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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 15, 2019

1. Mayor Ore called the regular meeting of the Florence City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll call	-	Mayor Ore	-	Present
		Councilman Baker	-	Present
		Councilman Vendetti	-	Present
		Councilman Upton	-	Present
		Councilman Villagrana	-	Present
		Councilman Knisley	-	Present

Others present – City Manager Mike Patterson, Public Works Director Sam Elstun, City Clerk Tammy Kibler, Police Chief Mike DeLaurentis, City Attorney Matt Krob, Finance Officer Lori Cobler, Planning Director Wade Broadhead, and Water Superintendent Brandon Harris

3. Visitors

a. Scheduled Public Appearances

1. Hans Prah, Florence Brewing Company LLC regarding modifying liquor license to include an outside patio on the East side of the building from 05/01/19 until 10/30/19. Mr. Prah stated that this is the 5th time he has asked for an outdoor patio approval. He has researched and provided blueprints to the Council. Mr. Prah feels that the patio will increase business. He is asking to temporarily close four (4) parking spaces. Kristen Espinoza feels that there would be parking issues.

The following people spoke in support of the outdoor patio:

Ryan Hoag
Sherry Carol
Steve Kirkmn
Katie Kornder
Arriana Kibler
Josh Baker
Trudy Gagas
Pam Gillon
Kim Kirkman

Melanie Pfeffer

Roger Duncan

The following Florence residents are neither for or against the outdoor patio:

Morrie Aves

Tim Jordan

City Manager, Mike Patterson stated that everyone that spoke made valid points. Mr. Patterson stated that it appears that people seem to want more available parking downtown. Mr. Patterson stated that local property owner Rich Guy has offered for the City to rent a parking lot which is located directly across the street from the Brewery for \$200 per month. Mr. Patterson stated that this is one of three parking lots that the City has previously discussed as possible locations where additional parking could be acquired.

Councilmember Paul Villagrana stated that he felt that the patio would make it safer for pedestrians and traffic. Mr. Villagrana further stated that the museum has gotten business from brewery customers. Public Works Director, Sam Elston stated that we should allow the patio to be set up on a trial basis and make corrections and adjustments as needed. Mr. Elston suggested putting in a 4-way stop at the intersection of Pikes Peak and Front St.

2. Discussion on Florence Steampunk Society, Inc. for Street Closure.

Ray Linebaugh read a handout that he provided to the Council. Barb Briarly said that she feels that Steampunk would be a benefit to the community. Councilmember Knisley asked for a solution for parking issues that may arise. City Manager, Mike Patterson suggested not closing down Main Street, but to instead look at closing Pikes Peak between the Brewery and Main St.

The following residents spoke in support of Steampunk:

Ray Linebaugh

Barb Briarly

The following residents spoke against closing down Main street for Steampunk:

Morrie Aves

John Miller

Christina James

Henry Agustinus

b. Unscheduled Public Appearances

1. Surfing – Herbert Martinez, Fremont County resident introduced 4 guests who would be speaking in regards to river surfing at the Florence River Park. Jason Clark from Denver, Colorado stated that Kayaking is a dieing sport. Surfing the river is becoming popular. He stated that the

Colorado River Surfing Association and its members believe that the river at the Florence River Park has a lot of potential for surfing. Mr. Clark stated that there was very little water in Denver rivers last year. The Colorado River Surfing Association would like to have a weekend festival or event to highlight how to safely river surf in Florence. Mr. Clark stated that the river surfing at the Florence River Park is the best in the state. There is a chance that the City could receive money from Federal agencies for upkeep of the water features at the river park. City Manager, Mike Patterson was directed to talk to Colorado River Surfing Association representatives to get more details. David Reardan requested that the gate be kept open during the weekend and possible fire pits and other facilities for the surfers be added to the Florence River Park. Councilmember Vendetti explained that this is something that could be introduced to the children of City of Florence. Jean Grimstaff had safety concerns about river surfing.

2. John Miller, Florence Car show, asked when the car show street closure would be on the agenda. City Manager, Mike Patterson explained that he would confirm if the car show street closure had already been approved by City Council or not.

3. Tim Jordan – Tim asked Mike Patterson and Councilmembers about the impact of the new open records act for Peace Officers. He asked how it would impact the City. City Manager, Mike Patterson stated that the impacts were unclear but likely a challenge for Police Officers. Mr. Jordan asked if any City employees have severance clauses as part of their contract agreements. Mr. Patterson stated that currently no City employees have severance clauses.

4. Kristine Hassler expressed concern about two dogs in 6x6 kennels with no food or water in their bowls. The female dog had jumped the fence and bit a little girl and a lady walking with a walker. Laura Girard wanted to know what they could do to get the Florence City Code changed. Police Chief, Mike DeLaurentis explained that the County Officer goes by the State statute and we cannot change the state statute. Chief Mike Delaurentis explained that the Officers are trained and have responded to every call and no violations of current Ordinances have occurred.

5. Morrie Aves asked who is responsible for repairing the alleys. City Attorney, Matthew Krob stated that the City is responsible to repair all roadways but must prioritize according to the available budget.

4. Additions/Deletions/Corrections to Agenda – N/A

5. Approval of Consent Agenda Items-

a. Councilor Upton moved to approve the remaining consent agenda items
Councilor Knisley seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 6 ayes.

6. Public Hearings-

a. Public Hearing for Florence Brewing Company LLC for a temporary modification of liquor license for outdoor festivities. There were no comments from the public. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the modification of premises. Vendetti seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote – 6 ayes.

b. Public Hearing for Ordinance 04-15-2019A, an ordinance budgeting and appropriating additional sums of money to defray expenses in excess of the amount budgeted for the general fund, water fund, police equipment/supplies fund, conversation trust fund, capital acquisition and fund and the bond series 2013 projects fund of the City of Florence, Colorado for the budget year beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2018. Councilor Baker moved to approve the Public Hearing. Councilor Upton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote – 6 ayes.

7. Unfinished Business – N/A

8. New Business

a. Set a Public Hearing for May 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for Florence Steampunk Society, Inc. for street closure. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the Public Hearing. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote – 6 ayes.

b. Approval of Task Order #3 for Engineering Services for Safe Routes to School Project with Jacobs Engineering. Planning Director, Wade Broadhead stated that CDOT had approved that the project design, permit and sidewalk design work could be completed. CDOT gave the City \$26,000 extra for design. Councilor Upton moved to approve the Public Hearing. Vendetti seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote – 6 ayes.

c. Approval of Amendment to Subdivision Improvement Agreement Relating to Infrastructure Improvements of Willow Creek Estates Subdivision. This is a modification relating to the responsibility of road improvements on Arrowhead. Councilor Baker moved to approve the Amendment. Councilor Villagrana seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote – 6 ayes.

d. Resolution 201-04-15A, a Resolution declaring a vacancy in office for a City Council member representing Ward 1. The candidates have until 430 PM, May 3, 2019 to submit letters of interest to City Hall. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the resolution. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote – 6 ayes.

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1. Resolution 2019-04-15B, a Resolution setting the water rates and capital improvement charges to be assessed to the East Florence Water Association from May 1, 2019 to April 30, 2020. Councilor Vendetti moved to approve the resolution. Councilor Upton seconded the motion. 6 ayes.

2. Debt Service reduction in monthly fees. The rates are lowering for the third consecutive year.

f. Approval of final bill from Langston Concrete Inc. in the amount of \$31,778.00. Langston Concrete has completed the Dry Creek Dam project and the final walk through was Friday, April 12, 2019. Councilor Baker moved to approve the payment of the final bill to Langston Concrete. Councilor Villagrana seconded the motion. 6 ayes.

g. Approval of North pump station Electric Motor replacement from Munro Pumps in the amount of \$24,474.00. Water Superintendent received four quotes for the motor. Councilor Upton moved to approve the purchase of the North pump electric motor from Munro. Councilor Vendetti seconded the motion. 6 ayes.

h. Action for additions/deletions/corrections-N/A

9. Mayor's Report-

a. Mayor Ore received a call from former Councilwoman, Pat Smith and she is doing well after her surgery. It was asked to send her a bouquet of flowers.

Committee Reports

a. Councilor Upton reported that the school board meeting is April 24, 2019 at the Junior High. It is also listed on their website.

b. Councilor Villagrana asked about water taps assigned to duplex's built at Sticker Stadium

10. City Attorney Report - No Report

.11. Department Head Report-

- a. Police Department – No Report
- b. Public Works- No Report
- c. Water Department – No Report
- d. Finance Officer – No Report
- e. Planning Department- No Report
- f. City Clerk- No Report

12. City Manager Report-

- a. City Manager, Mike Patterson stated he is proud of the staff that was involved with Spring Clean-up

13. Executive Session- N/A

14. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

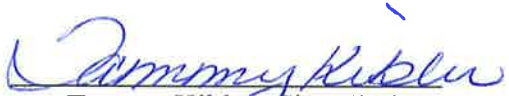
CITY OF FLORENCE, CO

BY: _____



Keith Ore, Mayor

ATTEST: _____



Tammy Kibler, City Clerk

