

**CITY OF AZTEC  
COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday January 23, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the workshop to order at 5:00 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

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: City Manager Jeff Blackburn

A. Review of City Sign Code Chapter 20

Mayor Padilla opened the workshop for discussion on City Sign Code Chapter 20. He mentioned that the packet presented to them is the old sign code, there has been no changes as requested by Commission. He would like Community Development to mark any changes in red in the future, so they can easily recognize the changes.

Mayor Padilla turned the meeting over to the City Manager Jeff Blackburn. Jeff introduced the Vice Chair of the P&Z Board Anna Evers and The Chair David Flores. Jeff turned the meeting over to Community Development Director Andrew DiCamillo. Andrew reported that he and staff have been working on the sign code concerns that have been raised. He presented the Commission with a document that had suggestions from staff and the P&Z Board. David Flores presented the commission with a new document regarding a more comprehensive sign code which the P&Z board has been working on.

Andrew gave a few examples of things that needed to be addressed in the new Sign Code.

- Metropolitan Redevelopment Area
- Main Street Program
- North Main Area

Andrew brought up some of the issues in the current code that do not make sense,

- Applications for a yard sale sign
- Vehicle signs

Andrew would like to create a spreadsheet to make the process of obtaining a sign permit more user friendly. He would also like to do the same type of spreadsheet to reference zoning in the city. Mayor Padilla would like consistency throughout the city regarding the Sign Code, Andrew said that is what they are working on. Commissioner Crowley asked if they were going to fix the current sign code or if they would be starting

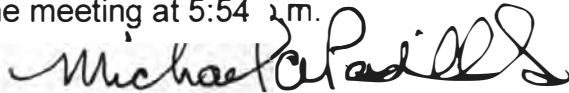
from scratch. David Flores, who created the new document informed the Commission of the issues that have arisen with the current code and how he would like to make the code easier to read. David reviewed the document that he put together and let the Commission know of the proposed changes in the new document.

There was some discussion among Department Heads as well as Commission about some of the wording regarding graffiti, they believe it needs to be defined more in the code. Jarita said they will investigate the graffiti issue more and come up with better language. Andrew would like the Commission's input and direction while they are updating codes and zoning. Mayor Padilla would like anything that they are updating to be brought to P&Z and then to the Commission to review any changes. Andrew said that they will put all the information together and present it to the Commission at another meeting.

Mayor Padilla also mentioned that they need to remove the Commissioner and Alternate who were appointed to the P&Z due to Ex-Parte communications.

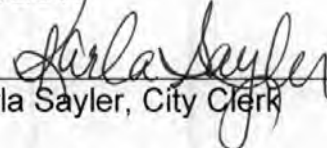
### ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Padilla to adjourn the meeting at 5:54 p.m.



Mayor Michael . Padilla Sr.

ATTEST:

  
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Karla Saylor, City Clerk

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

  
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Alisha Jaramillo