

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2017 @ 5:30 P.M.
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 214 S. LOVE STREET**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Campos at 5:30 p.m.

Present and answering roll call: Commissioner Sanchez, Commissioner Trujillo, Commissioner Gandy, Commissioner Butcher, and Mayor Campos

Also Present: City Manager James Williams, City Attorney Patrick McMahon, Chief of Police David Rodriguez, Fire Chief Terrance Lizardo, Public Works Director Wyatt Duncan, City Clerk Anna Juarez, and Administrative Assistant Joanna Barrera.

Invocation: Commissioner Trujillo gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Trujillo led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Trujillo so moved to approve agenda as submitted; Commissioner Gandy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 22, 2017: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Sanchez so moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 22, 2017 as submitted; Commissioner Butcher seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER AND STAFF REPORTS:

- Public Works Director Duncan informed commissioners that low water pressure that took place at City of Lovington was due to no power at booster one station; new power supply has been placed and everything is now functioning well. City residents were informed of issue through social media and by City Hall employees answering customer's phone calls.
- Public Works Director Duncan informed commissioners a non-powered boat will be used to remove remaining cattail that was not reachable with the excavator.
- Finance Director Chapman informed commissioners that a data request list from RPC auditors has been received; this will be the last year of auditing by RPC. Finance Director Chapman also informed commissioners that he has been in contact with Chuck Berry from Tyler Technologies to ensure no additional charges are being made; go live will take place late November, 2017 and training for staff will be provided in August 2017.
- City Manager Williams gave commissioners an update on pool hours and admission fees. City Manager Williams also informed commissioners that Smoking on the Plaza event will take place June 16, 2017 and June 17, 2017.

- Chief of Police Rodriguez informed commissioners that Accreditation of NM did re-evaluation on police department; the evaluation passed and it is good for three more years.
- City Manager Williams informed commissioners that Drylands Brewery started brewing on May 22, 2017; Staff training will be taking place and they will be open for business on the last week of June. Mayor Campos stated to move forward; Drylands Brewery will not be penalized for not being open to public.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Todd Hunter commended the parks department on cattail removal. Mr. Hunter informed commissioners that his mother is a senior citizen and that it is very difficult for her to afford a large utility increase. City Manager Williams informed Mr. Hunter that there is a discount offered to senior citizens.
- Mr. Chunn asked commissioners how his water bill will be affected in his RV Park. City Manager Williams informed Mr. Chun that he may assist him reviewing his bill to get an estimate of increase in water utilities.

NON ACTION ITEMS:

20th Anniversary Wildbunch Classic Softball Tournament: Alfredo Gomez provided a list of the Wildbunch Classic Softball Tournament expenses to commissioners. Mr. Gomez requested for Lodgers Tax to consider funding for the Wildbunch Classic Softball Tournament. Mr. Gomez provided commissioners with tournament information; Mr. Gomez stated that the tournament brings a big crowd to the City. City Manager Williams informed Mr. Gomez that Lodgers Tax Meeting will take place on June 29, 2017; Lodgers Tax request must be submitted by June 23, 2017.

Discussion of City Dress Code Policy: City Clerk Juarez informed commissioners that a dress code policy has been put together and reviewed by department heads. City Clerk Juarez asked commissioners to review policy and inform her of any updates that they have in mind. Mayor Campos suggested updates to dress code policy presented; Mayor Campos will email City Clerk Juarez with suggestions of updates to dress code policy. Mayor Campos asked if Waste Water Plant employees are required to be fit tested. Manager Williams informed commissioners that fit testing requirements depends on the job hazard classification and that OSHA guidelines must be followed. Public Works Director Duncan informed commissioners that employees at Waste Water Plant have been fit tested and they are under compliance.

ACTION ITEMS:

Consider Resolution 2017-55: Approval of temporary grant of easement to Chevron Midcontinent, LP for monitor wells: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Trujillo so moved to consider Resolution 2017-55: Approval of temporary grant of easement to Chevron Midcontinent, LP for monitor wells; Commissioner Gandy seconded. Public Works Director informed commissioners that Resolution 2017-55 will authorize the execution of Temporary Grants of Easement to Chevron so that they may

install six additional monitor wells in the City well field. There being no further discussion; motion carried unanimously.

Consider Resolution 2017-56: Authorizing the execution of a multiple year agreement with J&M Displays, Inc. for the July 4th fireworks display: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Butcher so moved to consider Resolution 2017-56: Authorizing the execution of a multiple year agreement with J&M Displays, Inc. for the July 4th fireworks display; Commissioner Gandy seconded. Fire Chief Lizardo informed commissioners that Resolution 2017-56 will authorize to extend the agreement with J&M Displays, Inc for the July 4th fireworks display; agreement with J&M Display will end this year, therefore approval is needed to extend agreement to three more years. There being no further discussion; motion carried unanimously.

Consider Resolution 2017-57: Disposal and transfer of surplus equipment to the Elephant Butte Fire Department: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Trujillo so moved to consider Resolution 2017-57: Disposal and transfer of surplus equipment to the Elephant Butte Fire Department; Commissioner Sanchez seconded. Fire Chief Lizardo informed commissioners that due to the two new ambulances that were added to the fire department fleet, two of the old ambulances need to be disposed of. Elephant Butte Fire Department has requested the donation of these units as their current one is out of service; units are working properly. There being no further discussion; motion carried unanimously.

Consider Accounts Payable: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Sanchez so moved to approve the accounts payable; Commissioner Trujillo seconded. Mayor Campos suggested a subline to be added to the accounts payable data sheet to show what each payment is referring to. There being no further discussion; motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION: At 6:53 p.m., Commissioner Trujillo moved to adjourn the Regular Session and convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 NMSA 1978, Subsection H-7, regarding threatened or pending litigation - Intrepid Potash Water rights protest, EPNG/XRI Water Rights protest, Ortega water rights protest, Notice of Tort from E. Michel, T. Hobbs v. Lovington Police Department; Notice Subsection H-8, regarding the purchase, acquisition, or disposition of real property or water rights – termination of commercial lease; Commissioner Gandy seconded, a roll call vote was taken: Commissioner Sanchez - Yes, Commissioner Trujillo - Yes; Commissioner Butcher - Yes; Commissioner Gandy - Yes, and Mayor Campos - Yes.

At 6:53 p.m., Commissioner Gandy so moved to adjourn the Closed Session and reconvene in Regular Session stating that matters discussed were limited only to those specified in the motion and no action was taken. Commissioner Butcher seconded and a roll call vote was taken: Commissioner Gandy – Yes, Commissioner Butcher - Yes; Commissioner Sanchez – Yes, Commissioner Trujillo - Yes; and Mayor Campos – Yes.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Mayor Campos called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Trujillo so moved to adjourn meeting; Commissioner Gandy seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
PAUL CAMPOS, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
ANNA JUAREZ, CITY CLERK