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Subject: Resolution 20:035- for Public Works Meeting Today

Hello John Street,

I would appreciate it if the following concerns and questions can be answered concerning Resolution 20:235

*A Resolution for the City to enter into a Change Order NO. 4 with Ramsons, Inc. for the Jonesboro Shooting Sports Complex Phase 1C.

Several months ago, we added more money to the Shooting Range. That's when all the uproar was about the \$500,000.00 bathrooms!

On the attachment to this resolution today, there was a previous change order for \$71,129.00 and now today, there is another change order in the amount of \$498,312.00.

When the City gave Ramson's Inc. the contract to start this job earlier this year, I remember that they came in just under 2 million dollars (\$1.9) And now, within this year, the total amount has gone too \$2,547,248.00.

So my questions are:

1. Where is this extra money coming from to keep adding to these Change Orders? Was it budgeted in the Parks fund for 2020? Are we taking from the reserves?
2. At what point do we need to stop adding money and open up this facility and make a little bit of money?
3. Don't get me wrong, I think that this Shooting Range will be a real plus for our City. I think citizens are not seeing this vision yet.
But they do see a lot of their dollars being poured into this project.

Just a Note: I remember having a discussion with Craig Light about the contractor that was in charge of the sidewalk along Craighead Forest Road and Lincoln Drive.

That contractor, from what Craig said, never accepts a job with the city unless there are change orders available. Craig at that time stated that the City doesn't need to sign anymore contract orders that have change orders to them because the cost of the project can increase quickly.

I think that's what the shooting range is starting to look like.

I hope we can get an good explanation for this resolution and the necessity for the projects to be complete right now.

Thank you.

Patti

Thank you for taking this question. I'll be watching instead of calling in.