

ALAMOSA CITY COUNCIL

Wednesday August 6, 2014
Minutes of the Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Alamosa City Council was called to order on the above date by Mayor Josef Lucero at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present at roll call: Mayor Lucero, Councilors Greg Gillaspie, Jan Vigil, Rusty Johnson, Charles Griego, Ty Coleman and Michael Stefano. A quorum was declared. Also present: sitting in for City Manager, Finance Director Amanda McDonald, City Attorney Erich Schwiesow, and City Clerk Kristi Duarte.

AGENDA APPROVAL. It was moved by Councilor Griego and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENT

A. Audience Comments.

Ron Brink of Alamosa spoke in regard to cell towers in the City.

Jarod Smith of Alamosa County spoke about the need for additional education and awareness among citizens regarding the use of service animals for veterans.

B. Follow-Up. Councilor Griego spoke in favor of supporting the veterans.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

A. Proclamation, National Heath Center Week

Council presented the Proclamation to Dr. Phillip Mendoza of Valley Wide Heath Services.

CONSENT CALENDAR A. It was moved by Councilor Vigil and seconded by Councilor Coleman to approve Consent Calendar A as presented. The motion carried unanimously. Items:

C. 7. a. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting, July 16, 2014

C. 7. b. Approve Minutes of Special Meeting, July 30, 2014

REGULAR BUSINESS

C. Business Brought Forward by City Staff

1. Public Works

a. Viaero Wireless Request for Permitted Use by Special Review, Lots 18-20, Lakeview subdivision, Railroad Avenue.

Mr. Steenburg discussed the application submitted by Viaero Wireless for their request for permitted use. Mr. Steenburg requested that Council deny the request for permitted use by special review for the installation of a 120' tall open lattice style telecommunication tower and associated facilities per the Planning Commission's recommendation.

Representatives of Viaero Wireless were present for the meeting and were allowed to present information regarding the proposed tower.

Mr. Frankie Romeo, adjacent property owner to where the proposed tower will be, spoke in favor of the application.

It was moved by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Stefano to deny the Request for Special Review, Lots 18-20, Lakeview subdivision, Railroad Avenue as presented. Motion was not passed, 5 to 2, with Mayor Lucero and Councilor Johnson voting yes.

It was moved by Councilor Griego and seconded by Councilor Gillaspie to have this request referred back to Staff for follow up and further consideration and recommendations from Staff and the Planning Commission. Motion carried with 6 to 1, with Councilor Johnson voting no.

b. Resolution No. 10, 2014 - Annexation Petition, Stacey Foote

It was moved by Councilor Griego and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve Resolution No. 10, 2014, approving the annexation petition. The motion carried unanimously.

3. City Clerk/Municipal Court

- a. First Reading, Ordinance No. 10, 2014, An Ordinance approving an intergovernmental agreement with Alamosa County for conduct of the November 4, 2014 coordinated election for a special improvement district.

It was moved by Councilor Gillaspie, seconded by Councilor Vigil, to approve Ordinance No. 10, 2014, on first reading and set it for public hearing thereon on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. The motion carried unanimously.

8. City Manager/Legal

- a. Public Hearing, Ordinance No. 9, 2014, An Ordinance establishing a temporary moratorium to the submission, acceptance, processing and approval of any new special use applications for the operation of telecommunications facilities within the City of Alamosa until after November 30, 2014, and declaring the City's intention to consider the development of appropriate regulations for the issuance of such permits.

Mayor Lucero opened the Public Hearing at 9:08 p.m. and asked for those wishing to speak on this matter.

There being no one wishing to speak, the hearing closed at 9:09 p.m.

Councilor Griego moved, seconded by Councilor Stefano that Ordinance No. 9, 2014 be finally adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Committee Reports

Councilor Coleman reported on the SLV DRG board.

Councilor Vigil reported on the Alamosa School Board.

Councilor Gillaspie reported on the Golf Board.

F. Staff Announcements

Heinz Bergann advised that there will be a public meeting at the Recreation Center on August 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. regarding the Hockey Program. He also advised that the fall/winter programs at the Recreation Center are underway.

Amanda McDonald presented Council with an updated spreadsheet with the amount of in-kind services (\$89,000) that was provided in 2013.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Mayor Lucero and Councilor Coleman commented on the Beat the Heat BBQ event and the turnout was very good.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to CRS 24-6-402 (4)(f) to discuss personnel matters relating to the City Manager's Evaluation.

It was moved by Councilor Griego and seconded by Councilor Johnson to enter into Executive Session at 9:21 p.m. pursuant to CRS 24-6-402 (4)(f) to discuss personnel matters relating to the City Manager's Evaluation. The motion carried unanimously.

When back in regular session, Mayor Lucero confirmed that the Executive Session was held solely for the stated purpose.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting adjourned immediately following the Executive Session.

Kristi Duarte, City Clerk

Josef P. Lucero, Mayor