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this year's event were progressing well. The City's request for closure was granted unanimously by the council.

Action items for the council to consider was next on the evening's agenda and Resolution No. 18, Series 2019, a request from staff to adopt a budget amendment

resolution, supported by Administrative Services Director Anne Baker was passed unanimously. The resolution authorized the addition of higher-than-anticipated revenue be included in the City's Biennial budget.

Prior to Baker's presentation, Public Works Director Mike Miller asked the council to adopt Ordinance No. 6, Series 2019, which would extend the timeline for waivers and/or deferrals of the collection of certain system development charges in order to encourage development of affordable housing. Both staff recommendations were accepted and approved by the council. The last action item of the evening was a request from the city articulated by Weese that the council approve a renewal of the

agreement between the city and the Florence Chamber of Commerce for marketing, promotion, events management and tourism coordination.

The city currently has a contract with the Chamber that pays them for organizational contributions to events and their broader promotional efforts.

Councilor Ron Preisler pressed Weese on the specifics of the agreement between the Chamber and the City, suggesting changes needed to be made to the agreement to provide councilors and city staff with a clearer picture of the work being done by the Chamber.

"During our goal setting sessions, I brought this up ... because there were certain goals that were conflict-

ing between the chamber and the city and there are no measurements for what the chamber is contributing for that \$ 175,000," Preisler said. "I'm not saying they don't do their job, or they are not worth it — but there is no measurement for it and there are things that I feel they could be doing to assist the city more than they are doing."

Reynolds responded to Preisler's concern but reminded him that the contract currently in effect was scheduled to expire soon.

"Unfortunately, due to timing and this [agreement] expiring within a month, for that discussion we would not have enough time ... I think that's a good point that some better measurement data be included in the contract in

the future" Reynolds said. Preisler accepted Reynolds comments but was the only vote against approval of the extension with the Chamber. Reports from committees finished the evening with Florence Police Chief Tom Turner reviewing the Western Lane Mental Health Report and the program the county will fund to address the issues raised in the report. Reynolds updated the council on FEMA's acceptance into the Lane County Hazard Mitigation Plan and the progress being made on the housing code update project.

The next City Council Meeting will be held Monday, July 15, at Florence City Hall.

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- What is currently working well?
- What should change?

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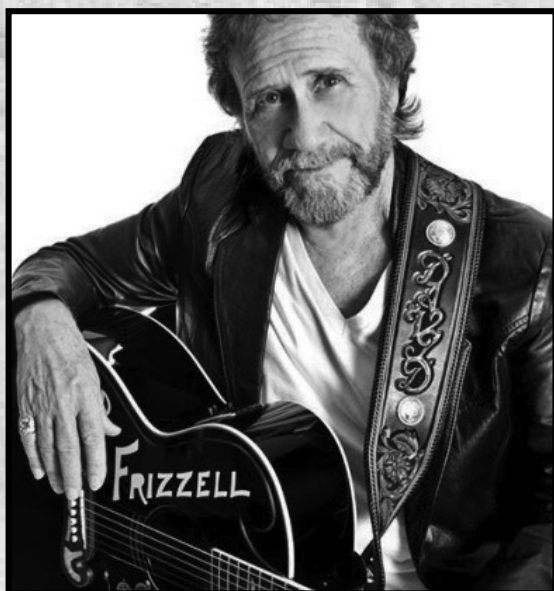
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during the June 19 Port of Siuslaw Commissioners meeting.

Huntington reported to Commissioners he was confident that other work being done will be finished in time for the festivities on the Fourth. He also said that while some obstacles to completion remain, primarily related to waste water removal, these can be easily addressed.

"It is coming together quicker than expected, we would be done tomorrow if everything went as planned. I had Stu from Chuck's Plumbing come out today and he put a laser on [the water and sewer lines] and we are not going to make that grade... We are going to need to get a lift station to meet city code and we didn't figure in our Wi-Fi for back there, so I'd like to transfer \$20,000. But I'm not saying it's going to cost that much," Huntington added. "I'm sure we won't spend that amount, but it's probably going to be an additional \$5,000 for the lift pump and we are going to be at another \$3,000 to \$4,000 for the Wi-Fi, with the antennas and the poles and the connections."

Huntington then submitted the resolution requesting the Commissioners to authorize the transfer of funds to cover

the cost overruns related to the installation of the Wi-Fi equipment and the upgrade to the wastewater removal system.

Board President Terry Duman commented on Huntington's request after the authorization to transfer funds had been unanimously approved.

"We talked about this from the start. There were going to be pitfalls and unexpected and unforeseen issues, but I think our schedule of doing it at the time we are doing it is going to pay off," Duman said.

The Port of Siuslaw is currently engaged in a major upgrade to one of the most desirable locations in the campground known as the "C-Row." The plan is to improve the amenities available to campers at 16 new full-service spots located on the "C-Row," which is situated on the northern bank of the Siuslaw River.

The spots provide unique opportunities for photographers, birders, fisherman and recreational boaters, allowing them unfettered access to the Siuslaw River. The cost for these upgrades is substantial, approaching \$100,000, but the projected revenue generated by the anticipated increase in rental revenue would pay for the improvements in 2-3 years.

The decision to provide the Chamber with a staging area for the fireworks show happened to coincide with the planned improvements to the new RV sites that will now be equipped with electric, water and sewer connections.

The trenches, conduits and electrical connections which are needed to pro-

vide these additional services must be installed in a particular manner and be in compliance with city codes.

The stringent conditions for city approval, while intended to set a standard for service providers and a protection for consumers, can also be expensive and time consuming.

The decision to begin the upgrade to the "C-Row" had been approved before Huntington stepped in to help save the city's Fourth of July celebration, but at this time the progress on the upgrade has been good and all the work being done should be completed in a week or so.

"The staging area for the fireworks, which is at the east end of the gravel storage area, is ready for the fireworks show and the progress on the sites on C-Row is good," Huntington said.

"We are completely done with the electric today and we will have our inspection next Wednesday [June 26] on the sewer lines. Then we will finish the gravel and landscaping, probably late next week and we will have the sites on the C-Row open on July 5."

The Port Commissioners also unanimously approved an operating budget of \$2,981,523 for fiscal years 2019-2020 during the meeting. The commissioners then discussed future plans to clarify the language related to the fees and requirements for storage of commercial equipment on Port property.

The next Port of Siuslaw Commissioners meeting will be held at Port offices on July 17, at 7 p.m.

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due to legal and personnel considerations, the district will not provide any further details.

"We base decisions such as this on contract and licensing standards, and

do not take such matters lightly," Grzeskowiak said. "Our paramount concerns are always the safety and well-being of our students, and ensuring that we provide a first-class education."

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