



Commerce City

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Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Monday, July 15, 2013

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce City was called to order by Mayor Ford on July 15, 2013, at 5:30 PM.

Present: 8 - Mayor Sean Ford , Council Member Jadie Carson, Council Member Rick A. Teter, Mayor Pro-Tem René Bullock, Council Member Crystal Elliott, Council Member Jason McEldowney, Council Member Steven J. Douglas and Council Member Andrew Amador

Excused: 1 - Council Member Jim Benson

2. Executive Session

13-0027

Executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) for the purpose of developing strategy for negotiations concerning water issues

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bullock, that this Executive Session be held. VOICE VOTE: Unanimous, all present affirmed.

Aye: 8 - Mayor Ford, Council Member Carson, Council Member Teter, Mayor Pro-Tem Bullock, Council Member Elliott, Council Member McEldowney, Council Member Douglas and Council Member Amador

Excused: 1 - Council Member Benson

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: 9 - Mayor Sean Ford , Council Member Jim Benson, Council Member Jadie Carson, Council Member Rick A. Teter, Mayor Pro-Tem René Bullock, Council Member Crystal Elliott, Council Member Jason McEldowney, Council Member Steven J. Douglas and Council Member Andrew Amador

4. Audience Introduction

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

5. Proclamations and Recognitions

13-0028

Chief's Citizen Commendation

Police Chief Troy Smith introduced Officer Brian Trujillo who explained an incident

that recently happened involving a vehicle on fire. Two senior citizens were inside the burning vehicle and with the help of three local citizens, neither of them were injured. The citizens helped pull the people out of the burning car and block off the street to vehicle traffic.

The three citizens were presented with a certificate of commendation.

6. Citizen Communication

Guillermo Serna, 14122 E. 102nd Place, addressed Council regarding I-70. Mr. Serna asked Council to continue to participate in the process.

7. Approval of Minutes

In accord with the city charter, the city attorney read the title to all ordinances and resolutions that were adopted by the City Council at this meeting.

Min 13-45 Meeting minutes of May 20, 2013

Council members McEldowney and Bullock moved and seconded to allow Mayor Ford and Councilman Benson to abstain from voting on the minutes of May 20, 2013, because of their excused absence.

VOICE VOTE: 7 aye, 2 abstain (Ford, Benson)

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bullock, that the Minutes be approved.

Aye: 7 - Council Member Carson, Council Member Teter, Mayor Pro-Tem Bullock, Council Member Elliott, Council Member McEldowney, Council Member Douglas and Council Member Amador

Abstained: 2 - Mayor Ford and Council Member Benson

8. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bullock, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Ford, Council Member Benson, Council Member Carson, Council Member Teter, Mayor Pro-Tem Bullock, Council Member Elliott, Council Member McEldowney, Council Member Douglas and Council Member Amador

Ord 1961 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE ADAMS COUNTY OPEN SPACE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 TO BE USED FOR IMPROVEMENTS FOR PIONEER PARK AND THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

Ord 1962 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE COLORADO AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY BOARD (CATPA) GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,200 FOR

ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FEES FOR PIPS SYSTEM AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

Ord 1964 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,288 FOR (DUI) ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS AND THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

Ord 1966 ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND CREATING THE COMMERCE CITY E-470 RESIDENTIAL AREA GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION RELATED THERETO; AND WAIVING ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR NOTICE, PUBLICATION, PUBLIC HEARING AND ELECTION AS PERMITTED BY STATUTE

9. Resolutions

Res 2013-42 RESOLUTION RATIFYING AGREEMENT AMONG CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, BUFFALO HIGHLANDS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, BUFFALO HIGHLANDS, LLC, AND C. LARSON FAMILY FARMS, INC.; RATIFYING AND APPROVING LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF COMMERCE CITY AND BUFFALO HIGHLANDS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT WITH RESPECT TO SAME; AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Bullock, that this Resolution be adopted. VOICE VOTE: Unanimous, all present affirmed.

10. Presentations

Pres 13-249 QCI Survey Results

Communications Director Michelle Halstead presented background and results of the community survey requested by City Council. The process began in late 2011, early 2012 when City Council commissioned a group of stakeholders known as the Quality Community Initiative (QCI) to find out how best to achieve the long-term goals of the Commerce City community. After a year of work, QCI provided recommendations to City Council in early 2013 and City Council asked staff to have a survey conducted to gauge community support for a sales tax increase and to prioritize community needs. The results of the survey indicate that the building of a new recreation center and the widening of Tower Road were the highest priorities for use of revenue generated by a tax increase.

Councilman Benson asked questions and made suggestions concerning the ballot language.

11. Administrative Council Business

City Manager McBroom stated that Suncor has a pending application in Adams

County and would like a letter of support for their application in the county.

Council members Bullock and McEldowney moved and seconded to allow Mayor Ford to sign a letter of support for Suncor's application to Adams County.

VOICE VOTE: 8 aye, 1 abstain (Benson)

City Attorney Gehler was asked by a member of Council to involve an attorney with the I-70 issue.

Council was not supportive of retaining an attorney at this time.

Councilman Douglas invited Council to attend the Commerce City Business and Professional Association meeting on July 26, 2013; he asked that staff contact mapping companies (Google Maps, etc.) regarding 112th Avenue; some streets rolled and some were not rolled during the chipseal program and clean up resulted in chips in the grass.

Mayor Ford introduced the new public works director Maria D'Andrea.

Councilman Bullock reported on a complaint concerning train noise in the middle of the night at 96th & Highway 2. The City Manager provided an update.

Councilman Elliott reminded everyone of the Cultural Council Music in the Park event to be held July 18th.

Councilman Teter reported that a Girls Fast Pitch Softball Tournament was held in Commerce City during the 4th of July week.

Mayor Ford reported receiving complaints of livestock in residential areas. An owner was issued a summons. Also, complaints are coming in concerning issues at the event center.

12. Reports

City Manager McBroom highlighted his weekly report. Discussion followed concerning a vendor request to present to council.

The Mayor reported on attendance at meetings and events.

13. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

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