

CITY OF AZTEC
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday September 13, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation led by Commissioner Austin Randall
United States Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Colby King
New Mexico pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Colby King

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George;
Commissioner Colby King; and Commissioner Jim Crowley;
Commissioner Austin Randall

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: Acting City Manager Chief Michael Heal; City Clerk Karla Saylor

PROCLAMATION

Constitution Week

The Proclamation was read and presented by Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. to Melynda Brenton Chapter Registrar for the Daughters of the Revolution.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Approve; SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem George

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commission Meeting Minutes August 23, 2022
- B. City Attorney Contract Renewal
- C. Lobbyist Contract

- D. Approval for the Submittal of the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Application 2023
- E. Intergovernmental Contract for Library Services & Agreement for Senior Citizen Services with San Juan County
- F. Resolution 2022-1305 Municipal Surplus
- G. Boys and Girls Club Roof Replacement Contract Approval
- H. Resolution 2021-1246 Adopting the 2024-2028 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) for the Senior Center

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Approve Consent Agenda with the exception of items C and D for further discussion; SECONDED by Commissioner King

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

Lobbyist Contract

Commissioner King asked if the contract covers issues regarding DOT or just strictly funding. Anthony Bolling mentioned the lobbyist is in Santa Fe and deals mostly with funding and contacting our legislatures. Steven Saavedra mentioned the wide array of information that the lobbyist's provide that will be instrumental to the City.

Commissioner Crowley mentioned if there is a conflicting point of view with another entity represented by the same lobbyist how are would that be addressed. Finance Director Anthony Bolling stated that they have inquired about this matter, and it would disqualify the lobbyist from testifying. City Attorney Steve Murphy suggested to AMEND the contract to state notification to the City of all potential conflicts in writing and to specifically address the DOT issue.

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem George to TABLE the Lobbyist Contract; SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

All Voted Aye; Motion Passed Five to Zero

Approval of Submittal of the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Application 2023

Mayor Pro-Tem George suggested that rather than take away an existing basketball court at Riverside Park is there a possibility of making a new pickle ball court. Ed Kotyk mentioned that it is due to funding that they decided to utilize the existing basketball court. Ed mentioned adding a new court would add \$15,000-\$20,000 more to the existing plan. Charles Dobe mentioned that the tennis courts that are being used in the City by pickle ball players are being heavily utilized.

Finance Director Anthony Bolling mentioned the current fiscal year budget for YCC is not enough to finance adding a new court but may be added to the next year's budget as the YCC

budget runs on a fiscal year. Ed Kotyk mentioned the city must match the funds provided by the YCC program to be in compliance with state requirements. City Attorney Murphy suggested researching grants that may be able to help with the financing of the project.

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem George to APPROVE as AMENDED Submittal of the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Application 2023; SECONDED by Commissioner King

All Voted Aye; Motion Passed Five to Zero

CITIZENS INPUT

DeWayne Meador 1000 S. Main came before Commission with a concern about his property's driveway. Since the commencement of the Arterial Route project, he has not had southern access to the property's driveway with a truck and trailer. He would like to work with the City to get the issue resolved so he can have southern access.

Roselyn Fry presented Commission with an update on the Painted Piano Project, they currently have painted nine pianos by nine local artists. She mentioned the help the City has given in the loading and unloading of the pianos and their appreciation. She also mentioned the upcoming pianos in the park which includes vendors, music, and family fun.

BUSINESS ITEMS

A. City Manager Hiring Process

Finance Director Anthony Bolling presented Commission with a list of staff for a hiring committee to recommend candidates for City Manager. The staff on the list have agreed to serve on the committee, also presented was a proposed timeline. Mayor Padilla mentioned approving the committee. The members will receive packets, score each candidate, and meet to discuss. He mentioned Commission could hold a workshop to discuss the candidates chosen by the committee. City Clerk Karla Saylor will hand out the packets and give the committee direction. Mayor Padilla mentioned a potential timeline of October to early November.

Chief Heal mentioned that the Interim-City Manager cannot be involved in the hiring process as he has applied for the job. City Attorney mentioned narrowing it down to three or four final candidates for the interview process.

MOVED by Mayor Padilla to APPROVE to appoint a Committee for City Manager Applications review and the schedule as Directed; SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem George

All Voted Aye; Motion passed Five to Zero

QUASI JUDICIAL HEARING

None

COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Heal mentioned the Self-Insurers fund would like to come and have a closed meeting on updates of the outstanding legal cases. They would like to come to the meeting on October 11, 2022. He mentioned interim-City Manager Jeff Blackburn asked for guidance on the matter of the County Manager, he has requested a letter from the City supporting a building extension for a county office and a Growers Market. All Commission agreed to write the letter supporting the County. He mentioned Jeff Blackburn would also like guidance on how to proceed with the MVD, Mayor Padilla mentioned giving them the opportunity to proceed as they are a service to the City.

Community Development Director Steven Saavedra mentioned that the Maverick is moving forward with all permits approved and all fees paid. He mentioned the Planning and Zoning Board was not on the agenda due to lack of members, currently there are four interested and five are needed. Steven mentioned an upcoming Senior Board meeting, Staff has been discussing their bylaws and the expectations of City and staff.

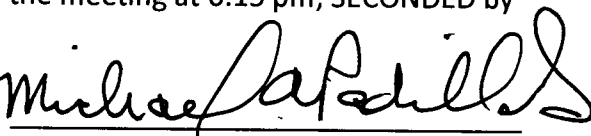
Chief Heal mentioned an upcoming meeting with Ryan Lane with current Police Chiefs and the Sheriff to talk about legislative issues for the upcoming session for law enforcement.

Mayor Padilla mentioned the Alzheimer's walk on September 24, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT


MOVED by Mayor Padilla to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 pm; SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley





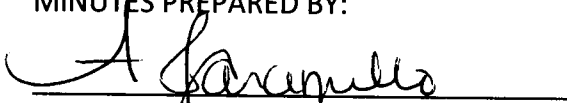
Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.

ATTEST:



Karla Sayler, City Clerk

MINUTES PREPARED BY:



Alisha Jaramillo, Administrative Assistant