

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2013 @ 5:30 P.M.
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 214 S. LOVE STREET

Present and answering roll call: Mayor Drummond, Commissioners Trujillo, Bengé, Granath and Gandy.

Also present: City Manager Williams, Chief of Police Bryant, City Attorney McMahon, City Clerk Hogue, Administrative Assistant Gutierrez, and Finance Director Stephens.

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

Invocation: Commissioner Trujillo gave the invocation

Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Trujillo led the pledge

Approval of Agenda: Mayor Drummond asked for a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Granath seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Regular Minutes of December 10, 2012: Mayor Drummond asked for a motion for approval of the December 10, 2012 regular minutes. Commissioner Gandy so moved. Commissioner Trujillo seconded. Mayor Drummond called for a vote. Motion was approved.

NON-ACTION ITEMS:

Discussion of Hearts Desire Update: Debi Feltman addressed the Commissioners on updated information about the programs at Hearts Desire. They have served Lovington for 8 years. The program has 230-300 individuals, 14 programs and 3 programs in the Lovington Detention Center which have been there for a year. Hearts Desire has 14 employees and 5 persons from the recovery center. The J. Maddox foundation has donated capital for different projects such as paving the parking lots, therapeutic garden and a large pavilion for concerts.

Discussion of Youth Center Board Appointment: Kelli Taylor is recommended to be appointed to the Youth Center Board. Commissioners will vote on the next regular meeting.

Discussion of Change of 17.20.070- Intensity of Use: Pat Wise requested to change the lot sizes from 7,000 square feet to 5,000 square feet. Instead of changing the ordinance maybe do a variance by request only it would be cheaper for the City to do it this way. Randy Pettigrew would like for the City to look at what is needed in housing development. It will allow the City to decide what the land would be used for. Mr. Pettigrew thinks it's a bad idea to change to 5,000 square feet for the entire community

and allowing developers to submit variances provides for more checks and balances to ensure it is the right decision for our City.

Discussion of Scheduling Commission Work Session: Mayor Drummond asked City Manager Williams to send out a couple of dates and they will decide the day. The time will be at 4:30p.m.

Discussion of Quarterly Financial Report: Commissioners reviewed the financial report. Any concerns of the report were explained by Finance Director Stephens.

ACTION ITEMS:

Consideration of Approval of Ordinance No 504- Sale of Property (Legendary Services): Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the sale of property to Legendary Services Commissioner Gandy so moved. Commissioner Trujillo seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration of Resolution 011413- Lease Termination: Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the lease agreement termination on Legendary Services property. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Gandy seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration of Approval of Housing RFP Agreement: Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the agreement with the developers and City. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Bengé seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration of Approval of CES Purchasing Agreement: Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the agreement of CES and the City. Commissioner Bengé so moved. Commissioner Trujillo seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration of Approval of Lodger's Tax Request: Mayor Drummond is requesting a detailed budget from the Lea County Museum. Commissioner Gandy voiced his concern about the music being played at the softball tournaments. Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the request for Lodger's Tax. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Gandy seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration of Approval of Variance- Desert Willow Subdivision: Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the variance on 7th Street & Polk Ave. Minimize the lot sizes from 7,000 square feet to 5,000 square feet in Zone A. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Gandy seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration of Approval of Zoning Class Change for Subdivisions: Code Enforcer Brock requested to change from Zone A to Zone B in the Morningside & Fairview Subdivisions. Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Granath seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration of Approval of Replat: Pat Rice requested a replat to expand her father's driveway at 803 W. Ave I. Boundaries need to be surveyed and updated. Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Bengé seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration to Approval of Variance for Zoning Classification in ETZ: Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve a request from Richard Choate to change the 160 acres zoning classification from R1-Single Family to R3-Commercial. Commissioner Granath so moved. Commissioner Gandy seconded. Motion was approved.

Consideration of Accounts Payables: Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve accounts payables. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Bengé seconded. Motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Drummond called for public comment. None.

CLOSED SESSION:

At 6:25p.m Mayor Drummond called for a motion to go into closed session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1, NMSA 1978, Subsection H-2 regarding limited personnel matters and Subsection H-7 pending litigation. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Granath seconded. Motion was approved.

OPEN SESSION:

At 6:45p.m Mayor Drummond called for a motion to go back into open session. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Gandy seconded and a roll call vote was taken: Mayor Drummond, aye; Commissioner Trujillo, aye; Commissioner Bengé, aye; Commissioner Gandy, aye; and Commissioner Granath, aye. . Motion was approved.

ACTION ITEM:

Mayor Drummond called for a motion to approve the City Manager Employment Agreement. Commissioner Trujillo so moved. Commissioner Gandy seconded. Motion was approved.

OTHER:

Commissioner Granath has concerns about the parking lot area at the new restaurant Corrina's Café.

Commissioner Gandy mentioned about the street signs in the City that are missing or damaged.

City Manager Williams:

- Lea County Electric will be removing the Christmas signs tomorrow and will be stored at the Chaparral park main shed.
- Advertisement for Assistant City Manager position will be advertised again.
- Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be tomorrow at 6:30p.m.
- Annual Municipal will be held February 19-21, 2013 in Santa Fe.

Chief Bryant mentioned that some drugs were taken off the streets.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
DIXIE DRUMMOND, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CAROL ANN HOGUE, CITY CLERK