

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 3, 2017

6:00 p.m.

Mayor Jerah Cordova called the Regular Meeting of the Belen City council to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call taken by Leona Vigil, City Manager.

PRESENT: Councilor Frank Ortega
Mayor Pro-Tem Darleen Aragon
Mayor Jerah Cordova
Councilor Wayne Gallegos

ABSENT: Councilor David Carter
Charlotte Jaramillo

CITY MANAGER: Leona Vigil

REPORTER: Clara Garcia, VC News Bulletin

OTHERS: See attached Sign-in Sheet

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jerah Cordova led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Jerah Cordova commented that the public comment portion of the meeting will be extended. Mayor Cordova asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilor Gallegos motioned to approve. Second from Councilor Aragon.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	Motioned Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for an approval of the minutes. Councilor Ortega motioned to table the December 16 and 19, 2016 minutes due to them not being sent to Council sooner. Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Aragon seconds the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	Motioned Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Pate, Molzen Corbin – The new fire station will be built on 5th and Castillo. The current fire department will be fully operational until the construction of the new one is complete.

John went over the Professional Services Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and made an integral part of these minutes by reference. John explained that this is a full design services contract which includes a charging 8% fee, plus GRTs. He mentioned that there is a Drainage Master Plan item which is a 4,000-dollar item. Assist in furniture selection.

Money for construction 3,397,000.00. are we within budget. They are doing everything they can to stay under the 4-million-dollar budget.

John reported that the Food Pantry will not have access to the back of their building during construction. Councilor Gallegos stated that he had already told the Food Pantry that they would not be affect. Councilor Gallegos asked Mr. Pate to do what he could to see that the Food Pantry remains their access. John will

John mentioned that the power panel behind the police station had to be moved a piece of the building will have to be torn down. Mayor Cordova asked John to include that in the agreement.

Councilor Ortega will ask the Schools if they can use their facilities to help the Food Pantry out.

John reported that they will have a final meeting on the 23rd. Open bids on March 14th and advertise on February 7th.

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

Ashley went over her Auction Listing, a copy is attached hereto and made an integral part of these minutes by reference.

Aragon approved except for the table.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for an approval of the Auction Listing. Councilor Aragon motioned to approve without the table in lobby area. Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Gallegos seconds the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	Motioned Carried

PUBLIC HEARING WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

Approval or Disapproval of the Wastewater Loan Project Ordinance 2017-01 (East Ross/Campana)

Approval or Disapproval of a Resolution Authorizing the Assignment of Official Representatives and Signatory Authorities for the Wastewater Project Loan. Douglas Albin

Packet from NMED. Four main components. Ordinance, Resolution, Intergovernmental agreement Promissory Note.

Applied for loan and received a letter that said that we have been offered the loan. October 12th, to say yes or no. The City wants the loan.

Campana/Ross sewer and road project. Gallegos, I am sure we are going to want to do the water lines. Roseann said it will be \$100,000. Roseann said if it is up to \$125,000 we will be ok.

Mayor asked for a scope: replacing the existing sewer line, 2100 feet of sewer line. 40 sewer connections, 3 manholes rehabilitation and 3 new manholes, and repave the entire road. \$915,000 plus tax. 140,000 contingencies. \$704,000 plus tax.

Task order doesn't include water. He will revise to add water and cost estimate.

Existing water line will be abandoned and not moved.

Mayor would like to add sidewalk if monies are available.

Steve Ethridge: How deep. Less than 6 feet. What if we find an illegal tap? Gallegos answered send them to the police.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for an approval of the Ordinance, Resolution, Intergovernmental Agreement and Promissory Note. Councilor Gallegos motioned to approve. Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Ortega seconds the motion. He wants to put on the records that our finance director is ok with this.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	Motioned Carried

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. City Manager's Report-In audible report via video. No recordings available for reference.

Communications from the City Council

Councilor Aragon- got a call from a citizen at Mesa/Camino del Llano due to the Holidays Waste Management informed that the roads were bad. Sach's 5th Auction at 5:30 Pm invited to the Chamber Afterhours, January 4th, 2017.

Councilor Ortega- Bugg Lights MLK fundraiser. Bugg Lights looked really nice. Max Cordova's nephew, Brad Cordova will be in the January 10th edition of Forbes Magazine. VA Memorial start on the project.

Councilor Gallegos- commented on the City Hall painting and carpet. Citizens as well as employees are getting tired of the disorganization, need to finish the project up and finalize. Nice to see projects happening as long as finance approves.

Mayor Cordova- Enjoyed holidays. Conference call with Governor today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to adjourn tonight's Regular Council Meeting. Councilor Ortega motioned to adjourn. Councilor Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes

Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes Motioned Carried

Jerah Cordova, Mayor

Leona Vigil, City Manager