

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 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 Butcher, Commissioner Sanchez, Commissioner Trujillo, and Mayor Campos

Absent: Commissioner Gandy

Also Present: City Attorney Cox, Finance Director Gary Chapman, Chief of Police David Rodriguez, Fire Chief Terrance Lizardo, Public Works Director Wyatt Duncan, City Clerk Anna Juarez, and Executive Assistant Jocelyn Zimmerman.

Invocation: Commissioner Butcher gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Butcher led the pledge.

Approval of Agenda: Mayor Campos called for a motion to approve agenda as submitted. Commissioner Trujillo made a motion to amend agenda and remove item under consideration 2017-123: Award of Love Street Restroom and Remodel Bid; Commissioner Butcher seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 9, 2017: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Butcher so moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 9, 2017 as submitted; Commissioner Sanchez seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER AND STAFF REPORTS:

- Public Works Director Duncan gave an update on the Polk and 7th Street Construction. There have been rainy days that created moisture content below the curb and gutter that delayed project. A solution to the moisture content has been reached for project.
- Finance Director Chapman informed commissioners that Tyler Technologies Representatives will be at City Hall for a week to adapt a new program for payroll. Also, we are still in the audit process, but the auditors left our premises happy with our cooperation and what the City has provided thus far. The City has no audit findings and should be finished with audit before deadline.
- City Clerk Juarez introduced Executive Assistant Zimmerman. Executive Assistant Jocelyn stated where she was from and her excitement for Lovington.
- Commissioner Butcher mentioned that the turnout for the Movies by Moonlight on October 19, 2017 had a great turnout. We will have another movie on Thursday, October 26, 2017.

- Mayor Campos asked for a brief on the event on Main Street, Oktober Festival, which occurred on Saturday, October 21, 2017. Executive Director of the Lovington EDC, Evelyn Holguin, and Executive Director for Lovington Main Street, Mara Salcido, told commissioners about the event. They mentioned how many people participated in each event, thanked all volunteers and workers, including the street department and police officers, for their full cooperation without complaints, and were thankful for the road closure for the setup and the event. One complaint for business parking was addressed. No disturbances happened throughout the event and would like to do other events on Main Street in the near future, as well as another event like this next year. Mayor Campos thanked them for their hard work.
- Mayor Campos asked Chief Rodriguez for an update on the event in which police shots were fired. Police Chief Rodriguez said that it is still under investigation by State Police. Chief Rodriguez said that while the police officer did take the standard 72 hours to debrief, he is unable to comment on anything else.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Waste Management New Mexico Public Sector Manager, Dan Darnell, introduced himself and offered his services to the Water Department to better communication and be an advocate for our City. Public Sector Manager Darnell said he would like to help with the clean-up portion of City events and partner in the future.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation 2017-04: Veterans Appreciation Week: Mayor Campos read and presented Commissioner Trujillo with the Proclamation as Commissioner Trujillo is a veteran. Mayor Campos declared the week of November 5 thru November 11 as Veterans Appreciation Week.

NON ACTION ITEMS

Discussion of Police Department Uniform Policy Update: Chief Rodriguez and his command staff have recently completed a review and update of the Police Departments Uniform Policy. Primary changes made to the policy involve additional language regarding tattoos.

ACTION ITEMS:

Consider Approval of Ordinance No. 555: Creation of Title 2, Division VI Administration and Personnel, Chapter 2.94 Code of Conduct of the Lovington Municipal Code: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Sanchez so moved to consider Approval of Ordinance No. 555: Creation of Title 2, Division VI Administration and Personnel, Chapter 2.94 Code of Conduct of the Lovington Municipal Code; there was no second. The motion died.

Consider Resolution 2017-120: Approval of Street Closure/Block Party Permit for Halloween on the Plaza, October 28, 2017: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Trujillo so moved to Consider Resolution 2017-120: Approval of Street Closure/Block Party Permit for Halloween on the Plaza, October 28, 2017; Commissioner Sanchez seconded. In order to accommodate the construction the layout of the closure will be changed as follows: Central will

be closed from Main Street to Love Street and Love Street will be closed from Avenue A to Central Avenue. There being no further discussion; motion carried unanimously.

Consider Resolution 2017-121: Approval of professional services agreement between the City and Consensus Planning, Inc. for MRA Plan update: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Butcher so moved to Consider Resolution 2017-121: Approval of professional services agreement between the City and Consensus Planning, Inc. for MRA Plan update. Commissioner Sanchez seconded. Chief Rodriguez stated that this resolution will authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement between the City and Consensus Planning, Inc. for the MRA Plan Update. This process is being paid for by an NMFA Grant. Per grant requirements, the contractor and the contract have been approved by NMFA. Once the agreement is executed, the project will begin. This plan will be completed by June 2018. There being no further discussion; motion carried unanimously.

Consider Resolution 2017-122: Approval to apply for SERTPO funding for Commercial Street Phase II: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Trujillo so moved to Consider Resolution 2017-122: Approval to apply for SERTPO funding for Commercial Street Phase II. Commissioner Sanchez seconded. This resolution will authorize and support the City's application for construction funds for the second phase of the North Commercial Reconstruction Project. This project is currently under planning and design with a partnership with Lea County. Phase 2 will involve the reconstruction of North Commercial between Van Buren and U.S. 82 (Plains Highway). This project is listed as priority 1 on the City's ICIP. Additional funding is also being requested through a Capital Outlay appropriation request. There being no further discussion; motion carried unanimously.

Consider Accounts Payable: Mayor Campos called for a motion. Commissioner Butcher so moved to Consider Accounts Payable. Commissioner Trujillo seconded. There being no further discussion; motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Mayor Campos called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Trujillo so moved to adjourn meeting. Commissioner Butcher seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
PAUL CAMPOS, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
ANNA JUAREZ, CITY CLERK