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Kelly Galbraith, City Recorder