

Regular Meeting of the City Council, City of Farmington, New Mexico, held in the Council Chamber at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2020. The open regular session was held in full conformity with the laws and ordinances and rules of the Municipality.

Upon roll call, the following were found to be present, constituting a quorum:

MAYOR	Nate Duckett
COUNCILORS	Linda G. Rodgers Sean E. Sharer Jeanine Bingham-Kelly Janis Jakino

constituting all members of said Governing Body.

Also present were:

CITY MANAGER	Rob Mayes
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER	Julie Baird
CITY ATTORNEY	Jennifer Breakell
CITY CLERK	Andrea Jones

The meeting was convened by the Mayor. Thereupon the following proceedings were duly had and taken:

The invocation was offered by Reverend George Harris of Fellowship of Spirit.

San Juan County Public Relations Manager Devin Neeley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA: The Mayor announced that those items on the agenda marked with an asterisk (\*) have been placed on the Consent Agenda and will be voted on without discussion by one motion. He stated that if any item did not meet with approval of all Councilors or if a citizen so requested, that item would be removed from the Consent Agenda and heard under Business from the Floor.

\*MINUTES: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held February 25, 2020.

\*REAPPOINTMENT OF REGISTERED VOTER ROBERT MILLER as an alternate municipal judge pursuant to Section 11-2-3 of City Code (term to March 31, 2021).

\*ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2020-1745 approving Phase III of the Foothills Drive Enhancement Project (Mesa Del Oso to East Cheva Court) and requesting funds from the New Mexico Department of Transportation FY2021 Municipal Arterial Program (M.A.P.) for such project.

\*WARRANTS PAYABLE for the time period of February 23, 2020 through March 7, 2020, for current and prior years, in the amount of \$9,774,780.34.

There being no requests to remove any items, a motion was made by Councilor Sharer, seconded by Councilor Jakino to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

\*CONSENT AGENDA: Planning Manager Beth Escobar requested that the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation marked with an asterisk (\*) be placed on the Planning and Zoning Commission Consent Agenda and voted on without discussion. She asked that if the item proposed did not meet with approval of all Councilors or if a citizen so requested, that it be removed from the Consent Agenda and heard in regular order.

\*(1) Adoption of the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission as contained within the Community Development

Division Action Summary to approve Petition No. ABD 20-08 from Joe G. Maloof Realty requesting abandonment of a portion of alleyway running parallel to the western property line of 1801 Bloomfield Highway located in the GC, General Commercial, District.

There being no requests to remove the item, a motion was made by Councilor Sharer, seconded by Councilor Rodgers to approve the Planning and Zoning Commission Consent Agenda, as presented, and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

#### UPDATE/COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Planning Manager Beth Escobar provided a brief overview of the Comprehensive Plan ("Comp Plan") update and reported that the process is approximately halfway complete. She reviewed the community outreach activities to-date and announced that the draft Community Profile has been dispersed for review. Ms. Escobar presented the draft visions and goals of the Comp Plan and she provided a timeline of the next steps in the update process, noting that the final public hearings and adoption of the updated Comp Plan are scheduled for November 2020.

#### APPOINTMENT TO THE LODGERS' TAX ADVISORY BOARD

Mayor Duckett asked the Council's consideration of the appointment of Theresa Bailey as a member of the Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board (term to July, 2020).

Thereupon, a motion was made by Councilor Rodgers, seconded by Councilor Jakino to confirm the appointment of Theresa Bailey as a member of the Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board, as recommended by the Mayor, and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Duckett presented and read in full Resolution No. 2020-1746 proclaiming March 30 through April 5, 2020 as "Census Week." The title of the resolution being:

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 30 THROUGH APRIL 5, 2020 AS CENSUS WEEK.

At the Mayor's request, San Juan County Public Relations Manager Devin Neeley briefly reviewed the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee's planned outreach activities and emphasized that each person counted represents approximately \$5,000 of federal funding per year with a cumulative total of \$50,000 over the 10-year census period. Additionally, he reported that New Mexico stands to lose approximately \$750 million for every one percent undercount in the 2020 Census and he encouraged all members of the community to participate in the 2020 Census.

Following brief discussion, a motion was made by Councilor Rodgers, seconded by Councilor Sharer to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2020-1746, as presented. The roll was called with the following result:

Those voting aye:	Linda G. Rodgers Sean E. Sharer Jeanine Bingham-Kelly Janis Jakino
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Those voting nay:	None
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The presiding officer thereupon declared that four Councilors having voted in favor thereof, the said motion carried

#### COUNCIL BUSINESS

#### COVID-19 Update

At the Mayor's request, City Manager Rob Mayes relayed that the New Mexico Department of Health has indicated that there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in New Mexico to-date and he reported that staff has been meeting regularly to review, revise and rehearse the City's emergency management plans to effectively maintain services to the public. He stated that staff is working diligently with representatives from San Juan Regional Medical Center ("SJRMC"), San Juan County ("SJC")

and Farmington Municipal Schools ("FMS") and he emphasized that it is imperative for all citizens to prevent the spread of germs by washing their hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds, covering coughs and sneezes, adhering to recommended social distancing and remaining at home when sick. Mr. Mayes reported that SJRMC has created an informational hotline; stated that the public can register for CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) updates at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov); and pointed out that the City's website at [www.fmtn.org](http://www.fmtn.org) has all of this information as well as links to various resources available to the public. He announced that informational signs regarding high-risk individuals and preventing the spread of germs are being posted in all facilities and he expressed his confidence in the City's ability to manage the situation as it evolves.

#### CITY MANAGER BUSINESS

##### Ricketts Park Bleacher Project

Noting that Council previously approved the bleacher project at Ricketts Park, City Manager Rob Mayes reported that the Connie Mack World Series ("CMWS") Committee has made staff aware that they will fund the project utilizing \$225,000 in cash and \$350,000 in an unsecured line of credit and he emphasized that there is no obligation to the City. He stated that repurposing the old bleachers is no longer a feasible option which will cost the City \$38,000 to remove them and he reported that accepting the new bleachers necessitates the replacement and expansion of the net to protect the new box seats along each base line at a cost to the City of \$105,000. Mr. Mayes pointed out that the net needs to be replaced regardless due to its age and current condition and he announced that the expenditures for removing the bleachers and replacing the net will utilize the 202 Fund.

At the Mayor's request, CMWS Committee Vice-Chairman Mark Varley and members Kevin Wilcox, Carol May, Brad Campbell and Kim Stradling introduced themselves.

Following brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to reaffirm their approval of the bleacher project at Ricketts Park.

##### Bid/Surveillance Camera System

City Manager Rob Mayes reminded Council that this project was listed as the second project on the City's Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan ("ICIP") following the Piñon Hills Boulevard Bridge and he announced that this pilot project will help to guide staff in creating the best surveillance camera system utilizing \$500,000 awarded to the City for the project. He reported that bids for purchase of a surveillance camera system (Police) opened on February 21, 2020 with two bidders participating and stated that staff has recommended that the bid be awarded to Next Level (alternate bid) on its low bid meeting specifications after application of five percent in-state preference of \$43,637.50, noting that these funds will be expended from the General Fund's new opportunities/unanticipated line item.

Police Chief Steve Hebbe announced that staff has visited the Real Time Crime Centers ("RTCC") in Albuquerque and Hobbs and stated that staff believes the cameras selected for the pilot program will be optimal for the river walk and downtown locations. He discussed the possibilities of future connections to businesses, schools and residential camera systems and he introduced Lieutenant Casey Malone. Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Lt. Malone reported that Phase I of the RTCC is implementation of the pilot program with cameras located at Animas Park, All Veterans Memorial Park, the playground and parking lot area off of River Road, the gazebo area in Berg Park, the Broadway bridge and Boyd Park. He explained that the pilot project includes the installation of six PTZ (pan-tilt-zoom) and six 360 degree cameras which will utilize cellular data due to the lack of available fiber optic cable and radio/antenna capability throughout most of the river walk and he stated that the data will be stored on internal SD (secure data) cards for approximately 10 days. Lt. Malone reported that Phase II will utilize \$198,000 provided by a Homeland Security Grant to outfit the RTCC with hardware and software and add approximately 18-20 cameras at specific traffic intersections and he stated that Phase III will utilize the \$302,000 of Capital Outlay appropriations to expand the program to additional parks and intersections. In addition, Chief Hebbe stated that the river walk locations were selected based on high traffic patterns or previous criminal activity and he emphasized that the cameras located at

traffic intersections will only be used to investigate criminal activity and not traffic violations.

Following brief discussion, a motion was made by Councilor Rodgers, seconded by Councilor Sharer to award the bid for purchase of a surveillance camera system to Next Level, as recommended, and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

Cancellation of the March 17, 2020 City Council Work Session

At the request of City Manager Rob Mayes, it was the consensus of the Council to affirm his administrative decision to cancel the March 17, 2020 City Council Work Session due to a lack of agenda items.

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Councilor Sharer, seconded by Councilor Rodgers to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m., and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

The City Clerk certified that notice of the foregoing meeting was given by posting pursuant to Resolution No. 2013-1466, et seq.

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

Entered in the permanent record book this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

  
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Nate Duckett, Mayor

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ATTEST:

  
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Andrea Jones, City Clerk