

# City of High Point

*Municipal Office Building  
211 S. Hamilton Street  
High Point, NC 27260*



## Minutes

**Thursday, April 30, 2020**

**4:00 PM**

**3rd Floor Conference Room**

## **Finance Committee**

***Britt Moore, Chair***

***Committee Members:***

***Michael Holmes***

***Monica Peters***

***Victor Jones***

***Jay Wagner, Mayor (Alternate)***  
***Christopher Williams, Mayor Pro Tem***  
***(Alternate)***

**FINANCE COMMITTEE - Council Member Britt W. Moore, Chair**  
**Committee Members: Moore, Holmes, Jones, and Peters**

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**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**(Virtual Meeting)**

***Chaired by Council Member Moore***

***Members: Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones***

**April 30, 2020 - 4:00 p.m.**

**3rd Floor Lobby Conference Room**

**Present (3):** Chairman Britt Moore, Committee Member Michael Holmes; and Committee Member Monica Peters

**Participating**

**Remotely (1):** Committee Member Victor Jones

**Staff Present:**

Randy McCaslin, Deputy City Manager; Greg Ferguson, Assistant City Manager; Eric Olmedo, Assistant City Manager; Terry Houk, Director of Public Services; Robby Stone, Assistant Director of Public Services; Derrick Boone, Assistant Director of Public Services; Lee Tillery, Director of Parks & Recreation; Michael McNair, Director of Community Development & Housing; and Lisa Vierling, City Clerk

**Staff Participating**

**Remotely:** JoAnne, Carlyle, City Attorney; Bobby Fitzjohn, Director of Financial Services; Laura Altizer, Senior Budget Analyst; Sandy Dunbeck, Executive Vice President- High Point Economic Development Corporation; Greg Venable, Transportation Planning Administrator; Roslyn McNeill, Budget Analyst

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**Present** 4 - Chair Britt Moore, Michael Holmes, Monica Peters, and Victor Jones

## **CALL TO ORDER**

*Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.*

## **PRESENTATION OF ITEMS**

### **[2020-137](#)**

#### **Contract - Sharpe Brothers, Inc. - Kersey Valley Landfill Paving Improvements**

City Council is requested to award a contract to Sharpe Brothers, Inc. in the amount of \$267,571.81 for asphalt repair and resurfacing improvements at the Kersey Valley Landfill.

**Attachments:** [1. FINAL Kersey Valley Landfill Paving Improvements](#)

Terry Houk, Director of Public Services, advised that work would include repairing damaged areas, milling work, pavement markings, and placement of new asphalt, etc.... He reported the damaged areas are located around the entrance of the Scale House and the loop around the Landfill and the damage was a result of heavy traffic and heavy vehicles. Six contractors submitted bids and one was rejected and deemed incomplete due to mathematical errors. Staff recommends approval.

Chairman Moore questioned when work of this type was last done at the Landfill. Robby Stone, Assistant Director of Public Services, replied that this was the original asphalt that was put at the Landfill when it was constructed.

Committee Member Holmes asked if this is a not-to-exceed bid. Mr. Houk explained that there is a possibility it could exceed because it is based on quantities, etc.....

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Peters made a second. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

### **[2020-138](#)**

#### **Contract - Davis Martin Powell (DMP) - Waterview Pump Station**

City Council is requested to award a contract for professional engineering services to Davis Martin Powell (DMP) in the amount of \$281,900 for the engineering and design work for the extension of forcemain to Penny Road Outfall to allow increased discharge capacity of the Waterview Pump Station.

**Attachments:** [2. FINAL\\_DMP- Waterview Pump Station- Proposed FM Extension42120](#)

Terry Houk, Director of Public Services, advised this contract with DMP is for the engineering and design work for the extension of the forcemain to the Penny Road Outfall to allow increased discharge capacity of the Waterview Pump Station. He explained the current pump station was constructed in 2007 to replace an older, smaller station that was in conflict with the proposed NCDOT widening of Skeet Club Road. The recent completion of the forcemain replacement (upsized from 10-inch to 16-inch along Skeet Club Road and the 2017 installation of a third pump in the pump station has provided the ability to increase the firm pumping capacity of the station to approximately 2,500 gallons per minute; however, the current receiving gravity sewer limits the ability to achieve the station's full pumping capacity resulting in a current firm pumping capacity of only 1,550 gallons per minute. The proposed project will relocate the Waterview discharge to the Penny Road Outfall near the intersection of Penny Road and Sunnyvale Drive.

Committee Member Holmes inquired about the inability for the original pump not to pull capacity. Deputy City Manager Randy McCaslin explained that Waterview is one of the city's most important pump stations and while there is plenty of pump capacity, the pipe is too small to allow adequate pumping capacity to push it all through. He further advised that the State is not allowing any future connections until the downstream pipe size is corrected. Mr. Houk explained that staff did look at replacing it downstream, but because of the depth, it was found to be less expensive to run another forcemain.

Committee Member Jones inquired about the number of companies that were part of the bid process. Staff explained that DMP is on the city's on-call list that has been approved by Council and this is just for the engineering and design work. Construction will start at a later date.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Moore made a second to the motion. Council Member Peters made a second. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

### [2020-139](#)

#### **Contract - Sole Source - Xylem (Godwin)**

City Council is requested to award a sole source contract to Xylem in the amount of \$55,316.10 to purchase a Godwin 8-inch Dri-Prime CD225M Diesel Pump as a back-up bypass pump for the Water and Sewer Mains Division of the Public Services Department.

**Attachments:** [3. FINAL\\_Xylem-Godwin Diesel Pump](#)

Terry Houk, Director of Public Services, advised that staff is asking for a sole source approval for the purchase of a Godwin pump for the Water and Sewer Mains Division. He reported there is a need for a back-up bypass pump due to

increased rain events, aging infrastructure, and increased monitoring by the state. Staff recommends approval.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Holmes made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

## [2020-140](#)

### **Contract - Sharpe Brothers - Street Resurfacing**

City Council is requested to award a contract to Sharpe Brothers in the amount of \$2,394,847.26 for the resurfacing of specific streets identified and that the appropriate City official be authorized to execute all necessary documents.

**Attachments:** [4. FINAL City Streets Resurfacing42220](#)

Terry Houk, Director of Public Services, explained that the city budgets for the resurfacing of streets maintained by the city of High Point on an annual basis which is based on pavement condition surveys that are performed every three years. Chairman Moore questioned how long it takes to do the survey work, asked if it is done by city staff or an outside consulting company. Robby Stone, Assistant Director of Public Services, advised that a consultant is hired and generally it takes them about three months to evaluate the streets and that the information is input into a computer system that generates a numeric rating number for the street ranking. Chairman Moore asked what expertise the consultants might have that the city staff lacks. Mr. Stone replied that as far as the expertise, the consultants probably don't have more expertise, but noted they do have extra resources.

It was noted the recommended City Streets Resurfacing List is attached to the Finance Committee Agenda as Attachment B.

Randy McCaslin, Deputy City Manager, explained that staff has steadily tried to increase the funding for street resurfacing and noted that approximately \$2.5 million is budgeted each year for street resurfacing; however, it is not a sufficient amount of funding to take care of all the street paving needs.

Committee Member Holmes inquired as to when the street resurfacing work would begin. Mr. Stone replied that the work begin in the summer and spoke to how this would be very beneficial due to the fuel prices dropping. Committee Member Holmes asked about the possibility of locking in the asphalt pricing while the prices are low. Mr. Stone explained it would not be possible because it is an annual bid.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee**

**Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Holmes made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

[2020-141](#)

**Contract - CDM-Smith - Richland Creek Outfall**

City Council is requested to award a contract to CDM-Smith in the amount of \$681,690 for the engineering and design work for the aerial sewer pipe replacement of the Richland Creek Outfall.

**Attachments:** [5. FINAL\\_Richland Creek Outfall- CDM-Smith424220](#)

Terry Houk, Director of Public Services, reported that this is for a contract with CDM Smith for the Richland Creek Sewer Outfall aerial sewer pipe replacement and involves the engineering work for the project. Richland Creek sewer outfall is one of the two primary sewer lines that discharge into the Eastside Wastewater Treatment Plant. He advised that the aerial section are in poor conditions and have had numerous temporary repairs performed by the water/sewer plant maintenance division. The scope of the contract involves replacing 16 aerial crossings totaling approximately 5,600 feet with new spiral round steel pipe. Staff recommends approval.

Chairman Moore asked if this would also include replacement of the piers as well. Mr. Houk replied that right now it is just for pipe replacement.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Peters made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

[2020-142](#)

**Resolution - High Pint - Building Reuse Grant**

City Council is requested to adopt a resolution for the High Pint project to satisfy requirements for the State of North Carolina's Building Reuse Grant in the amount of \$120,000.

**Attachments:** [6. FINAL\\_High Pint Buidling Reuse Grant  
Resolution High Pint, LLC \(signed\).pdf](#)

Sandy Dunbeck, Executive Vice President- High Point Economic Development Corporation, explained this is in addition to the public hearing and approval that was given by City Council after the public hearing was held on March 16th. At that time, the City Council authorized a 5% matching grant (\$6,000) for incentives for the project. Ms. Dunbeck advised that the State is also requesting that City Council adopt a resolution confirming the award of the 5% matching grant (\$6,000).

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Holmes made a second to the**

motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

[2020-143](#)

**Contract - Kimley-Horn & Associates - Triangle Lake Road Improvements Phase 1**

City Council is requested to award a contract to Kimley-Horn & Associates in the amount of \$253,511.85 for professional planning, engineering and design services associated with the proposed roadway improvements on Triangle Lake Road.

**Attachments:** [7. FINAL\\_Triangle Lake Rd design services Phase I\\_050420](#)  
[TriangleLakeRdWidening](#)

Greg Venable, Transportation Planning Administrator, advised this is consideration of a contract with Kimley Horn & Associates for professional, planning, engineering, and design services associated with the proposed roadway improvements on Triangle Lake Road. He pointed out this project was based on the feasibility study that was done in 2009 with the purpose of re-evaluating those findings from that study and also develop some alternative concepts and an in-dept public engagement public process. The contract is for professional services in the amount of \$253,511.85; funds of which are in the current budget. This is Phase I of the overall project; the cost of the overall project is estimated around \$12 million. This project is for the planning/engineering services only.

Committee Member Holmes inquired about the completion date for this project and the scope of services. Mr. Venable advised he was unsure about the exact length of this specific piece of the project, but thought the first part would take a few months. He replied that the scope of services should have been included in the information that was supplied in the packet, but if not, he could certainly get that information and send it out.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Holmes made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

[2020-144](#)

**Contract - Matt's Janitorial Services, Inc.**

City Council is requested to award a contract extension for one (1) year to Matt's Janitorial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$92,280.00 to provide custodial services at seven (7) Parks & Recreation facilities.

**Attachments:** [8. FINAL - Matts Janitorial Contract](#)

Lee Tillery, Parks & Recreation Director, advised this is a one-year extension to the maintenance contract with Matt's Janitorial Services; they provide maintenance services to five of the city's recreation centers, plus Washington

Terrace and the Piedmont Environmental Center. He explained the initial contract was for three years and staff is recommending a one-year extension to that contract. They would take care of those facilities beginning July 1 and the extension would run through June 20, 2021. Staff recommends approval of the one-year contract with Matt's Janitorial Services.

In light of the current environment, Committee Member Holmes asked if any discussions have taken place regarding additional disinfecting/sanitation of the facilities. Mr. Tillery replied that they have had initial discussions, but with the uncertainty of when the recreation centers will re-open, they have not gotten into any of the details yet. He believed they would be willing to work within the parameters of the contract.

Chairman Moore asked if this is something that is usually bid out. Mr. Tillery explained that it is, but pointed out they did add two new facilities (Washington Terrace and Piedmont Environmental Center) and this pushed it over the \$90,000 threshold.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Holmes made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

## [2020-145](#)

### **Contract - HH Architecture - High Point City Lake Park Site Master Plan - Phase 1**

City Council is requested to award a contract to HH Architecture in the amount of \$250,500.00 to perform schematic design services for the High Point City Lake Park Site Master Plan Phase 1.

**Attachments:** [9. FINAL\\_HH Architecture Schematic Design CLP April 2020](#)

Lee Tillery, Parks & Recreation Director, explained this contract would cover the schematic design of the proposed City Lake Park and Master Plan and pointed out the Master Plan is being used for the bond project. He spoke to how Phase I is part of the \$9.5 million from the bond project that was allocated for the improvements at City Lake Park. He pointed out this contract is for the schematic design only and noted there are three phases in this particular project (design, schematic design, and design development) then they would move into the construction documentation. He explained there are several unknowns for City Lake Park due to the age of the facilities and spoke to how they are doing preliminary work to ensure that the plans for improvements to the park are feasible and affordable. Mr. Tillery advised that this part of the project would take about sixteen weeks to complete, then they would be able to move forward to the other two aspects of the project and get it ready to bid.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Peters made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**



[2020-146](#)**Capital Project Ordinance - City Lake Park Master Plan-Phase 1**

City Council is requested to approve a capital project ordinance in the amount of \$9,500,000 for Phase 1 of the City Lake Park Master Plan for renovations and upgrades at City Lake Park.

**Attachments:** [10. FINAL\\_Budget Amendment\\_City Lake Park Phase 1 - GOB](#)

Laura Altizer, Senior Budget Analyst, explained this is a Capital Project Ordinance that coincides with the HH Architecture contract to appropriate funds for the City Lake Park upgrades that are being financed with General Obligation bonds in the amount of 9,500,000.00. Staff recommends approval.

For clarification purposes, Assistant City Manager Eric Olmedo explained that staff typically brings the entire project before Council, and then the city would reimburse itself when the bonds are sold at a later date.

Mr. Tillery added that staff is ready to move forward with this plan somewhat quicker with the uncertainty with what they will do with the pools this summer. He explained the original plan was to keep the pool open for at least one or two more summers, but they are ramping that schedule up in hopes that the project and improvements can be completed within the next two years and this would mean that the City Lake pool would not be open for the next two summers.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Holmes made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

[2020-147](#)**Ordinance - Budget Amendment - Riverdale Pump Station - FEMA-Hurricane Florence**

City Council is requested to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$3,179,664.00 to recognize a FEMA reimbursement for damage to the Riverdale Pump Station during Hurricane Florence.

**Attachments:** [11. FINAL\\_Budget Amendment\\_FEMA Hurricane Florence Riverdale Reimbi](#)

Laura Altizer, Senior Budget Analyst, explained this is a budget amendment for the reimbursement obligation the city has received from FEMA. She spoke to how FEMA sent a letter to the city confirming their obligation that they will, with a federal and state match, be paying \$1,622,842 for the repairs at the Riverdale Pump Station. She explained that the Riverdale Pump Station received substantial damage due to Hurricane Florence. She noted this would be a 75 federal and 25 state reimbursement.

Deputy City Manager Randy McCaslin pointed out that basically FEMA would be paying about half of the total cost of the repairs to the Riverdale Pump Station.

Ms. Altizer pointed out the memo delineates the entire project was about \$3.2 million and the city also received almost \$500,000 in insurance reimbursement.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Peters made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

#### [2020-148](#)

#### **Contract - United Way of Greater High Point - Community Development Block Grant-Corona Virus (CDBG-CV)**

City Council is requested to approve a contract with United Way of Greater High Point in the amount of \$100,000.00 to assist local agencies providing services that prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic that benefit income eligible persons and that the appropriate City official and/or employee be authorized to execute all necessary documents.

**Attachments:** [12. FINAL Contract with the United Way of Greater High Point](#)

Mike McNair, Director of Community Development & Housing, that as part of the special allocation received from HUD for coronavirus funding, the Citizens Advisory Council has made an initial recommendation to allocate \$100,000 of the 552,706.00 received to the United Way. He explained that the United Way would be acting as the fiscal agent for these funds and they will monitor the recipients; the city, in turn, would monitor the United Way. Mr. McNair pointed out that all disbursements of these funds is tied to the coronavirus and noted it would be income-eligible persons and all of which would be tied to public services.

Committee Member Peters stated she felt the United Way would certainly be very good stewards of the money and would do a great job administering the money.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Holmes made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

#### [2020-149](#)

#### **Ordinance - Budget Amendment- US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) - Corona Virus (CDBG-CV) - Community Development Block Grant**

City Council is requested to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$552,706.00 for an allocation authorized by the US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) in CDBG funding due to the Corona Virus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

**Attachments:** [13. FINAL Budget Amendment- Comm Dev Ordinance REVISED 4 22 20](#)

Roslyn McNeill, Budget Analyst, advised this is a special allocation of CDBG funds received from HUD in the amount of \$552,706.00 to help with the COVID-19 mitigation efforts.

Chairman Moore asked about how this money would be distributed. Mike McNair,

Director of Community Development & Housing confirmed that the United Way would be assisting with disbursement of \$100,000 of these funds and the remainder of the funds would be dispersed out by recommendations from the Citizens Advisory Council.

Committee Member homes asked if these funds could be applied to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, businesses, etc..... Mr. McNair explained that they are expecting the initial focus to be on non-profits and spoke to how HUD was recommending that agencies not duplicate other services already being provided.

**Chairman Moore moved to forward this matter to the City Council with a favorable recommendation and place it on the May 4, 2020 City Council Finance Committee Consent Agenda for approval. Committee Member Holmes made a second to the motion. The motion carried by the following unanimous 4-0 vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Chair Moore, Holmes, Peters, and Jones

#### [2020-168](#)

#### **Presentation- Bobby Labonte Charity Foundation**

Kristen Labonte, representing the Bobby Labonte Charity Foundation, has asked to make a brief presentation before the Finance Committee.

**Attachments:** [Labonte Presentation.pdf](#)

[City expenses 2019 Labonte Foundation Charity Ride.pdf](#)

Kristen Labonte joined the meeting remotely to make a presentation on the Bobby Labonte Foundation.

The Bobby Labonte Foundation, founded in 2003 by NASCAR Champion and Hall of Fame race car driver and High Point businessman Bobby Labonte. Kristen, Bobby Labonte's wife, a retired professional bicyclist who is a three-time national champion and a world national cyclist who retired in 2012, shared some background and biographical information on who they are and what inspires them in the work they do for the Bobby Labonte Foundation Charity Bike Ride and related events. She shared that they call High Point home and chose to move here; they love being a part of High Point and want to do what they can to contribute to the future success of High Point. Ms. Labonte spoke to being passionate and having a heart for the children and families and providing opportunities to them that can change the course in their lives and become the future of High Point.

She asked for Council's support in helping them continue their work in High Point and stated that support to them is not just financial, but they would love the collaboration, partnership, and true side-by-side working together on these events that support children and families and providing them with opportunities that they would not have otherwise.

She reported that the next Bobby Labonte Foundation Charity Bike Ride is scheduled for September 12, 2020 and they have already submitted their permit application to hold the event. Ms. Labonte shared the mission and vision statements and the mission statements for the Bobby Labonte Foundation; spoke to them being a 501(c)(3) nonprofit public charity; noted it was founded by Bobby Labonte in 2003; spoke to how the Foundation has donated nearly \$1 million since it was founded to help children and families in the area.

She then shared some of the accomplishments of the 2019 Bobby Labonte Foundation Charity Bike Ride.

Record-breaking fundraising \$50,000;  
85 children received new bikes and helmets;  
400 cyclists participated;  
200 volunteers and bike builders;  
21 local and national sponsors;  
Over \$8 million+ media impressions (\$226,900 in media value)

The money they raised last year was distributed to the following grant recipients:

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Piedmont  
Free swim lessons for 8 additional elementary schools  
LEAP

She mentioned the on-going mitigation efforts related to the COVID-19 pandemic may require them to look at and address many things differently to make things work during these times. She proceeded to share a snapshot of the 2020 event/activity schedule for the upcoming event as follows:

Thursday, September 9  
10:00 a.m. Kids Bike Build  
6:00 p.m. Bicycle Art Meets Form (Juried Art Show- opening night at Theatre Art Galleries)

Friday, September 10  
9:00 a.m. VIP Brunch Ride with Bobby Labonte

Friday, September 11  
6:30 p.m. Silent Auction and Cocktail Party at MARKOR Art Center

Saturday, September 12  
8:30 a.m. Bobby Labonte Foundation Charity Bike Ride  
9:30 a.m. The Mayor's Ride  
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Fam Fest and Kids Bike Race in downtown High Point (free)

Ms. Labonte advised the Bobby Labonte Foundation Board has been discussing what they can do with the money raised in the September event. Some of the suggestions were to:

1. Identify a handful of families who are struggling, invite them to an event and provide one year of free groceries to them.
2. Supply a grant to the local hospital to replenish medical supplies, etc.....
3. Do something for associates working in grocery stores such as a private party with Bobby Labonte.

Chairman Moore thanked Ms. Labonte for her presentation and expressed appreciation with all that they have done for the community. He spoke to the fluidity and uncertainty due to the COVID-19 pandemic and how Council would be faced with many difficult challenges in moving forward with adoption of the budget.

Chairman Moore then entertained questions.

Committee Member Holmes stated he was impressed by the presentation and the work of the Bobby Labonte Foundation and asked about the possibility of amending the program/events. Ms. Labonte replied that the purpose for holding the event is to raise money and give back to the community and mentioned the hard/fixed costs involved. She spoke to how they would have to ensure that the business model works, but they would certainly be open to any suggestions/ideas to make the event work in this environment that we are in.

Assistant City Manager Eric Olmedo then distributed a handout that staff put together on the cost estimate from the city's perspective for last year's event. He noted the ask is to add the Bobby Labonte Foundation Charity Bike Ride event back to the Special Events list for city-sponsored events as an in-kind service type of event.

Committee Member Peters pointed out the numbers for this event were incorrectly listed on a previous handout from a previous meeting. She pointed out the number listed was 400; however, there were over 400 cyclists who participated in the event, plus the other family/friends that came out in support of the event. She felt consideration should be given to the value that the Labontes' add to the community and felt the event should have never been removed from the list of city-sponsored events to begin with.

Committee Member Jones inquired about the amount of money remaining in the nonprofit allocations. Mr. Olmedo reiterated that the ask is not a direct budget appropriation, just allowance to use existing staffing/resources. He explained at

this point there is no nonprofit allocation because it would be in next year's budget which will be effective July 1, 2020.

Chairman Moore stated there was no question at all about the value the event adds, but with the challenging budget considerations, he felt it needs to be further discussed by the City Council to see how it fits within the budget as a whole. He suggested that it be retained in Committee so it could be discussed further over the next few weeks to get some clear direction and bring it back for consideration by the second Council meeting on May 18th.

**For Information Only**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being nothing further to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m. upon motion duly made and seconded.,

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa B. Vierling, City Clerk

Britt W. Moore, Chairman