

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**June 15, 2015**

**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 Clerk.

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

**CITY MANAGER:** Jay Ruybalid

**CITY CLERK, CMC:** Leona Vigil

**CITY ATTORNEY:** Charles Rennick

**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 asked for approval of tonight’s agenda. Councilor Wayne Gallegos made a motion to approve the agenda. Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Frank Ortega seconds the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega Yes  
Councilor David Carter Yes  
Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes  
Councilor Darleen Aragon Yes Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for an approval of the Minutes dated June 1, 2015. Councilor Frank Ortega moved to approve the Minutes. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega Yes  
Councilor David Carter Yes  
Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes  
Councilor Darleen Aragon Yes Motion Carried

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Gloria Sanchez**, volunteer with the City of Belen, reported that the wall at the 9/11 Memorial Park was restuccoed and surveillance cameras have been installed. She thanked everyone who has supported and helped with the Park. She reported that there are still things to do at the park; the sign that support first responders needs to be replaced, the grounds need more crushed rock, and she would like to see a New Mexico flag next to the U.S. Flag. She stated that she will look into getting these things done. She stated that she is proud of the brochure that she and Manny put together. She thanked Chief Robb for his Coffee with the Chief; it was a great

to meet in a casual manner. She added that the Chief was able to address her issue with speeders next to the Walking Trail on Mesa Rd.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked if there was anyone with public comments. There were no more public comments at this time and Mayor Cordova closed this portion of the meeting.

## **PRESENTATION**

### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Dan Robb, Police Chief**

Jay advised the Council that he will be having the Department Heads give a presentation to the Council bi-annually. Chief Robb reported that they hired a Code Enforcement Officer, Dwayne Pena. Chief Robb informed the Council that Mr. Pena started today, and at one time Dwayne's dad was the City Manager here. They have hired 3 new officers; Damian Rivera whom transferred from the Fire Department and Sabrina Chavez who is originally from Valencia County; also, Steven Garcia, his family is from Belen. He reminded the Council that the department did get reaccredited a couple of months ago. Chief Robb has had a goal to have a Traffic Officer for the Department. During the first part of this year, he hired a part time individual to do traffic, writing citations and investigating crashes. Now that the three new hires finished the academy, he will start the Traffic Officer full time. Chief Robb added that another officer will start June 29; he will go to the academy August 3<sup>rd</sup>. They will be fully staffed at that point. He is moving forward with placing computers in the cars. He reported that this morning, an individual with a drug problem, exclaimed he wanted to go to jail and intentionally ran in to police cars that were parked at the Station. One car was totaled and the other had \$5,600 worth of damage. He handed out his statistics from January to May. He stated that for the most part things are down, but there was a big increase in DWIs. He informed the Council that the Traffic Officer is making a lot of DWI arrests and other officers are taking his lead. They have already doubled the amount of DWI arrest this year.

### **ISO PRESENTATION: Manny Garcia, Fire Chief**

Fire Chief Manny Garcia proudly announced that Belen Fire Department is now a Class IV. He mentioned that this positively impacts everyone that lives and conducts business in Belen. Once the results are officially published, they will see lower fire insurance premiums. Out of 100 possible points, the community garnered 63.44 points and earned an additional 4.59 out of 5.5 points of extra credit. The extra credit came from the community risk reduction programs that they have; such as, Fire Prevention, Code Enforcement, fire related Ordinances, Children's Fire Safety Education and their Fire Investigation Program. He explained that insurance companies across the country use the Public Protection Classification, PPC information for insurance underwriting for homeowner and commercial fire insurance. Chief Garcia informed the Council that the last rating was done in 2004 and received a Class V from a class VI. Belen is one of only 6,115 communities around the Country that have a class IV and second to have one in Valencia County. He explained that the survey is based on three categories. The first one is how emergencies are received and dispatched to the Fire Department, the community's water supply and metered fire flow, and fire department operations as a whole. In section one; they received 8.28 out of 10. Section two, Water supply and flow 32.76 out of 40.00. Section three, Fire Department Operations 24.42 out of 50, which had to do with personnel and equipment. He reiterated that they received the extra credit. He stated that they need to look at opportunities for help to strengthen their career staffing and continue improvement in the water system by replacing old water lines and old fire hydrants. He hopes this goes to shows everyone what kind of Fire Department they have. As he understands from the State Fire Marshal, with the 2013 revised rating scale the City may face another community survey within 5 years instead of every 10.

Councilor Gallegos agreed with Chief Garcia, that we are not settling, and we will work towards the best. He thanked Chief Garcia for all that he and his staff have done. Councilor Gallegos informed the public that the gallons per minute rating for the City has dropped, and one of the reason is because we are getting rid of the empty older buildings.

Councilor Ortega congratulated Chief Garcia on the fire rating. He asked how recruitment was going. Chief answered not as well as they want it to be. Councilor Ortega mentioned that with this ISO rating, fire funding will increase as well.

The rest of the City Council also congratulated Chief Garcia on a job well done.

**ASSET INVENTORY: Roseann Peralta, Finance Director**

Roseann informed the Council that according to Audit Rule 2.2.2.10 every year the City needs to have an annual inventory asset on all of its buildings, equipment and vehicles. She reported that this year, with the help of Councilor Ortega, she was able to receive an inventory listing from each department. She mentioned that the inventory helped the City out with its insurance. She informed the Council that she is lacking information on the infrastructure inventory, but they are finding ways to take care of that. She informed the Council that her next step is to input all the data in the computer. Councilor Gallegos stressed that asset inventory is important for Capital Outlay and audit purposes. Roseann believes that a lot of the infrastructure information will be coming from our engineers and properties should be coming from the City's insurance agent. Mayor Cordova asked if the City had software to enter the inventory. Roseann answered that the City has Asset Inventory Software for larger items, and they can probably do the smaller items on an Excel Spreadsheet.

**ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE: Carolyn Houston**

She handed out packets to go along with her presentation. She thanked Councilor Ortega and Senator Sanchez for putting in protection for descendants. Ms. Houston gave an informative presentation on Accident Reconstruction and a summary of her son's death that occurred on First Street. Details of the presentation can be found in previous minutes where Ms. Houston presented to the Council. She is once again requesting that the City Council pass a reconstruction ordinance.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**A PETITION TO REINSTATE THE CITY'S EMERGENCY SIREN: Jay Ruybalid, City Manager**

Jay advised the Council that this petition has already come before them. Jay thought it would be a good idea to open the issue for public participation. Mayor Jerah Cordova asked if there was anybody from the public that wanted to speak for or against this issue.

**Chief Manny Garcia, Fire Chief and Citizen** stated there is enough noise in this town. Chief Garcia believes that the petition was written to mislead the public. Chief Garcia reported that the siren does work, and it has been used in the past to warn for severe weather. He does not feel the need to attune the public to the sound. When they hear it, there is a real severe emergency. He stated that the News Bulletin reported that the siren hadn't been used since 2004. However, they used it in 2006 when the City was impacted with the one hundred year flood. Chief Garcia stated that on occasion they will flip the switch for a short second or two to make sure of its operation. He played a video of the test he performed on Thursday June 11th at 2:00 pm to prove that it works. He mentioned that the siren was used years ago for local curfew and to alert Belen Volunteer Fire Fighters of a fire. Chief Garcia stressed, to sound the siren everyday is too excessive. He stated that if the Council decides that sounding the siren is needed, required or essential to the City then maybe it can be tested once a month. He also stressed that education and awareness will have to be a priority to inform the public to avoid emergency and 9/11 calls. Chief Garcia suggested if the petitioner is set on having the siren go off, maybe the services can be donated so that tax payer's money is not used for this project.

A gentleman from the public seconds that, from his chair.

**Steve Ethridge, Petitioner:** He stressed that 616 people would disagree with the Fire Chief at this point. "It's kind of a time machine too". "Forgive us for wanting to relive a little bit of history". He doesn't see any harm in it.

**Councilor Gallegos:** He asked Chief Garcia to advise the audience, under the Emergency Operation Plan for the City, what is the purpose for the siren, how many times, and when should it go off. Councilor Gallegos also

asked him to notify the audience when the last time the siren was tested. Chief Garcia reported that the last time it was tested was last week. He informed the audience that the purpose for the siren is communication and warning, but the County does not have a siren, so other types of communication are used as well. He further informed the audience that the siren is used when there is flooding; a flood is 1" per hour, microburst or a hazard material incident.

**Councilor Aragon:** She asked where individuals would go to find out what the emergency is. Chief Garcia answered, according to the Plan, radio and television would be the primary method of public information.

**Chief Dan Robb:** He reminded everyone that the City pays for Parlant to send out notices and warnings to the public.

**Councilor Gallegos:** He mentioned that emergency preparedness needs to be stepped up on how to notify the public.

**Kathy Peoples, Firefighter:** She suggested being cautious on the amount of times the siren is tested. She stressed that there are a lot of veterans out there with PTSD and when that siren goes off it sets them off. She informed the Council that there was an elderly gentleman from World War II and every time the siren went off, he went off.

**Councilor Ortega:** He does not believe the petitioner's intent was to blast the siren every day. He added that we have to be considerate of the Vets. He agrees with Councilor Gallegos that we have to prepare ourselves for emergencies.

#### **DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION**

#### **APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE NM DOT STATE AVIATION GRANT APPLICATION FOR A PROPOSED FUEL FARM: MIKE PROVINE, MOLZEN & CORBIN**

Jay prefaced that at the budget hearings, Robert Uecker had the idea of having a fuel station up at the Airport. His recommendation to the Mayor and Council, at that time, was to utilize any revenue that was received from the potential Kirtland Air Force Base Project to pay for a fuel station. Councilor Gallegos had suggested that if the bids came in lower for the construction of the runway we could use those monies. Unfortunately, the bids came in higher than anticipated. However, thanks to the support of Senator Michael Sanchez, there is \$110,000 in Capital Outlay monies that the City applied for to help with the match of the airport runway.

Robert Uecker thanked the Council and Senator Sanchez for their consideration of the new runway.

Mike Provine reiterated what Jay said earlier. The City considered pursuing the fuel farm. The crosswind bid came in higher than expected. The City has been putting money aside for the crosswind runway. It is roughly \$550,000 for a match of a \$5,000,000 grant from State Aviation. Recently, with the Capital Outlay Special Session, the City had applied for Capital Outlay to assist with the match for the crosswind runway. However, during the regular session the capital outlay was in jeopardy; the City went on with their own funds, and now it appears that there is a line item for \$110,000 for the runway that could now be used for this project. Mike reported that FAA has approached the City. FAA has programmed in their budget this fuel farm. Mike stated that this is unusual; it is only the second time that they have offered to fund a fuel farm. He further reported that FAA is happy with the maintenance and upkeep of the airport, and they felt that it was a good project. This will allow the City to offer fuel sales on credit card systems 24 hours a day.

Mike reported that the Project could cost up to 630,000. He explained that there are different levels of fuel farms. 90% of the funding will come from FAA, 5% will come from State Aviation and 5% match will come from the City. The 5% match from the City is roughly \$32,000 with 110,000 relief from the State Capital Outlay.

Mike pointed out that the Capital Outlay Bill has not been signed yet, so until that is done they do not recommend that the City move forward. He is asking that the Mayor and Council consider the approval of preparing a grant application to the State for the 5% match, so they can get it submitted so that the project can be designed and out for bid. FAA's funding cycle ends September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Councilor Ortega asked if the fuel station will affect the Fire Department in any way. He asked if they have to have somebody on call in case of accidents or fire. Mike explained that the airport currently has fuel that is in trucks. He explained that this would be a new fuel farm that is up to code. He added that there will be risk, but a less risk of what the airport has now. Councilor Ortega mentioned that there is a sub-station out there now and asked if it was manned. Fire Chief Garcia answered that that station is manned when they are called to respond to that station. The response time is 5-10 minutes and the volunteers come from Belen. The sub-station does not have anyone there 24 hours a day, but the response is available. Councilor Ortega asked if that will change with a fuel farm. Chief Garcia answered that he will have to become familiar with the tanks; it may require a sprinkler system of some kind to give them time to get there in an emergency and possibly external containment.

Roseann informed the Council that on Friday, she had a meeting with the City's insurance agent and he advised her that the City's insurance rating will not go up. Mike advised the Council that the fuel farm comes with leak protection on the tank and dispenser.

Mike informed the Council that they are requesting that the City approve the preparation of the State Grant for 5% of the total cost, which is the coincidentally for engineering fees. They will come back to the Council for approval of the FAA grant.

Councilor Gallegos mentioned that the only cost not included is the fuel itself.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Wayne Gallegos approved the preparation of the grant application to proceed with the fuel farm needed at the airport. Councilor Frank Ortega seconds the motion.

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT RESOLUTION: Roseann Peralta, Finance Director**

She reminded everyone that June 30<sup>th</sup> is the last day of the fiscal year. She went over the budget adjustments that are based off of May's financial report. She informed the Council that the adjustments are mostly to increase actuals and GRTs. She also adjusted the small cities grant that she had budgeted for because it came in less.

Councilor Gallegos asked what the increase to actuals were, and are they within the realm of our budget for the year. Roseann answered yes, and with the increase to the GRTs that she received in December helped out. She reported as of May, revenues over expenditures are at 348,00.

Councilor Carter mentioned some bonds that were almost up for retirement. She replied, yes and she is thinking of paying off some debt with those bonds. Councilor Carter noticed that the Small Cities Assistance is down 38.2, and asked what the reason was. Roseann answered that Small Cities Assistance is based off of GRTs; we collected more GRTs this year, so they cut back.

Councilor Ortega thanked everyone for shopping in Belen.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor David Carter motioned to approve. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY SERVICES POLICY: Jay Ruybalid, City Manager**

Jay informed the Council that after talking to Councilor Ortega, Councilor Gallegos and the Mayor, they concurred that the City Manager would negotiate MOUs under a certain amount to save time of the Council. Jay mentioned that \$20,000 was the amount that was thrown out, but he stated that it is up to the Council. Councilor Ortega believes this would expedite the work, but he thinks it should be lowered to 5,000. The Council agreed with the 5,000 limit.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Frank Ortega motioned to accept with the change from 20,000 to 5,000. Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE LED SIGN MOU: Jay Ruybalid, City Manager**

A copy of the MOU is attached hereto and made an integral part of these minutes by reference. Jay reminded the Council that a few meetings back, Ms. Good from the Community Health Council came to talk about the grant application for a LED sign. He reported that the grant amount came in lower than anticipated, and Ms. Good removed some entities that were going to receive one of the signs. He announced that the City of Belen was not taken out. He informed the Council that it is a 3 X 8 ft sign.

Ms. Good reported that she and Jay have completed negotiations. She reported that because her budget was cut, she added language to number 4 that states the City *may* help with running cable to the signs.

Councilor Carter realizes that the Community Health Council has control of what goes on the sign. He asked if public announcements, such as "Football Championships Game" can go on the sign. She answered that it will go to a vote every time. She envisioned that it would go for vote by email to make a quick turnaround. She is thinking the vote can be done in a couple of days. She reported that there are seven individuals on the Board.

Councilor Wayne Gallegos pointed out that there is a 30 day cancellation provision in the agreement. Councilor Aragon asked who the point of contact is. Ms. Good answered, that would be her. Ms. Good explained there is a formula on how the sign will read, and how big the letters will be. Mayor Cordova asked what if the board/sign was to become obsolete. Ms. Good answered that it is the City's.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Wayne Gallegos made a motion to approve the MOU. Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Darleen Aragon seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
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Councilor David Carter      Yes  
Councilor Wayne Gallegos    Yes  
Councilor Darleen Aragon    Yes    Motion Carried

## **DISCUSSION**

### **THE POSSIBILITY OF PLACING A VETERAN’S MEMORIAL AT EAGLE PARK: Eric L. Green**

Eric L. Green informed the council that Senator Sanchez asked the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) to come up with a plan for a memorial. He has a scale model of the proposed memorial; it’s 66 feet deep and 90 feet wide. He advised the Council that the memorial would be to honor all fallen vets since the Civil War. There is enough room for 1,860 names on there, without changing the structure. The center of the star faces the unknown tomb in Washington DC. They would like to place the memorial at Eagle Park between the interstate and the Soccer Field. DAV is asking the City if they can use the land to put the memorial there. He advised the Council that the funding would come from donations, the City would give the land and fundraisers would be held.

Senator Michael Sanchez informed the Council that he was invited to be with DAV last year. He informed the Council that he has always wondered why Belen doesn’t have a memorial park. He proposed the idea to DAV and asked them to prepare a design to present to the City Council and Mayor for approval. Senator Sanchez believes that Eagle Park will fit perfectly. He stressed that there are a lot of veterans in our area that need to be recognized. The only thing he would ask is that when we have the Memorial Service, that it not be at the same time as the other ones. He informed the Council that they are going to ask for donations from the business community, from the City and he is also going to ask the State Legislature for some Capital Outlay. Mr. Green advised the Council that there is a Red Horse Unit that has been established, and he is going to ask them to do some of the heavy work. Red Horse is a combat engineer squadron, and he is a retired civil combat engineer.

Mr. Green’s father stressed that he is a very proud father, and asked for some weed control and electricity at the old pelican. (Mr. Green’s father volunteers to upkeep the pelican “doodle bug”)

### **AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING ORDINANCE: Jerah Cordova, Mayor**

Mayor Cordova reported that there has been a slight increase of transits in Belen, and they want to be sure they are keeping residents as safe as possible. A copy of the proposed ordinance is attached hereto and made an integral part of these minutes by reference. Mayor Cordova mentioned that the ordinance will regulate any panhandling that is aggressive, and is specifically defined. Mayor Cordova stated that according to the constitution everybody has the right to stand on a street corner, hold a sign, and speak. ‘We have to be careful not to violate those constitutional rights, but at the same time ensure the safety of the public’. Councilor Carter asked what about panhandlers at Wal-Mart. Police Chief Dan Robb answered that Wal-Mart would have to call the police and report the panhandling. Mayor Cordova stated that his understanding is that this ordinance can only be enforced on private property, if the property owner prohibits the activity.

Councilor David Carter asked if the ordinance defines the difference panhandling and the Salvation Army or Girl Scouts. Chief Robb replied that the Salvation Army is on private property and they get permission from the owner or manager.

Councilor Ortega mentioned that the reason this was brought up, wasn’t so much that we were trying to violate their rights, but because juveniles were parked in the parking lot and then came out to the street where the street light was to ask for money. “The concern was on the juveniles who were between 4 and 6 years old”. Chief Robb stated if it is regarding juveniles and they are in danger, they would need to be notified so that they can take appropriate action. Councilor Ortega suggested that we add an age limit to the ordinance.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Jay Ruybalid went over a copy of his report to the Council earlier. He mentioned that he received requests from various citizens to speak longer on his City Managers report. He received a quote of \$3,000 to remove the satellite dishes. The Eagle Water Tank ribbon cutting will be towards the end of June, according to Dale. They have completed Parks Phase I, Phase II will be next year. John Best will be doing the engineering survey for the work to be done on Orchard. He received a letter informing him that there is no MAP funding for 2015 2016. The Salary Study is pretty much completed for the Library and Public Works; a report should be ready for the next Council Meeting. The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Application has been submitted for the meter readings. If funding is not approved for the drilling of Well #5, the City will self-fund it. The round-about is being worked on at Christopher Rd. They are hoping to get light poles on Aragon Bridge in July; they are looking at 6 light poles at \$10,000 for each. The Old Community Center is ready for a new tenant. Valene created a News Letter and it will go out in the water bills. He worked on a grant application for a regional economic development plan; we are a finalist for that grant. He met with Heidi who is on contract at UNM; he mentioned that asset management is not only what you have, but the condition, how long it will last, and how will it will be replaced.

Councilor Carter asked Jay to check on the spraying at Anna Becker Park which host the school summer lunch. Councilor Ortega asked about the speed hump request on Desoto. Mayor Cordova answered that it will be going to P & Z for approval. Jay advised the Council that the speed humps on East Ross will be repaired tomorrow.

## **COMMUNICATION FROM CITY COUNCIL**

**Councilor Darleen Aragon:** On June 8<sup>th</sup> she went to Rio Rancho for a LEDA funding meeting. The Corazon de Belen Park now has bike rack and a trash can. They ordered a concrete bench for the Pak which will say thank you to PNM for the Power Up Grants and a special dedication to Dubra K. Padilla and Trinnie "Pito Pito" Baca. She reported that Los Lunas Chamber of Commerce is closed until further notice, and their Summer Fest was cancelled. On behalf of the Chamber, she is thankful for a supportive community (mom and pops businesses).

**Councilor Wayne Gallegos:** He has been communicating with Mike Moreno and the Housing Authority on the 513 building. On the 9<sup>th</sup> he met with Housing Authority in Socorro on some issues; they appointed him to the Board. He, Mike Moreno and Wayne Abraham from UNM, on the 11<sup>th</sup>, took a field trip to the Armory to check on the status of the building; they will be calling the building "The Armory". Leona met with Robyn and Mary Ann to amend their contracts. He would like to start businesses in the Armory building along with training for other businesses, and is hoping for a good Comprehensive Plan for that building. He thanked Councilor Ortega for the Clean-up he put together on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Councilor David Carter:** On the 6<sup>th</sup> of June, Belen Schools hosted the bus driving championship. This is the second year in the row their bus driver is State Champion and four years in a row Belen is State Champion. He had a Follow the Star Meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup>. He participated in the Park Clean Up on Friday the 12<sup>th</sup>. He spoke to community members on road repairs and they were talking about Orchard Rd. The Belen Schools provided transportation from the Railrunner and back to a group of 100 people; they came to tour the Harvey House. There is a Special School Board meeting tomorrow night at 5:00 and they should have a new Superintendent.

**Councilor Frank Ortega:** He thanked Councilor Gallegos and Councilor Carter and his son for their help with the Carter Park Clean-Up. He also thanked the Schools for the use of their equipment. They are planning to paint some large rocks to place the name Carter Park. He is still waiting for a waiver referencing the Aragon Properties. The power for the lighting on the bridge will come from the transformer from the utility poll. He reminded everyone that the Park still needs to be maintained. The extra traffic along with the buses tore up Orchard Road, but Dale's crew filled a lot of the pot holes and graded the road. He asked if Orchard Rd is in City limits or in County limits. Mayor Cordova answered that any property on the asphalt on Orchard Road is

county. He met with constituents in regards to the speed bumps on East Ross which will be taken care of tomorrow. He announced the recycling center reopening on south Main St; Alliance recycling is back in operation. He enjoyed the article regarding the Food Pantry break in. He had some concerns with the carnival that was held here last week; there was no parking. He would like to see it moved to Eagle Park. He mentioned that there was an accident on Main Street, because the driver was paying attention to the carnival. Councilor Aragon said as part of being the president of Main Street, her only issue is that they try and bring activities to downtown so that businesses will benefit. Mayor Cordova stated that he would like to see it stay downtown; he had reports from businesses that did see an increase in customers.

**Mayor Jerah Cordova:** On June 4<sup>th</sup>, he met with Charles to discuss the hospital issue; it is in a holding pattern until the law suit is completed. On June 5<sup>th</sup>, he and Jay had a lunch meeting with Los Lunas Mayor Griego to discuss different issues in Valencia County. He met with Mike Moreno in regards to the Armory. On June 6<sup>th</sup>, he joined eight different Mayors for bowling to support ARCA, an organization dedicated to helping people with disabilities; people donate certain amounts of money for every strike. On the 13<sup>th</sup> he participated in a constituent meeting; they are happy with the progress, but they did complain about sewer smell on 10<sup>th</sup> and Castillo.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### **AN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LIMITED PERSONNEL MATTER AS PERMITTED IN THE OPEN MEETING ACT; SECTION 10-15-1 (H-2)**

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Councilor Wayne Gallegos so moved. Councilor Frank Ortega seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	Motion Carried

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to return to an open meeting from a closed meeting. Councilor Wayne Gallegos so moved. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Frank Ortega seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	Motion Carried

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion that discussion was limited to personnel matters and no action was taken. Councilor David Carter so moved. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	Motion Carried

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

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

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
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Councilor David Carter      Yes  
Councilor Wayne Gallegos    Yes  
Councilor Darleen Aragon    Yes    Motion Carried

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne Gallegos, Mayor Pro Tem

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Leona Vigil, City Clerk, CMC