

ALAMOSA CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
ZOOM VIDEO WEBINAR
300 Hunt Avenue, Alamosa, CO
December 2, 2020

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I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Regular Meeting of the Alamosa City Council was called to order on the above date by Mayor Ty Coleman at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. ROLL CALL

Present at roll call: Mayor Ty Coleman, Councilors Kristina Daniel, Jan Vigil, Charles Griego, David Broyles, and Liz Hensley. Councilor Michael Carson previously requested to be excused. Also present: City Manager Heather Brooks, City Attorney Erich Schwiesow, and City Clerk Holly Martinez.

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilor Vigil moved, seconded by Councilor Griego to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. CITIZEN COMMENT

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A. Audience Comments

Helen Sigmond spoke in regards to requesting permission to use the tree in front of Alamosa State Bank to create a communitree.

B. Follow-Up

Council asked staff if there were any concerns of the use of the tree. Ms. Brooks confirmed that they had no concerns.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR A

The Consent Calendar allows multiple actions with one motion. Consent Calendar A contains routine items which have

been recommended for action by staff or advisory boards. Council may remove a consent calendar item for separate consideration.

Councilor Daniel moved, seconded by Councilor Vigil to approve Consent Calendar A as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

C.7.a. Approve Minutes of Meeting November 18, 2020

VI. REGULAR BUSINESS

C. Business Brought Forward by City Staff

1. City Manager/Legal

- a. Motion converting the Business 0% Interest Loans to grants.

Ms. Brooks explained the request of converting the loans to grants. Council further discussed this item.

Councilor Griego moved, seconded by Councilor Vigil to convert up to 100% or as close to as they can get the 0% interest loans to businesses impacted by COVID-19 to grants. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Committee Reports

Councilor Daniel reported on the Alamosa Housing Authority board meeting, as well as the Tree Board meeting she attended.

Councilor Broyles reported on the Senior Citizens Board meeting he attended.

E. Staff Announcements

Heather Brooks updated Council of the following:

- From a grant perspective, with the Walsh situation, they were made aware of a grant that is due tomorrow and the founder is encouraging the City to apply.
- Were also made aware of a grant opportunity through DOLA that could help with the Downtown project scheduled for next year.
- She also reminded Council of the upcoming Celebration of Lights being held this Friday and stated it will be livestreamed for the public but would like Council to be there in person.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Councilor Broyles commented in appreciation for the city and everything they are doing for its businesses.

Councilor Daniel also reported on the Homeless Coalition Board meeting she attended, and reported on the Homelessness Coalition Conference she attended.

Councilor Vigil commented congratulating Sanford High School for going to state. He also commended Captain Maestas and his group on the recent neighborhood watch meeting they held.

Councilor Griego stated that united the community can make it through this and commented on hoping the city can find a way to help the club organizations like the American Legion, Elks, and others.

Councilor Hensley echoed everyone's comments on Alamosa being a phenomenal city; and gave thanks to the first responders for going out to the Walsh fire on Thanksgiving and spending their holiday there.

Mayor Coleman also gave thanks to the first responders and stated that he is glad they are united as a Council.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Holly C. Martinez, City Clerk

Ty Coleman, Mayor

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6:00 PM - Work Session: Golf Division First Year Update

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III. AGENDA APPROVAL

Ms. Brooks requested that the executive session item be removed from the agenda as it is no longer needed. Councilor Griego moved, seconded by Councilor Hensley to approve the agenda as amended and to excuse Councilors Daniel and Carson. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. CITIZEN COMMENT

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A. Audience Comments

Glen Hodges of Advantage Treatment Centers spoke in regards to the 250 thanksgiving meal they are giving away.

Gretchen Bianca spoke in regards to the homeless population and the trash along the river.

Shanae Diaz spoke thanking the Council for their compassion.

B. Follow-Up

None.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR A

The Consent Calendar allows multiple actions with one motion. Consent Calendar A contains routine items which have been recommended for action by staff or advisory boards. Council may remove a consent calendar item for separate consideration.

Councilor Vigil moved, seconded by Councilor Griego to approve Consent Calendar B as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

C.7.a. Approve Minutes of Meeting November 4, 2020

C.8.a. Receive October 2020 Monthly Reports

VI. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Presentations from Outside Agencies

1. Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado

Lynne Telford spoke and shared with the Council the plans for a Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado. Council thanked Ms. Telford for her presentation.

B. Board/Commission Business

1. Appointment of Homeless Coalition Board Member

Holly Martinez reviewed the advisory appointment process with Council. Votes were previously sent in electronically and Council voted to appoint Ms. Elizabeth Rivera to the Homeless Coalition.

Councilor Broyles moved, seconded by Councilor Griego to appoint Ms. Elizabeth Rivera to the Homeless Coalition as the Veteran representative. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Business Brought Forward by City Staff

1. City Manager/Legal

a. Motion naming the homeless campsite *St. Benedict Camp for the Homeless*

Ms. Brooks provided information to Council.

Councilor Griego moved, seconded by Councilor Hensley to adopt the name *St. Benedict Camp for the Homeless* as the official name for the homeless campsite. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Motion authorizing the creation of a COVID-19 Utility Assistance Program

Ms. Brooks provided information to Council in regards to the creation and need of a COVID-19 Utility Assistance Program.

Councilor Hensley moved, seconded by Councilor Griego to authorize the creation of a COVID-19 Utility Assistance Program. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Committee Reports

Councilor Vigil reported on the library board meeting he attended.

E. Staff Announcements

Heather Brooks updated Council on the following:

- Dawn Honeycutt contacted the City in regards to the annual Parade of Lights celebration.
- Reminded Council of the Ribbon Cutting for the Recycling Center this Friday.
- Updated them on the conversations and progress with the Dumb Friends League and the master contract for others in the valley to subcontract with the City of Alamosa.

Harry Reynolds spoke in regards to the recycling center and the ribbon cutting. He also gave Council an update on the Craft water tower.

Chief Anderson gave Council a brief update regarding the ongoing investigation case.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Mayor Coleman thanked Councilor Griego and all for the Veteran's Day Parade. He also thanked Mayor Pro Tem Vigil for running the meeting, and gave thanks to the Public Works Department, Police Department, and the Parks & Recreation department and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilor Griego commented on the successful parade and thanked Heather and the health department for their help and made the comment that these things are safely possible still.

Councilor Vigil asked Heather to check on the following streets: 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th between State and La Due. He also commented on the recycling center's new set up and encouraged everyone to shop local.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

This item was removed from the agenda.

1. Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(1) to discuss acquisition of certain property tax liens.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Holly C. Martinez, City Clerk

Ty Coleman, Mayor