

City of Greeley, Colorado
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
May 16, 2023

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

City Clerk Heidi Leatherwood, called the roll.

Present:

Mayor John Gates

Councilmember Tommy Butler

Councilmember Deb DeBoutez

Mayor Pro Tem Brett Payton

Councilmember Ed Clark

Councilmember Johnny Olson

Councilmember Dale Hall was absent (Excused).

4. Approval of the Agenda

City Manager Lee had no changes to the agenda.

5. Recognitions and Proclamations

Mayor Gates read the Mental Health Month Proclamation at 6:03 p.m. Kim Collins, CEO of North Range Behavior Health, and Brian Kuznik , Fire Chief and Board Member of North Range Behavior Health, were present in Council Chambers to accept the Proclamation.

Councilmember Olson presented *What's Great about Greeley?*

6. Citizen Input

1. Steve Teets spoke about bus safety, and the need for water conservation by citizens and the City.

2. David Meek spoke about the Bible and history.

3. Edwin Grant spoke about water conservation and the Patriot Act.

7. Reports from Mayor and Councilmembers

Mayor Gates attended the Colorado Municipal League Spring Outreach meeting on May 15, 2023, at the Greeley Recreation Center and brought back information to share with the Councilmembers.

Councilmember Butler attended the LINC Library grand opening and shared that it is a wonderful place for community and families to visit.

8. Initiatives from Mayor and Councilmembers

None.

Consent Agenda

9. Approval of the City Council Proceedings of April 18 and May 2, 2023, and City Council Work Session Proceedings of April 25, 2023

10. Introduction and first reading of an Ordinance amending Title 6, Chapter 2 of the Greeley Municipal Code relating to Vendor Responsible for Tax

11. Consideration of a Resolution to Amend the Intergovernmental Agreement with Weld County for Construction Improvements to O Street and 59th Avenue Intersection

12. Consideration of a Change Order for the “O” Street and 59th Avenue Intersection Improvement Design

Councilmember Olson moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items 9-12. Mayor Pro Tem Payton seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 at 6:20 p.m. with Councilmember Hall absent,

End of Consent Agenda

13. Pulled Consent Agenda Items

14. Public hearing and second reading of an Ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 10 (Boards and Commissions) of the Greeley Municipal Code designating the City of Greeley website as the official posting site for meeting notices

Heidi Leatherwood, City Clerk, gave a presentation on the proposed amendment to the Greeley Municipal Code at 6:21 p.m.

The Colorado Open Meetings Act requires a designated public place for posting meeting notices. Greeley Municipal Code Section 2-553 designates both entrances to City Hall as the official posting sites for physical meeting notices for Council’s appointed Boards and Commissions. With the remodel of City Hall completed in 2020, there are no longer physical bulletin boards accessible to the public at the City Hall entrances.

All Boards and Commission meeting notices will be posted on the Greeley.gov website for official purposes. Meeting notices will also be available with a QR Code on the City Hall monitor and hard copies of the agendas will be available at the City Clerk’s counter in the City Hall lobby.

The public hearing opened at 6:22 p.m.

1. Steve Teets would like more marketing for Boards and Commissions information out to the community.

The public hearing closed at 6:24 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Payton moved to approve the ordinance. Councilmember DeBoutez seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 at 6:24 p.m. with Councilmember Hall absent.

15. Public hearing and second reading of an Ordinance amending the Greeley Municipal Code to create a new Article and Chapter under Title 6, Revenue & Finance, Chapter 16 – Grants

John Karner, Finance Director, introduced the item with a presentation on the proposed new section to the Greeley Municipal Code at 6:25 p.m.

Grant opportunities available to the City significantly increased in both dollar amount and frequency. To streamline the grant acceptance process, staff proposed a change to existing code on the appropriation requirements for grants valued under \$500,000.

This ordinance will allow a grant less than \$500,000 to be treated as custodial funds and allow the City Manager to accept such grants and expend these funds without a separate appropriation approval from City Council. This process will reduce the number of supplemental appropriations made during a fiscal year. The Finance Department will provide a quarterly report on grant funds received through this new process and post such reports on the City's website.

Grants greater than \$500,000 will be subject to City Council approval and will require appropriation. Grants that require a matching contribution by the city in the form of an expenditure for which a budget and appropriation has not previously been approved by City Council approval will continue to require a separate appropriation.

Mayor Pro Tem Payton asked for clarification on the code amendment and the current code. In response, Mr. Karner replied that the Finance Department will produce quarterly and annual reports detailing current applications and grants received, including where the grant money will be allocated.

Councilmember Butler asked how many grants the City receives annually. In response, Grant Specialist, Ashley Weesner noted that the city has over thirty grants from this last year.

Councilmember Butler suggested that this type of positive information should be shared quarterly during work sessions or other.

The public hearing opened at 6:34 p.m.

1. Steve Teets agreed with highlighting the grants.
2. Edwin Grant spoke about vocabulary relating to grants.

The public hearing closed at 6:38 p.m.

Councilmember Olson moved to adopt the ordinance and publish by title only. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 at 6:39 p.m. with Councilmember Hall absent.

16. Appointment of applicants to the Commission on Disabilities, Construction Trades Advisory & Appeals Board, and the Youth Commission

City Clerk Leatherwood announced the appointments:

- Commission on Disabilities: Recruit for additional applications
- Construction Trades Advisory & Appeals Board – David Powell, Don Hobart and Jay Jenses appointed for 3-year terms
- Youth Commission – David Andersen, Diana Calhoun, Joshua Rascon appointed for 2-year terms

17. Scheduling of Meetings, Other Events

None.

18. 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

Mayor Pro Tem Payton moved to approve the motion. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0 with a voice vote at 6:40 p.m. with Councilmember Hall absent.

19. Adjournment

Mayor Gates adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Approved:

John D. Gates, Mayor

Attest:

Heidi Leatherwood, City Clerk