

CITY OF FLORENCE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 19, 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
		Councilwoman Smith	-	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. Stephanie Elkins Corley-Spoke on sale of the Junior High School.

b. Barna Kassa – Spoke on update on signed agreement, website updates, online advertising, upcoming business classes for new business owners, grant towards joint marketing art and antiques, FCTC grant for July 4th, March 2nd celebration, voting on person and business non-profit competition, recording of car show, May 19th Car Show and Bell Tower tour of the tree carvings.

c. Tim Jordan – Spoke on Geological surveys still on file.

d. Dr. Brenda Krage – Thanked Council for their initiatives. Spoke about the Junior High not being safe for students and not being ADA compliant, bringing pre-school to Penrose Elementary and Fremont Elementary schools in the fall. Parents were favorable for K-6 in grade school. The district had a team from middle school and high school to research the top 7th through 12th grade schools. A meeting is scheduled for April to discuss the findings of the research with parents of the school district. The school board has been discussing the building and discussed what it could become, however, no decision has been made and it is

not up for sale as of yet, nor is there a timeline set. They will be changing the name of the school to Florence Junior Senior School.

4. Additions/Deletions/Corrections to Agenda

a. City Attorney, Matthew Krob requested consent agenda item c. be pulled and addressed separately as a first reading and public hearing. Consent Agenda Item c. was pulled from the consent agenda.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda Items-

a. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the remaining consent agenda items – items a and b as presented. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 6 ayes. Councilor Knisely abstained.

6. Public Hearings-

a. 1st Reading of Ordinance 02-19-2019A approving rezoning of 700 E. Main Street from manufactured home park (MPH) to recreational vehicle park district (RVP). City Attorney Matthew Krob addressed correction to Reading of Ordinance 02-19-2019A approving rezoning of 700 E. Main Street from manufactured home park (MVP) to recreational vehicle park district (RVP). Public hearing was opened with no comments from the public. Councilor Upton moved to approve the Ordinance. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote – 7 ayes.

7. Unfinished Business- N/A

8. New Business

a. GIS Authority Agreement – Annual Renewal. City Planner, Wade Broadhead stated that the agreement has an annual cost of \$5,000. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the request. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes.

b. Front Street outdoor patio discussion, Hans Prah. Mr. Prah would like to improve the space for Florence Brewery. He would like an outdoor seating area for people to enjoy beautiful Florence, Colorado. He would like the fenced in, outdoor seating area out front on the East side of the establishment, temporarily, closing down 4 parking spaces. Mr. Prah met with Edwin Hill at the Senior Center and Edwin does not want this area to impede traffic. Mr. Prah will hold a Public meeting to discuss with surrounding businesses. If the majority do not want the outdoor seating area, he will not move forward with the project. Mr. Prah would like live music in his establishment. Phase 1 of the project will include closing 4 spaces as early as next Council meeting, March 4, 2019. This parking lot closure must be ADA compliant and remain 13 feet from the gutter.

Mr. Prahll will put signs in the outdoor area, "No Alcohol Beyond This Point". Councilor Knisley asked Mr. Prahll if he had considered having his patio be a second story patio. Mr. Prahll stated that he had not, but he liked the idea.

c. Approval of purchase for Public Works Concrete Forms for \$5,475.00. Councilor Upton moved to approve the purchase. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes

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

9. Mayor's Report-

a. No Report

Committee Reports-

- a. Councilor Upton reported he attended the Gold Belt meeting in Teller County. Federal funding went away 2 years ago and Congress has passed a Refund and Reinstatement Program which will allow for more grant money.
- b. Councilor Smith reported there will be a Historical Preservation Meeting on February 27, 2019 at 6:00 pm.
- c. Councilor Baker reported he attended the CML conference on February 14, 2019 with City Manager, Mike Patterson. He reported that Kevin Bomber is now the CML Executive Director.

10. City Attorney Report

a. Matthew Krob reported that he met with the New City Clerk, Tammy Kibler, training her on the process of Council meetings.

11. Department Head Report-

Police Department-. No Report

Public Works-They will be moving material from Dry Creek Dam on Tuesday, February 26, 2019.

Water Department- No Report

Finance Officer-

a. *Lori Cobler reported Final sales tax revenues were up 6% over last years. 9 out of 12 months were record months. \$661,000 at 2% which is more than \$60,000 in 2017. The ½ cent increase was up to almost \$10,000 for the year, which brought us to \$826,394.*

Planning Department-

a. *Tree removal project – Wade Broadhead stated that Public Workers Director, Sam Elstun did a great job on the project. Mr. Broadhead discussed updating*

the lighting on Main Street. He would like to reach out to Merchants Association to find out what they would like to have done downtown. Wade deferred to City Manager to getting better prices of Broadband to Citizens. Comment made by Councilor Knisley then asked if the positive sales tax growth be shared back with the City workers.

City Clerk- No Report

12. City Manager Report-

- a. City Manager Michael Patterson apologized for meeting notices not being put on the website. Mr. Patterson stated that we would normally pass out the year end financials, however, Lori Cobler would like to double check all of the numbers before they are sent out. Right now the numbers look so good that they want to make sure that nothing was missed.
- b. City Manager, Michael Patterson asked for a volunteer to join him for Radio on February 20, 2019 and FEDC at 7:00am. Chief DeLaurentis volunteered.

13. Executive Session-

City Staff requested a executive session for 3 items - two water litigation and a security arrangement issue. City Attorney Matt Krob stated that the executive session is pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) for the purposes of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategies for negotiations and/or instructing negotiators and pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(d) for discussion of specialized details of security arrangements or investigations. City Staff recommended that council invite City Manager, Mike Patterson, City Financial Officer, Lori Cobler, City Clerk, Tammy Kibler, Police Chief, Mike DeLaurentis, Public Works Director, Sam Elstun, and Water Superintendent, Brandon Harris and City Attorney Matthew Krob into the executive session.

Pursuant to City Staff's recommendations, Councilor Upton moved to go into executive session. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes. Executive session was entered at 8:24 p.m.

City Council and Staff returned from executive session at 9:15 p.m and reconvened the regular meeting.

14. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.