



Meeting Minutes - Final

City Council

Monday, July 18, 2016

6:00 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 Monday, July 18, 2016, at 6:00 PM.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bullock, seconded by Council Member McEldowney, to excuse Council Member Amador from this meeting.

VOTE: 8 aye, 1 excused (Amador)

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 Paolo Diaz

Excused: 1 - Council Member Andrew Amador

2. Executive Session

[16-36](#)

An executive pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e) for the purpose of receiving legal advice concerning potential litigation and to provide instructions to negotiators relative to potential litigation

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Council Member Teter, to enter into an executive session, pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4) (b) and (e), for the purpose of receiving legal advice concerning potential litigation, and to provide instructions to negotiators relative to potential litigation. VOTE:

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 Diaz

Excused: 1 - Council Member Amador

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Amador arrived during the executive session.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: 9 - 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, Council Member Andrew Amador and Council Member Paolo Diaz

4. Audience Introduction

The audience introduced themselves.

2. Citizen Communication

Roger Heinz, 10450 Brighton Rd., expressed concern about speeding and overweight truck traffic on Brighton Road between 104th and 120th Ave.

6. Approval of Minutes

[Min 16-57](#)

Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2016

A motion was made by Council Member Teter, seconded by Council Member Douglas, to allow Council Member Elliott to abstain from voting on the minutes because of her excused absence.

VOTE: 8 aye, 1 abstain (Elliott)

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Council Member Amador, that the minutes be approved. VOTE:

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

Abstained: 1 - Council Member Elliott

[Min 16-58](#)

Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2016

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Council Member Teter, that the minutes be approved. VOICE VOTE: Unanimous, all present affirmed.

7. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Council Member Amador, to approve the consent agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

[Ord 2103](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2016 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE ADAMS COUNTY OPEN SPACE GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A RESIDENTIAL LOT LOCATED AT 6023 FOREST DRIVE AND THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

[Res 2016-64](#)

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE HEALTHY EATING AND

ACTIVE LIVING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- [Res 2016-74](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE COMMERCE CITY HERITAGE AND CULTURAL CENTER
- [Res 2016-81](#) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR 2016 SLURRY SEAL AND PAVEMENT REPAIR PROJECT
- [Res 2016-89](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING CONVEYANCE OF CITY PROPERTY TO BRIGHTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J
- [Res 2016-91](#) RESOLUTION APPOINTING KENDRA CARBERRY TO SERVE AS THE ALTERNATE HEARING OFFICER FOR THE COMMERCE CITY MARIJUANA LICENSING AUTHORITY AND LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY
- [Res 2016-92](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES
- [Res 2016-93](#) RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE COMMERCE CITY HERITAGE AND CULTURAL CENTER

8. Ordinances on 1st Reading

- [Ord 2104](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2016 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING (POST) GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 FOR THE SUPPORT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING BACKFILL AND THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bullock, that this ordinance be introduced by council as seated and approved on first reading. VOTE:

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

- [Ord 2105](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2016 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,000 FOR (DUI) ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS AND THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bullock, seconded by Council Member McEldowney, that this ordinance be introduced by council as seated and approved on first reading. VOTE:

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

[Ord 2106](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2016 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE TONY GRAMPSAS YOUTH SERVICES SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$79,119 FOR THE SUPPORT OF YOUTH MARIJUANA USE PREVENTION Program AND THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bullock, seconded by Council Member Amador, that this ordinance be introduced by council as seated and approved on first reading. VOTE:

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

9. Presentations

[Pres 16-444](#)

Adelante Community Development Update

Maria Gonzalez appeared on behalf of the organization to give a brief presentation This organization began several years ago to provide resources to the Latino business community. She reviewed their mission, vision, and values. The organization's main focus is within Adams County and membership opportunities range from \$10 to \$2,500. Future planning includes: hiring an executive director, developing a business education program, developing a strong workforce, and finding building space.

[Pres 16-370](#)

Marijuana Licensing Update

City Clerk Laura Bauer provided council with an update on the marijuana licensing program that went into effect June 2015. The city has received a total of 25 license applications from 15 applicants in this first year, and of those, four licenses have been issued.

[Pres 16-406](#)

CDBG Consolidated Plan Update

Planning Manager Steve Timms stated that the city hired a consultant to assist in the development of the city's first consolidated plan. As of July 1, 2016, a draft plan has been available for public review and comment. Action plans will be developed based on community input and council review. HUD representatives have recommended Commerce City limit the number of first-year projects because this is a brand new program and the organizational reporting structure is not yet in place.

[Pres 16-434](#)

Police Department Update

City Manager McBroom said that Interim Police Chief Richardson will be providing an update to council on the four initiatives introduced in January 2016. Those initiatives are: advance citizen advisory board, formally request assistance from the department

of justice, implement body worn cameras, and hire a part-time investigator to re-open some old sex assault cases.

Interim Police Chief Richardson provided council with an update on the police department. Chief Richardson stated that of the 102 allocated sworn positions, there are five vacancies, and of the 27 allocated non-sworn positions there are six vacancies. Officers continue to work 12-hour shifts. Applications for the citizen advisory committee have been slow, but are coming in and the application deadline has been extended. A letter to the department of justice has been prepared for Mayor Ford's signature and the body worn camera program went live on July 1st. Two part-time investigators were brought on board to review the old sex assault cases and they are currently working on four cases.

City Manager McBroom stated that Interim Police Chief Richardson, Interim Deputy City Manager Smith and himself met with local representatives of the department of justice this spring. The department of justice is offering a new program called C.O.P.S. that is advisory in nature. C.O.P.S. stands for Community Oriented Policing Services and City Manager McBroom believes the city would be eligible for the program.

A motion was made by Council Member Carson, seconded by Council Member McEldowney, to allow Mayor Ford to sign a letter requesting the department of justice conduct an assessment of the police department.

VOTE: Unanimous; all present affirmed

10. Administrative Council Business

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bullock, seconded by Council Member Amador, to start the August 15, 2016, business meeting at 7:00 pm to allow council the opportunity to attend the Turnberry Park grand opening.

VOTE: Unanimous; all present affirmed

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bullock, seconded by Council Member Teter, to approve Council Member Amador's request to attend the Sabor event with the cost of tickets coming out of discretionary funds.

VOTE: Unanimous; all present affirmed

A motion was made by Council Member McEldowney, seconded by Council Member Amador, to approve Mayor Pro Tem Bullock's request to attend a conference in Breckenridge with the registration fee coming out of council's travel budget.

Council Member Douglas inquired about the property ownership between the Walgreens, off Vasquez, and the neighboring business. There are ruts in the road making it difficult for vehicles to maneuver through that area. Mr. Douglas asked about construction activities at 120th and Sable across from the truck stop, why a television was no longer available at the Buffalo Run Golf Course pro shop, why the beverage carts could not accept debit/credit cards, and the Bison Grill getting the "Sunday Ticket."

Council Member Amador asked about a speed study at Kearney and 61st. He also asked about the delay in closing out the Paradise Pool project.

Interim Director of External Affairs Halstead stated that the public art financing piece

was delaying close out of the project.

Mayor Ford asked staff to include contact information for racoon issues in the next newsletter, the status of the 112th Avenue closure, issues with a light at 104th & Florence, and sight distance problems at 120th & Chambers.

Council Member Elliott reported a large RV parked in an empty lot on 72nd Avenue and an older vehicle with a camper parked in Frontier Park parking lot.

11. Reports

City Manager McBroom highlighted items from his weekly report provided to council earlier via email.

A motion was made by Council Member Douglas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bullock, to direct staff to conduct warrant studies for traffic signals at E. 104th & Peoria and E. 104th & Florence.

VOTE: Unanimous; all present affirmed

The mayor and council reported on their attendance at various meetings and events.

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:14pm.

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

Respectfully Submitted By:

City Clerk Laura Bauer