

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, February 12, 2019. 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	Dianne Smylie

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

INVOCATION: The invocation was offered by Pastor David Florez of The Journey Church.

Economic Development Director Warren Unsicker 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 January 22, 2019 and the minutes of the Regular Work Session of the City Council held January 15, 2019.

*DECLARATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY: The Chief Procurement Officer recommended that worn-out, unusable or obsolete vehicles (General Services) be declared surplus to the needs of the City and not essential for municipal purposes, and that the City Manager or his designee be authorized to dispose of such surplus property pursuant to State Statutes.

*BID: The Chief Procurement Officer recommended that the bid for purchase of electrical connectors (Electric) be awarded to the lowest and best bidders per category after application of five percent in-state preference (Categories 1 and 3 - Western United, \$57,881.83; Category 2 - Stuart C. Irby, \$46,995.20), and that the bid received from Graybar Electrical be rejected for being non-responsive and not meeting specifications. Bids opened January 29, 2019 with four bidders participating.

*COOPERATIVE PROCUREMENT authorizing the City to become a member of The Inter-Local Purchasing System (TIPS), and to authorize the Mayor to execute the associated Agreement.

*ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT between the City and Cottonwood Clinical Services, Inc. for funding in the amount of \$60,000 to renovate parking lots at 653 West Arrington Street, located within the Metropolitan Redevelopment Area, utilizing monies from the Community Transformation and Economic Diversification (CTED) Fund.

*ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2019-1695 authorizing the City to submit an Alcohol Detoxification Grant Application to the Department of Finance and Administration, Local Government Division, to participate in the Local Detoxification Grant Program.

*WARRANTS PAYABLE for the time period of January 20, 2019 through February 9, 2019, for current and prior years, in the amount of \$11,905,155.43.

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

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

CONSENT AGENDA: Acting Community Development Director David Sypher 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. He 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 Department Petition Report to approve Petition No. PFP 18-101 from Rebecca Digman, represented by Sakura Engineering, requesting preliminary/final plat approval for Zetha Fritz Subdivision, a four-lot subdivision of 14.08 acres located at 501 and 505 Sandstone Avenue in the IND, Industrial, District subject to:
 - (a) all technical corrective changes or easements required by the Community Development Department;
 - (b) all technical corrective changes to the plat and construction drawings being completed and approved by the City prior to submission of the final plat; and
 - (c) sidewalks being required along Sandstone Avenue as part of any development permit issued for properties located adjacent to Sandstone Avenue.

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

EXPANSION OF THE PARK RANGER DIVISION

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Police Sergeant Roque Velarde reported that staff is recommending that six additional park rangers be hired for the purpose of increasing safety in the downtown area, the river walk, Brookside and Brookhaven parks and Lake Farmington. He explained that this initiative is in response to the complete streets project and the outdoor recreation industry initiative because it will increase police visibility and decrease the public's perception of safety concerns. He stated that the Park Ranger Division will provide coverage in the downtown and river walk areas seven days per week between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and provide rotating coverage at Brookside and Brookhaven Parks and Lake Farmington during the same days and times. He noted that the hours may vary depending on the time of year and the needs of the area and stated that the park rangers will be in uniform and will serve as ambassadors that focus on public interaction and relationship building while conducting foot patrols.

Reviewing the proposed budget, Police Lieutenant Casey Malone reported that the first year is estimated to cost \$620,229.22 for wages (6 park rangers and 67 percent of the cost for an additional sergeant), operating expenses and the purchase of four new vehicles with subsequent years being projected at \$406,906.26. He explained that the other 33 percent for the additional sergeant will be included in the budget for the bicycle patrol unit and he requested authorization to proceed utilizing monies from the Community Transformation and Economic Diversification (CTED) Fund.

In response to inquiry from Mayor Duckett, Lt. Malone reiterated that the hours of operation will be adjusted depending on the season and the need for the area and he also explained that the proposed vehicles will likely be small trucks that are not fully-equipped police units but provide enough room to transport individuals if necessary. City Manager Rob Mayes pointed out that police vehicles in the area may serve as an additional deterrent for crime. Mayor Duckett stated that he likes the proposed project because it is proactive and will increase the sense of security in the area.

Councilors Rodgers and Sharer also expressed concern for the proposed hours of operation but expressed their support for the project. Mr. Mayes pointed out that the program will likely be used as a recruitment tool for new police officers. In response to inquiry from Councilor Jakino, Lt. Malone stated that he hopes to have the officers hired, trained and patrolling the streets by July.

There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Councilor Jakino, seconded by Councilor Sharer to direct staff to proceed with expanding the Park Ranger Division as proposed utilizing monies from the Community Transformation and Economic Diversification Fund, and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

OUTDOOR RECREATION INDUSTRY INITIATIVE (ORII)/MARKETING AND OPPORTUNITIES

Outdoor Recreation Industry Initiative ("ORII") Director Cory Styron introduced Jim Glover and Marianne Tenenbaum from Once a Day Marketing, the team hired to create the brand "Jolt Your Journey."

Utilizing a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Glover provided an overview of the outdoor recreation industry, noting that it provides an annual consumer spending of \$887 billion according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis. He also noted that the Farmington area offers all 10 of the outdoor recreation activities of camping, fishing, hunting, motorcycling, off-roading, snow and water sports, wildlife viewing and wheel and trail sports and reported that New Mexico outdoor recreation generates 99,000 direct jobs, \$2.8 billion in wages and salaries and \$623 million in state and local tax revenue. He pointed out, however, that New Mexico is trailing behind the states of Utah, Colorado, Arizona, Texas and Oklahoma with its outdoor recreation economy which indicates that our resources are underutilized. Mr. Glover reviewed the success story of Ogden, Utah who launched its outdoor recreation initiative in 2002 and has since been named "the center of outdoor sports gear in the U.S." by the *Wall Street Journal*. He stated that he believes that Farmington is moving in the right direction with the imposition of the Community Transformation and Economic Diversification ("CTED") dedicated gross receipts tax and the establishment of the first City-based outdoor recreation department and director in the state. Mr. Glover explained that there are two parts to ORII, one being nature's playground which is the amenities that are offered and the other being nature's proving ground which is the ability for manufacturers to test their products in the proper setting. He presented the Council with a sample brochure that is being proposed which highlights the reasons to play, live and work in Farmington and proudly announced that Farmington has received national recognition from the *Outdoor Industry Association* which is the largest organization in the United States that covers the outdoor industry. Furthermore, Mr. Glover reported that San Juan College just opened "The Big Idea" makerspace which offers a variety of tools and equipment ranging from 3D printers to wood working to t-shirt design and reported that the next steps are to 1) enhance the economic development process; 2) develop an ORII marketing plan; 3) create outdoor recreation principles and a pledge; 4) visit Ogden, Utah for the purpose of gaining best practice knowledge; 5) participate in the outdoor recreation show to be held in Denver, Colorado in June; 6) promote this area for national exposure purposes; 7) explore the possibility of creating an investment fund; and 8) establish an outdoor recreation business association.

Following the presentation, Mayor Duckett stated that he is proud that Farmington is leading the State in many different ways and asked Mr. Glover if there is anything that other New Mexico cities are doing that we should be doing. In response, Mr. Glover stated that the efforts being made in Farmington far exceed the efforts being made in other communities and maintained that the next steps are to develop best practice standards and to focus on expanding the food industry.

Councilor Rodgers expressed her support for the proposed brochure and questioned where they will be distributed. In response, Mr. Styron reported that staff will be presenting projects for CTED funding at next week's Regular City Council Work Session and will include money for printing the proposed brochure.

At the request of City Manager Rob Mayes, the Council provided consensus to direct staff to proceed with scheduling a strategic planning session for the purpose of identifying projects that would qualify for a 10-year bond utilizing monies from the CTED Fund.

RECOGNITION OF POLICE CHIEF STEVE HEBBE

Mayor Duckett read a letter that he received back in January from Interim Bloomfield Police Chief Randon Matthews commending Farmington Police Chief Steve Hebbe for his leadership, professionalism and willingness to assist.

RECOGNITION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR WARREN UNSICKER

City Manager Rob Mayes proudly recognized Economic Development Director Warren Unsicker for receiving the national 2019 Economic Development "40 under 40" award as presented by Development Counselors International and Jorgenson Consulting. The presentation was concluded with a hearty round of applause.

Mayor Duckett announced that he received a note from the Council of Mayors advising him that Broken Arrow, Oklahoma took a first place award for their "changing of the game" in economic development and proudly noted that this is the city where Mr. Unsicker was previously employed.

CITY ATTORNEY BUSINESS

City Attorney Jennifer Breakell presented an ordinance pertaining to the New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2019 and stated that notice of intent to consider said ordinance has been published two weeks prior to final action upon the ordinance as required by Section 3-17-3 NMSA 1978 Compilation. She recommended the ordinance, if adopted, be given the number 2019-1315. The title of the ordinance being:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO MUNICIPAL GROSS RECEIPTS TAX IMPROVEMENT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2019, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE COSTS OF DESIGNING, ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTING, ACQUIRING AND IMPROVING STREETS AND TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS, AND PAYING COSTS OF ISSUANCE OF THE SERIES 2019 BONDS.

After consideration of Ordinance No. 2019-1315, a motion was made by Councilor Rodgers, seconded by Councilor Sharer that said ordinance be passed and adopted 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 and Ordinance No. 2019-1315 was duly passed and adopted.

CLOSED MEETING

A motion was made by Councilor Rodgers, seconded by Councilor Sharer to close the meeting to discuss a request for qualification-based proposals for professional engineering services for water treatment plant improvements, pursuant to Section 10-15-1H(6) NMSA 1978; and to discuss acquisition of real property for utility purposes, pursuant to Section 10-15-1H(8) NMSA 1978. The roll was called with the following result:

Those voting aye:

Linda G. Rodgers
Sean E. Sharer
Jeanine Bingham-Kelly
Janis Jakino

Those voting nay:

None

The presiding officer thereupon declared that four Councilors having voted in favor thereof, the said motion carried.

The Mayor convened the closed meeting at 7:09 p.m. with all members of the Council being present.

Following the closed meeting, during which meeting the matters discussed were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure, a motion was made by Councilor Rodgers, seconded by Councilor Sharer to open the meeting for further business, and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

The open meeting was reconvened by the Mayor at 7:33 p.m. with all members of the Council being present.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION-BASED PROPOSALS/PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS

Contracts Administrator Rosalyn Potter reported that qualification-based proposals for professional engineering services for water treatment plant improvements (Public Works) opened on January 9, 2019 with four offerors participating. She recommended that staff be directed to commence negotiations with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. as the top evaluated firm after application of the five percent in-state and Veterans preferences.

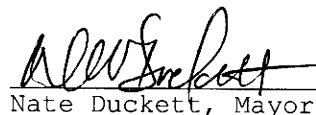
Thereupon, a motion was made by Councilor Sharer, seconded by Councilor Jakino to direct staff to commence negotiations on the qualification-based proposal for professional engineering services with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., as recommended by the Contracts Administrator, and upon voice vote the motion carried unanimously.

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 7:34 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 26th day of February, 2019.

Entered in the permanent record book this 27th day of February, 2019.



Nate Duckett, Mayor

SEAL

ATTEST:



Dianne Smylie, City Clerk