

City of Greeley, Colorado
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
August 16, 2022

1. Call to Order

Mayor Gates called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1001 11th Ave, Greeley, Colorado, with hybrid participation available via the City's Zoom platform.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gates led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Heidi Leatherwood, City Clerk, called the roll.

Present:

Mayor John Gates
Councilmember Tommy Butler
Councilmember Deb DeBoutez
Councilmember Dale Hall
Councilmember Ed Clark
Councilmember Johnny Olson

Mayor Pro Tem Brett Payton – excused absence

4. Approval of the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

5. Recognitions and Proclamations

Councilmember Hall shared “What’s Great About Greeley?”

Mayor Gates presented the “National Safe Digging Day” Proclamation. Kurtis Paradisa from Atmos Energy accepted the proclamation and spoke about the importance of education around calling before you dig.

6. Citizen Input

1. Steve Teets spoke about the anniversary of the bus system and was curious about the UC Health contract with the City.

2. Kimber Watson spoke about returning to Greeley. Ms. Watson indicated that a friend of hers had a medical incident and that the paramedics had been called. This friend was then forced to go to the hospital by the medical staff. She asked

if this was standard procedure under the City's contract with the emergency services.

In response to the question about the UC Health contract and services, Fire Chief Brian Kuznik explained a few components of the agreement. He would look into Ms. Watson's friend's specific incident further and reach out to her directly.

3. State Senator Barb Kirkmeyer spoke about her work in the state senate and her campaign for US Congress. She indicated she hoped to have a collaborative working relationship with Greeley City Council members.

7. Reports from Mayor and Councilmembers

Councilmember Olson reported on the NFR meeting.

Councilmember DeBoutez reported that staff did a great job on the sustainability program.

8. Initiatives from Mayor and Councilmembers

None.

Consent Agenda

9. Acceptance of the report of the City Council Work Session for July 26, 2022

10. Approval of the City Council Proceedings of July 19, 2022

11. Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance amending Title 16, Chapter 1, Article XVIII of the Greeley Municipal Code related to towing

12. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance amending Section 20-62 (Standards for Design and Construction) and adopting Section 20-64 (Adoption of Design Criteria and Construction Specifications), Title 20 of The Greeley Municipal Code for the City of Greeley

13. Introduction and first reading of an Ordinance Amending Title 1, Chapter 10, Chapter 11, and Chapter 12; Title 2, Chapter 12, Chapter 8; and Title 16, Chapter 2 of the Greeley Municipal Code related to Code Compliance

Councilmember Clark moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items 9-13. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 at 6:25 p.m. with Mayor Pro Tem Payton being absent.

End of Consent Agenda

14. Pulled Consent Agenda Items

None.

15. Public hearing and second reading of an Ordinance authorizing the disposition of City property Located at 28th Street and 19th Avenue

Lindsay Kuntz introduced the item with a presentation at 6:25 p.m.

This property is owned and maintained by the City. Interest in purchasing the property was expressed by the neighboring landowners. Following completion of due diligence process by the City through a review across multiple departments, the property has been deemed as "surplus". Water and Sewer easements will be retained.

The Public Hearing opened at 6:30 p.m.

No speakers.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:30 p.m.

Councilmember Hall moved to approve the Ordinance. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 at 6:31 p.m. with Mayor Pro Tem Payton absent.

16. Public hearing and second reading of an Ordinance appropriating additional sums to defray the expenses and liabilities of the City of Greeley for the balance of the fiscal year of 2022 and for funds held in reserve for encumbrances through December 31, 2021

Finance Director, John Karner introduced the item with a presentation at 6:32 p.m.

Councilmember Olson asked about the total amount needed for the Bittersweet Park Project. In response to the question, Mr. Karner answered that it was \$300,000.

Councilmember DeBoutez inquired what "Faster" funding was and what the source is for this funding. In response to the question, Mr. Karner indicated these are federal dollars from the transportation department. Public Works Director Paul Trombino added that this funding is from sales tax and the fees collected are directed for safety work throughout the City. They are not part of the general fund.

Council Member Butler asked when the construction around the quiet zones would be completed. Public Works Director Paul Trombino indicated that requests for bids will be going out in the next few weeks and this work should be completed this fall.

The Public Hearing opened at 6:39 p.m.

1. Steve Teets spoke asked about Faster funds used for transit, infrastructure, and safety.

In response to the question raised by Mr. Teets, Public Works Director, Paul Trombino added that safety covers all kinds of issues such as neighborhood

safety issues, traffic and calming devices, cameras and equipment that help move operational flow and anything that enhances the system.

2. Kimber Watson indicated she was upset about the look of Bittersweet Park and when will it be improved.

In response to the question raised by Ms. Watson, the Mayor added that decisions were made to upgrade to the park. Council is addressing the complaints they received about the look of the park and will be converting certain areas back to blue grass.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:44 p.m.

Councilmember Olson moved to adopt the Ordinance and publish by title only. Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 at 6:44 p.m. with Mayor Pro Tem Brett Payton absent.

17. Public hearing and second reading to consider an Ordinance to rezone from C-L (Commercial Low Intensity) to C-H (Commercial High Intensity) zone district for 2.11 acres of property located at 3115 35th Avenue (ZON2021-0017) and changing the official zoning map to reflect the same

Planner III, Darrell Gesick introduced the item with a presentation. This item rezones 2.11 acres of property annexed in 1987 and zoned C-1. Development Code was revised, and the C-L is the modern-day equivalent to C-1. The Parcel is currently developed with a 10,400-square-foot building and used for a wireless internet service provider, with a portion of the building used as a warehouse.

The request is consistent with the approval criteria. Notifications were sent out and only 1 phone call received. Planning Commission approved the request at the July 26 Planning Commission meeting. Greeley supplies the water and Evans supplies sewer.

Councilmember DeBoutez asked if the City of Evans was notified. In response to this question, Mr. Gesick replied that yes, they were notified as part of the review process and would continue to be part of the discussion for site review since they service the area.

Councilmember Butler asked what commercial opportunities would be allowed under the proposed zoning. In response to the questions Mr. Gesick added that most of the inquires for the property have included restaurants and possible breweries.

The Public Hearing opened at 6:49 p.m.

There were no speakers.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:49 p.m.

Councilmember Olson moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilmember Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 at 6:50 p.m. with Mayor Pro Tem Payton absent.

18. Appointment of applicants to the Youth Commission

City Clerk Heidi Leatherwood tallied the ballots and announced that the following persons were appointed to the Youth Commission:

Alyssa Silva and Maddie Zoeller for 2-year terms through 2024.

19. Scheduling of Meetings, Other Events

There were none.

20. Consideration of a motion authorizing the City Attorney to prepare any required resolutions, agreements, and ordinances to reflect action taken by the City Council at this meeting and any previous meetings, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all such resolutions, agreements, and ordinances

Councilmember Butler moved to approve the motion. Councilmember Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 with a voice vote at 6:52 p.m. with Mayor Pro Tem Payton absent.

21. Adjournment

Mayor Gates adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

John D. Gates, Mayor

Heidi Leatherwood, City Clerk