

CITY OF AZTEC
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
June 22, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Victor Snover called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. Invocation (led by Mayor Victor Snover)
- B. United States Pledge of Allegiance (led by Commissioner Mark Lewis)
- C. New Mexico pledge of Allegiance (led by Commissioner Mark Lewis)

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Victor Snover; Mayor Pro-Tem Rosalynn Fry; Commissioner Austin Randall; Commissioner Mark Lewis; Commissioner Mike Padilla

Members Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Paul Eckert; City Attorney Steven Murphy; City Clerk Karla Saylor

III. Proclamation

Proclamation recognizing the month of June as LGBTQ

Mayor Snover presented a proclamation recognizing the month of June as LGBTQ. The proclamation was read by Mayor Snover and received by Therese Yanan.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

MOVED by Mayor Commissioner Randall to approve the agenda with the exception of pulling Consent Item G; SECONDED by Commissioner Lewis

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commission Workshop Minutes June 8, 2021
- B. Special Budget Resolution 2021-1229 Solid Waste
- C. Resolution 2021-1230 Inactive Utility Write Off Accounts
- D. #2021KC Kart Canon Speedway Agreement for Operation with Four Corners Kart Club
- E. Resolution 2021-1231 Urging the Residents of Aztec to Voluntarily Restrain From Using Fire Sources That Could Lead to Deadly And/Or Destructive Consequences During Periods of Significant Drought

- F. Resolution 2021-1232 of Support for the San Juan County Communication Center & EMS Excise Tax
- G. New Mexico Municipal League/New Mexico Self Insurers' Fund Joint Powers Agreement Amendment

MOVED by Commissioner Padilla to Approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item G SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five To Zero

VI. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

VII. CITIZENS INPUT (3 Minutes Maximum)

Mandy Snow voiced her concerns about the appointment of the new City Manager Paul Eckert and his past record in other City's he was employed at.

Matthew Snow voiced his concerns as well of the appointment of the new City Manager.

Nicole Hall appreciated that the pride proclamation was presented. She felt it as being such a strength and respect for our town. She is grateful to be a citizen of our community and thanked commission for passing the proclamation.

Alexis DeLaCruz applauded commission for passing the proclamation. She mentioned that this is a step forward in equal dignity and equal rights in our community.

Therese Yanan thanked commission and mentioned how much it meant to her for them presenting the proclamation to her.

VIII. BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. Final Adoption of Ordinance 2021-515 Amending Chapter 31 Water Conservation and Drought Plan

Community Development Director Steven Saavedra mentioned that this is the final adoption for the water conservation and drought plan. There have been no comments received.

MOVED by Commissioner Padilla, SECONDED by Commissioner Lewis to Approve Final Adoption 2021-515 Amending Chapter 31 Water Conservation and Drought Plan

All Voted Aye; Motion Passed Five to Zero

- B. Resolution 2021-1227 2040 Comprehensive Plan

Steven presented commission with a power point reviewing the comprehensive plan. He mentioned that the plan has 11 chapters pertaining to Community profile, land use, economic development, housing, infrastructure, transportation, parks and recreation, community services

and facilities, hazard mitigation and implementation. Steven mentioned that there was a public meeting held at 550 on June 3, 2021 and it was well attended by the community. He mentioned that this is the beginning of the city and community's efforts to implement the vision expressed in the plan and that the ultimate success of the plan will be measured by how often it is referenced and utilized by elected officials, city staff and the community at large. There was discussion among commission that they are impressed and proud by the hard work on the plan and were pleased with the turnout at the public meeting.

MOVED my Mayor Pro Tem Fry, SECONDED by Commissioner Lewis to Approve Resolution 2021-1227, which thereby approves and adopts the 2040 Comprehensive Plan & LEDA update for the City of Aztec, New Mexico

All Voted Aye; Motion Passed Five to Zero

C. Resolution 2021-1233 NMFA Planning Grant Agreement

Steven mentioned that this grant allows reimbursement of \$50,000 back to the City of Aztec for the 2040 Comprehensive & LEDA plan update. In October 2019 the City was awarded a grant to cover the plan update so this would reimburse the city for the funds.

MOVED by Commissioner Padilla, SECONDED by Commissioner Randall to Approve Resolution 2021-1233, a Planning Grant Agreement between the City of Aztec and the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA)

All Voted Aye; Motion Passed Five to Zero

D. Bid 2021-775 Aztec North Main Corridor Extension Construction Services

Finance Director Anthony Boling stated that this if for the Aztec North Main Corridor Extension Construction Services to TRC for the amount of \$2,746,236.71. He mentioned that this was awarded \$2.5 million dollars on the 2019 ICIP. Anthony broke down the project totals and reviewed the essentials that will be included in the project such as curbs, gutters, underground utilities , sidewalks, parking, street lighting, benches, and landscaping.

MOVED by Commissioner Randall, SECONDED by Commissioner Padilla to Approve Award of Bid 2021-775 Aztec North Main Corridor Extension Construction Services to TRC for the Amount of \$2,746,236.71 and allow for the City Manager as the Authorized signature for construction documents.

All Voted Aye; Motion Passed Five to Zero

IX. LAND USE HEARING

NONE

X. COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Manager Paul Eckert mentioned a couple of changes that have occurred with city documents. He mentioned that the Monthly Reports will now be posted online for citizens to view and that our city provides the whole commission agenda with details of the action items that will be on for the agenda meeting and mentioned that not many cities in the state do that. He feels that it is important that citizens are aware of all happenings within the City and the functions. Paul mentioned a couple of projects that are being worked on with one being the business walkabout with the EDAB board, Community Development and certain staff to help enhance the City and City businesses which will happen in August. Finally to develop the commission's strategic planning session which is intended to happen in September.

Commissioner Padilla recognized the Parks Department for their services in City Parks. He thanked them for the pavilion at Kokopelli Park and for going above and beyond for a job well done. He mentioned that MVD will open on July 6 with no appointments needed.

Commissioner Lewis mentioned that he is very pleased to see that the City will be moving forward with the North Main Project and is pleased that we updated the City drought plan.

Mayor Pro Tem mentioned the Pianos in the Park event on July 17 at Minium Park. She mentioned that it is all free and family friendly. She has attended EDAB and Chamber meetings and mentioned that the City Manager has been with her at the meetings and appreciates it. She mentioned the events at the museum. She mentioned that the Senior Center will open on July 6.

Mayor Snover mentioned that anytime there is an issue brought up to him he takes it very seriously. He stated that we did everything right when we hired the City Manager. We hired a firm and did all the vetting and background checks with meetings and interviews and there were questions with his background and that they dug deep into his background and nothing was left out and that they did their diligence. He mentioned that all department heads were a part of the hiring process and mentioned that it was a very inclusive process and it was very well advertised. He mentioned that the City Manager has his full support and he has his back. He is very comfortable with the decision that was made. He also mentioned that he appreciates the public sentiment and it is fully noted.

Jeff Blackburn mentioned that there could be some changes in the parks with the water shortages.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no discussion on upcoming event list.

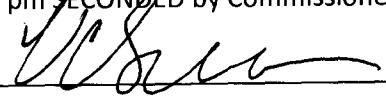
POTENTIAL FUTURE CITY COMMISSION ITEMS- (Appearing on the Agenda within 30-90 days):

Item	Commission
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	Meeting
Zone Change Request from R-1 to R-2 Multiple Family Zoning	July 13
Final Budget to DFA	July 27
Award of McWilliams Road Sewer Extension Construction Project	July 27
Award of North Main Corridor Extension construction	July
Award of Reservoir 1 Rehabilitation Design to Bohannon Huston	July/August
Award of Lower Animas Ditch Pump Replacement construction project	July/August
Aztec Reservoir Repair DFA Agreement F2294	July/August
Aztec Utility System Construction DFA Agreement F2357	July/August
Aztec Public Safety Vehicles DFA Agreement F2850	July/August
Main Ave Improvements DFA Agreement F3040	July/August
Business Walkabout	August
Commission Strategic Planning	September

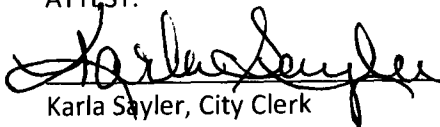
XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Snover moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 pm **SECONDED** by Commissioner Lewis



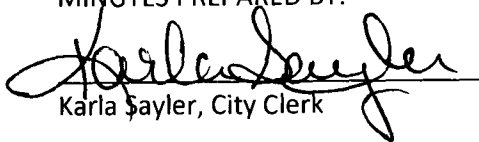
Mayor, Victor Snover

ATTEST:


Karla Saylor, City Clerk



MINUTES PREPARED BY:


Karla Saylor, City Clerk