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Tuesday, April 8, 2025

9:00 AM

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Helms called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM.

Present: 9 - Councilmember Yolanda Avila, President Pro Tem Lynette Crow-Iverson, Councilmember Dave Donelson, President Randy Helms, Councilmember Nancy Henjum, Councilmember David Leinweber, Councilmember Mike O'Malley, Councilmember Brian Risley, and Councilmember Michelle Talarico

Councilmember Henjum attended the meeting virtually from approximately 1:00 PM to 1:20 PM.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was made by Reverend Eric Strader from the First United Methodist Church.

President Helms led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Changes to Agenda/Postponements

President Helms stated citizens have requested items 4A.A., 4A.D., .and 4B.F. to be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Consensus of Council agreed to these changes on the agenda.

4. Consent Calendar

These items will be acted upon as a whole, unless a specific item is called for discussion by a Councilmember or a citizen wishing to address the City Council. (Any items called up for separate consideration shall be acted upon following the Mayor's Business.)

4A. Second Presentation:

- 4A.B. [25-138](#) Ordinance No. 25-41 repealing Ordinance Nos. 07-113, 09-94, 14-18, and 16-120 thereby dissolving the Public Art Commission of the Pikes Peak Region

Presenter:

Nancy Henjum, Councilmember District 5

Ayana Garcia, Boards and Commissions Program Administrator

Attachments: [ORD-DissolvingPAC Revised](#)

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

- 4A.C. [25-153](#) Ordinance No. 25-42 amending Section 102 (Procedures) of Article 1 (Administration And Enforcement) and Section 101 (Authority To Impound Vehicles) and Section 102 (Illegal Parking) of Article 25 (Removal And Impoundment Of Vehicles) of Chapter 10 (Motor Vehicles And Traffic) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, pertaining to authority to impound vehicles and illegal parking

Presenter:

Chief of Staff Jamie Fabos, City of Colorado Springs

Shantel Withrow, Division Chief of Prosecution, City Attorney's Office

Attachments: [AuthoritytoImpound IllegalParking ORD.docx](#)
[2025 Illegal Parking and Impound-Council Presentation_Final.pptx](#)

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

- 4A.E. [25-160](#) Ordinance No. 25-44 excluding certain property from the boundaries of the Gold Hill North Business Improvement District (Legislative)

Presenter:

Kevin Walker, Director, City Planning Department

Attachments: [Letter to the City re Corrected Ordinance, 2025-02-20](#)
[2025 Draft Ordinance for Exclusion, City of Colorado Springs](#)
[22-062-BID EXC 4](#)
[22-062-BID MD2 EXC 5](#)
[22-062-BID EXC 6](#)
[Petition for Exclusion of Property](#)
[Staff PowerPoint Gold Hill BID Exclusion 2025](#)
[Affidavit of Publication - Gold Hill North BID Exclusion](#)

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

4B. First Presentation:

4B.A. [25-196](#) City Council Regular Meeting Minutes March 25, 2025

Presenter:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: [3-25-2025 City Council Meeting Minutes Final](#)

The Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

4B.B. [25-125](#) A Resolution approving an Economic Development Agreement between the City Of Colorado Springs and Project Kokua

Presenter:

Jessie Kimber, Economic Development Officer

Shawna Lippert, Economic Development Manager

Attachments: [RES ProjectKokua 2025](#)
[EDA Project Kokua - DRAFT 02-28-2025 SL](#)
[Project Kokua EDA Presentation Work Session](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 46-25.pdf](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

4B.C. [25-150](#) Authorization of First & Main Business Improvement District to issue debt in the form of Series 2025 Limited Tax General Obligation Bond. (Legislative Item)

Presenter:

Allison, Senior Planner, Planning Department

Kevin Walker, Director, Planning Department

Attachments: [BondIssFirst&Main-RES-2025-03-07](#)
[BID_District_Map](#)
[First and Main BID Draft GC Opinion Letter](#)
[First and Main BID No 1 - Bond Resolution](#)
[FMBID1 Bond Counsel Opinion Letter 2025](#)
[LT GO Fairness Letter by RBC](#)
[Petitioner Bond Cover Letter](#)
[Preliminary Cashflows 2025 thru 2055](#)
[Public Improvement Cost Estimate](#)
[2025 FirstMain BID V3 OperatingPlan](#)
[Staff First&Main Presentation WS](#)
[Staff First&Main Presentation CC](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 47-25.pdf](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

4B.D. [25-179](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Use of Possession and/or Eminent Domain to acquire real property, permanent easements and temporary easements using PPRTA funds for the Marksheffel Road - North Carefree to Dublin Project.

Presenter:

Gayle Sturdivant, PE, PMP, City Engineer/Deputy Public Works Director
Kellie Billingsley, Real Estate Services Manager

Attachments: [1 Stetson Hills - Location Map](#)
[2 Stetson Hills - Resolution](#)
[3 Resolution - Exhibit A](#)
[4 Stetson Hills - Presentation](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 48-25.pdf](#)

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

4B.E. [25-198](#)

The City Clerk reports that on April 1, 2025, there was filed with her a petition for the annexation of Woodmen Road Addition No. 3 Annexation. The City Clerk herewith communicates such to City Council and recommends that the petition and map be referred to the City Administration for review and recommendation regarding whether the petition is in substantial compliance with Section 31-12-107(1).

Presenter:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: [Woodmen Road Addition No 3 - Petition for Annexation.pdf](#)
[V2. ANNEXATION PLAT - Revised.pdf](#)
[V2.LEGAL DESCRIPTION - Revised.pdf](#)
[Woodmen Road Addition No 3 - VICINITY.pdf](#)

This Item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion by President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Talarico, that all matters on the Consent Calendar be passed, adopted, and approved by unanimous consent of the members present. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

5. Recognitions

- 5.A.** [25-200](#) A Joint Proclamation recognizing the Military Order of the World Wars Colorado Springs Chapter 151 and the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Foundation

Presenter:

Randy Helms, Council President and Councilmember District 2
Mayor Yemi Mobolade

Attachments: [Military Order of the World Wars Proclamation](#)

President Helms provided a brief history of the Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW).

Mayor Yemi and President Helms read the Proclamation recognizing the Military Order of the World Wars Colorado Springs Chapter 151 and the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Foundation.

Colonel Kermit D. Neal, President, MOWW, expressed appreciation for the recognition and provided an overview of their mission, and program.

Councilmember O'Malley and Councilmember Donelson expressed appreciation for the work in the community, their service, and contributions of the MOWW.

- 5.B.** [25-197](#) City Council Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees

Presenter:

Randy Helms, Council President and Councilmember District 2

Attachments: [04082025 Boards Commissions and Committee Appointments](#)
[04082025 PPRBD Licensing Committee Packet](#)

President Helms presented the City Council Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

Councilmember Risley stated the Building Official commented that Andrew Haggard, nominee for reappointment, has done a very good job in his role so far.

Motion by Councilmember O'Malley, seconded by Councilmember Risley, that the Appointments to City Council Boards, Commissions, and Committees be approved. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

6. Mayor's Business

- 6.A.** [25-199](#) Reappointment of Sam Friesema to a four-year term on the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority Board, expiring on April 1, 2030.

Presenter:

Jamie Fabos, Chief of Staff

Attachments: [Friesema.pdf](#)

Mayor Yemi recognized President Helms, Councilmember Avila, Councilmember O'Malley, for serving the City in their roles on City Council and for their many achievements and contributions to the City.

Jamie Fabos, Chief of Staff, presented the nomination to reappoint Sam Friesema for a four-year term, expiring on April 1, 2030, on the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority Board.

Motion by Councilmember Talarico, seconded by President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson, to appoint Sam Friesema to a four-year term on the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority Board, expiring on April 1, 2030. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

7. Citizen Discussion For Items Not On Today's Agenda

Citizen Kenneth Kilty spoke at the April 7, 2025 Special City Council meeting about the barking dog citation he received even though the dog

belonged to an unhoused man who was living in his back yard and was recently incarcerated.

Citizen Lawrence Clark spoke against corporatized human trafficking.

Citizen Dallas Whitewolf spoke about the imminent tsunami disasters which will be hitting the coasts.

Citizens Veronica Baker, Katherine Czukas, COS Reads, Brooke Graves, and Renne Ludlam spoke against the closing of the Pikes Peak Library District Rockrimmon branch.

8. Items Called Off Consent Calendar

- 4A.A. [25-133](#)** Ordinance No. 25-40 including certain property into the boundaries of the Interquest North Business Improvement District (Legislative)

Presenter:

Alison Stocker, Senior Planner, Planning Department

Kevin Walker, Director, Planning Department

Attachments: [Interquest North BID Inclusion Ordinance](#)

[Exhibit A Petition for Inclusion - Interquest North BID](#)

[Exhibit B Notice of Inclusion - Need](#)

[2025 Interquest North BID Operating Plan](#)

[Attachment A 2025 Cover Letter - Interquest North BID](#)

[Attachment B Place Holder for Affidavit of Publication](#)

[Attachment C Interquest North BID 2025 Inclusion Boundary Map](#)

[Attachment D - STAMPED APPROVED Marketplace @ Interquest
FIL No. 27](#)

[Attachment E -STAMPED APPROVED CUDP-23-0012](#)

[Staff Memo Interquest North BID 2nd Reading](#)

[Letter Opposition Interquest Exclusion CC 20250325](#)

[Staff 2025 Inclusion Interquest North 1st Hearing BID](#)

[Affidavit of Publication](#)

[Letter to T. Leonard - Interquest North Business Improvement District -
2025 04 01\(9907332.1\)](#)

[Signed Ordinance No. 25-40.pdf](#)

Allison Stocker, Senior Planner, Planning Department, presented the Ordinance and including certain property into the boundaries of the Interquest North Business Improvement District (BID). She provided an overview of the background, summary of inclusions, location, existing

boundaries, proposed inclusions, and next steps.

Councilmember Donelson requested additional information regarding the entitlements and improvements for these properties. Ms. Stocker stated there is a Conditional Use Development Plan which shows how one of the parcels is to be developed.

Councilmember Donelson asked what the cost of development would be to the BID. Nicole Peykov, representing the applicant, stated the cost has not been determined yet, but they estimate the public improvements would consist of water mains, sewer mains, landscaping, and any roads which will be needed on the property.

Councilmember Donelson asked if the grading of the lot is included in the cost. Ms. Stocker stated the Development Plan does show how the lot will be graded.

Councilmember Donelson asked if City Council's role is to determine if the inclusion would be detrimental to the BID. Ms. Stocker confirmed that it is.

Citizen Lisa Bigelow spoke on behalf of Tim Leonard in opposition to the proposed inclusion.

Councilmember Donelson stated he cannot vote in favor of this inclusion without being certain that it will not be detrimental to the BID because he believes there is a conflict of interest with the property owner also being a board member of the BID. Ms. Peykov provided an overview of what the petitioner is requesting, stated they cannot determine the cost or revenue for this property at this time, but believes the benefit provided from the inclusion will be greater than the cost. She stated they have not received any objections from the community to this proposed inclusion with the exception of Mr. Leonard and Ms. Bigelow.

Councilmember Leinweber stated it is not unusual for the property owner to be on the board in the beginning of developments. Councilmember Donelson stated the difference in this case is the property owner, David Jenkins, who is on the board of the BID, also owns and receives the interest from the bonds.

Councilmember Donelson asked what the estimated cost and revenue will

be for the lots. Ms. Peykov stated for each business, the average cost for public improvements, which is statutorily defined as to what the BID is authorized to finance, is between \$600,000 and \$800,000 and the revenue is approximately \$25,000 to \$65,000 per year.

Councilmember Donelson requested that City Council receive expert guidance in the future, so they are better informed when making decisions on these types of issues.

Motion by Councilmember O'Malley, seconded by Councilmember Talarico, that the Ordinance No. 25-40 including certain property into the boundaries of the Interquest North Business Improvement District be finally passed. The motion passed by a vote of 6-2-1-0

Aye: 6 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

No: 2 - Donelson, and Helms

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 4A.D.** [PDZZ-24-0002](#) Ordinance No. 25-43 amending the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs pertaining to 1.01 acre located at the northeast corner of Shiloh Mesa Drive and Mulberry Wood Drive from PDZ/AP-O - CAD/SS-O (Planned Development Zone District with Airport Overlay - Commercial Airport District and Streamside Overlay Zones; Mixed-Use Development, 45-foot maximum building height, 15.38 maximum dwelling units per acre) to PDZ/AP-O (Planned Development Zone District with Airport Overlay; multi-family residential use, 50-foot maximum building height, 49.99 maximum dwelling units per acre) (Quasi-Judicial) (Second Reading and Public Hearing).

Related Files: PDZZ-24-0002; PDZL-24-0004

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Located in Council District 6

The Shiloh Mesa at Woodmen Heights PDZ Land Use Plan is in association with the Sunrise at Shiloh Mesa Zone Change. The Sunrise at Shiloh Mesa Zone Change will have its first reading setting the hearing on March 25, 2025.

Presenter:

Tamara Baxter, Planning Supervisor, Planning Department
Kevin Walker, Planning Director, Planning Department

Attachments: [Ordinance Sunrise at Shiloh Mesa TPB](#)
[Exhibit A - Legal Description](#)
[Exhibit B - Zone Exhibit](#)
[7.5.704 ZONING MAP AMENDMENT \(REZONING\)](#)
[Sunrise at Shiloh Mesa Draft CPC minutes 3.12.25.pdf](#)
[Signed Ordinance No. 25-43.pdf](#)

Tamara Baxter, Planning Supervisor, Planning Department, presented the Ordinance amending the zoning map of the City pertaining to 1.01 acre located at the northeast corner of Shiloh Mesa Drive and Mulberry Wood Drive from PDZ/AP-O - CAD/SS-O (Planned Development Zone District with Airport Overlay - Commercial Airport District and Streamside Overlay Zones; Mixed-Use Development, 45-foot maximum building height, 15.38 maximum dwelling units per acre) to PDZ/AP-O (Planned Development Zone District with Airport Overlay; multi-family residential use, 50-foot maximum building height, 49.99 maximum dwelling units per acre) and a major modification to the Shiloh Mesa at Woodmen Heights PDZ Land Use Plan changing 1.01 acre from Minor Public Assembly to Multi-Family Residential. She provided an overview of the vicinity map, applications, project summary, Land Use Major Modification, parking reduction request, stakeholder involvement, agency review, compliance with PlanCOS, application review criteria, and optional motions.

Lee Patke, Executive Director, Greccio Housing Unlimited, LLC, representing the applicant, identified the essential project, site location, purpose/history, site plan, neighborhood character, building height, and integration of feedback into design.

Jim Anderson, President, Center for Strategic Ministry (CSM), representing the applicant, stated CSM and Woodman Valley Chapel are very grateful for the partnership with Greccio Housing to provide senior housing in the community and they are donating the property for the project.

Noah Brenner, Civil Engineer, Kimley Horn, representing the applicant, identified the Land Use amendment, rezone, surrounding zoning, compliance with the Unified Development Code (UDC) required conditions, alignment with PlanCOS, parking, traffic, utilities, and building height.

Citizen James Welch spoke in opposition to the proposed project.

Mr. Brenner went over how they considered comments from surrounding neighbors, changed the roof to a flat-top design and brought the building height down as far as they could.

Councilmember Donelson asked if the original zone had a forty-five-foot building height limit. Mr. Benner confirmed it did, and they brought the height at the end of the building closest to the townhomes down to forty feet and five inches with a vegetation screening.

Councilmember Leinweber asked if affordable housing in this area is a tremendous need. Ms. Baxter confirmed it is. Kevin Walker, Director, Planning Department, stated this project will continue to diversify the housing types in this area.

Motion by Councilmember O'Malley, seconded by President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson, that the Ordinance No. 25-43 amending the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs pertaining to 1.01 acre located at the northeast corner of Shiloh Mesa Drive and Mulberry Wood Drive from PDZ/AP-O - CAD/SS-O (Planned Development Zone District with Airport Overlay - Commercial Airport District and Streamside Overlay Zones; Mixed-Use Development, 45-foot maximum building height, 15.38 maximum dwelling units per acre) to PDZ/AP-O (Planned Development Zone District with Airport Overlay; multi-family residential use, 50-foot maximum building height, 49.99 maximum dwelling units per acre) based upon the findings that the request complies with the criteria for a Zoning Map amendment as set forth in City Code Section 7.5.704 be finally passed. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 4B.F.** [PDZL-24-0004](#) A Major Modification to the Shiloh Mesa at Woodmen Heights PDZ Land Use Plan changing 1.01 acre from Minor Public Assembly to Multi-Family Residential located at the northeast corner of Shiloh Mesa Drive and Mulberry Wood Drive. (Quasi-Judicial)

Related Files: PDZZ-24-0002; PDZL-24-0004
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Located in Council District 6

The Shiloh Mesa at Woodmen Heights PDZ Land Use Plan is in association with the Sunrise at Shiloh Mesa Zone Change. The Sunrise at Shiloh Mesa Zone Change will have its first reading setting the hearing on March 25, 2025.

Presenter:

Tamara Baxter, Planning Supervisor, Planning Department

Kevin Walker, Planning Director, Planning Department

Attachments: [Staff Report Sunrise at Shiloh Mesa TPB](#)

[Attachment 1 - Project Statement Zone Change](#)

[Attachment 2 - Project Statement Land Use Statement](#)

[Attachment 3 - Zone Exhibit](#)

[Attachment 4 - Land Use Plan Modification](#)

[Attachment 5 - Public Comments](#)

[Attachment 6 - Public Comment Responses](#)

[Public Comments 3.4.25](#)

[7.5.514 LAND USE PLAN](#)

[7.5.516 MODIFICATION OF APPROVED APPLICATIONS](#)

[Public Comment 3.12.25](#)

Please see comments in Agenda item 4A.D.

Motion by Councilmember Leinweber, seconded by Councilmember Talarico, that the Shiloh Mesa at Woodmen Heights PDZ Land Use Plan Major Modification related to 1.01 acre based on the findings that the request complies with the review criteria for a major modification for a land use plan as set forth in City Code Section 7.5.516 be approved. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

9. Utilities Business

There was no Utilities Business.

10. Unfinished Business

- 10.A.** [CODE-24-0006](#) Ordinance No. 25-45 amending Chapter 7 (Unified Development Code (UDC)) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, as related to accessory dwelling units.
(Legislative)

Related Files: CODE-24-0006

Located in All Council Districts

Presenter:

Daniel Sexton, DRE Planning Manager, Planning Department

Kevin Walker, Director, Planning Department

Attachments: [UDC-Accessory Dwelling Units Ord - 3.25.2025 - Parking WUI-O Appeal Owner and Height v3_clean.docx](#)
[ADU Ordinance CC Work Session 3.24.2025 Staff Presentation_Final](#)
[ADU Ordinance - Table of Proposed Changes - 3.24.2025](#)
[Fire Code Appendix K](#)

Daniel Sexton, Planning Manager, Planning Department, presented the Ordinance amending the Unified Development Code (UDC) pertaining to accessory dwelling units (ADU) and provided an overview of the amendments requested by City Council.

Councilmember Donelson asked if ADUs in an R2 zone are currently appealable to City Council. Mr. Sexton stated the Conditional Use permit required for an integrated ADU in the R2 zone is appealable, but the vast majority of ADUs in the City obtain a building permit which is not appealable.

Councilmember O'Malley asked if Homeowners Associations (HOA) and metropolitan districts will now be required to allow ADUs per state statute. Mr. Sexton confirmed state mandated legislation, HOAs are not permitted to unreasonably prohibit or restrict ADUs.

Councilmember O'Malley stated he is concerned that the state is usurping the authority of the HOAs and metropolitan districts. Kevin Walker, Director, Planning Department, stated the proposed Ordinance does not address any HOAs or metropolitan districts. Trevor Gloss, Attorney, City Attorney's Office, stated HOAs and metropolitan districts are regulated through state statutes.

Councilmember Risley asked if since HOAs are a state regulated, if there is anything the City can do to impact it. Mr. Gloss stated the City is generally not involved in HOA/state relationships.

Councilmember O'Malley stated he sees this as a violation of the City's Home Rule authority.

President Helms asked if the City is able to address the impact on HOAs and metropolitan districts at a later time. Mr. Gloss stated that because they are directly regulated by the state, there is very little the City can do. Mr. Walker stated City Council could identify their concern regarding the state's interference in Home Rule authority and HOAs through a separate Resolution.

Citizens Dutch Schultz, President, Old North End Neighborhood spoke in support of the proposed Ordinance.

Citizens Lisa Bigelow, Theresa Gazara, and Dana Duggan spoke in opposition of the proposed Ordinance.

Councilmember O'Malley stated he and other citizens who live in HOAs, and metropolitan districts pay more, and the City needs to stand up for their rights

Councilmember Donelson stated he thinks the proposed Ordinance could be improved and stated this item should be postponed until the issues are resolved.

Motion by Councilmember Avila, seconded by Councilmember Talarico, that this Ordinance No. 25-45 amending Chapter 7 (Unified Development Code) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, as related to accessory dwelling units be finally passed. The motion passed by a vote of 5-3-1-0

Aye: 5 - Avila, Helms, Leinweber, Risley, and Talarico

No: 3 - Crow-Iverson, Donelson, and O'Malley

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 10.B.** [25-171](#) Ordinance No. 25-46 amending Section 301 (Criminal Actions) of Part 3 (Defense of Employees) of Article 4 (City Employees) Chapter 1 (Administrative, Personnel and Finance) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, pertaining to criminal defense

Presenter:

Wynetta Massey, City Attorney

Erik Lamphere, Employment/Litigation Division Chief

Attachments: [Ch1-CriminalDefense-ORD-2025-03-17-Final.docx](#)

Wynetta Massey, City Attorney, presented the Ordinances amending City Code pertaining to criminal defense of City employees, settlement authority for claims/ litigation settlements, and housekeeping amendments related to City Council and City Attorney settlements.

There were no comments on this item.

Motion by Councilmember Talarico, seconded by President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson, that the Ordinance No. 25-46 amending Section 301 (Criminal Actions) of Part 3 (Defense of Employees) of Article 4 (City Employees) Chapter 1 (Administrative, Personnel and Finance) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, pertaining to criminal defense be finally passed. The motion passed by a vote of 5-3-1-0

Aye: 5 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Helms, Risley, and Talarico

No: 3 - Donelson, Leinweber, and O'Malley

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 10.C.** [25-110](#) Ordinance No. 25-47 amending Section 503 (Compromise Or Settlement of Matters/Claims) and Section 506 (Litigation) of Part 5 (Claims Managements) of Article 5 (Finance Management Procedures) of Chapter 1 (Administrative, Personnel And Finance) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, pertaining to claims and litigation settlements

Presenter:

Wynetta Massey, City Attorney

Erik Lamphere, Employment/Litigation Division Chief

Attachments: [Ch1-ClaimsLitigationSettlements-ORD-2025-03-17-Final.docx](#)
[SettOptionsAnalysis](#)

Please see comments in Agenda item 10.B.

Motion by Councilmember Talarico, seconded by Councilmember Avila, that the Ordinance No. 25-47 amending Section 503 (Compromise Or Settlement of Matters/Claims) and Section 506 (Litigation) of Part 5 (Claims Managements) of Article 5 (Finance Management Procedures) of Chapter 1 (Administrative, Personnel And Finance) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, pertaining to claims and litigation settlements be finally passed. The motion passed by a vote of 7-1-1-0

Aye: 7 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, Risley, and Talarico

No: 1 - O'Malley

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 10.D.** [25-172](#) Ordinance No. 25-48 amending Section 104 (Council Meetings; Procedure) of Part 1 (Elective Officers), and Sections 406 (Settle Claims) and 407 (Make Reports) of Part 4 (Powers and Duties of the City Attorney) all of Article 2 (Officers of the City) of Chapter 1 (Administrative, Personnel and Finance) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, pertaining to housekeeping amendments related to City Council and City Attorney settlements

Presenter:

Wynetta Massey, City Attorney

Erik Lamphere, Employment/Litigation Division Chief

Attachments: [Ch1-CouncilAndCityAttySettlements-ORD-2025-03-17-Final.docx](#)

Please see comments in Agenda item 10.B.

Motion by Councilmember Avila, seconded by Councilmember Talarico, that the Ordinance No. 25-48 amending Section 104 (Council Meetings; Procedure) of Part 1 (Elective Officers) and Section 406 (Settle Claims) and Section 407 (Make Reports) of Part 4 (Powers and Duties of the City Attorney) of Article 2 (Officers of the City) of Chapter 1 (Administrative, Personnel and Finance) of the Code of the

City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended, pertaining to housekeeping amendments related to City Council and City Attorney settlements be finally passed. The motion passed by a vote of 7-1-1-0

Aye: 7 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, Risley, and Talarico

No: 1 - O'Malley

Excused: 1 - Henjum

11. New Business

- 11.A. [25-189](#)** A Resolution Rescinding Resolution No. 25-21 And Amending Resolution No. 254-80 Regarding The Lodgers And Automobile Rental Tax Citizen's Advisory Committee

Presenter:

Lynette Crow-Iverson, Council President Pro Tem and Councilmember At Large

Nancy Henjum, Councilmember District 5

Michael Montgomery, Deputy City Council Administrator

Attachments: [LART MembershipRES-2025-03-21](#)

[Resolution 25-21](#)

[Resolution 254-80](#)

[Signed Resolution No. 49-25.pdf](#)

Michael Montgomery, Deputy City Council Administrator, presented the Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 25-21 and amending Resolution No. 254-80 regarding the Lodgers And Automobile Rental Tax (LART) Citizen's Advisory Committee. He provided an overview of stakeholder process, current membership, and proposed membership.

There were no comments on this item.

Motion by President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Risley, that the Resolution Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 25-21 and amending Resolution No. 254-80 regarding the Lodgers And Automobile Rental Tax Citizen's Advisory Committee be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 11.B. [25-093](#)** A Resolution adopting the City Council's Annual Report to the Citizens for April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025

Presenter:

Emily Evans, City Council Administrator

Alex Ryden, City Council Senior Public Communications Specialist

Attachments: [Annual Report Resolution](#)
[City Council-2025 Annual Report DIGITAL](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 50-25.pdf](#)

Alex Ryden, City Council Communications Specialist, gave a brief background and the process for creating the City Council annual report to the Citizens for April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025 and identified some of the changes requested by City Council and the number copies distributed and viewed last year.

There were no comments on this item.

Motion by Councilmember Talarico, seconded by Councilmember Leinweber, that the Resolution adopting the City Council's Annual Report to the Citizens for April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025 be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 11.C.** [25-201](#) In accord with § 12-60 of the Charter of the City of Colorado Springs, reconsideration of Ordinance No. 25-16 for affirmation or repeal, the ordinance approved by City Council on January 28, 2025 and annexing to the City of Colorado Springs that area known as Karman Line Addition No. 6, the annexation consisting of 1,876.24 acres and located northwest of the Bradley Road and Curtis Road intersection

Presenter:

Sarah Johnson, City Clerk

Kevin Walker, Planning and Community Development Director

Attachments: [Signed Ordinance No. 25-16.pdf](#)
[Statement of sufficiency REF 2025-002.pdf](#)

Kevin Walker, Director, Planning Department, presented the reconsideration of Ordinance No. 25-16 for affirmation or repeal, the ordinance approved by City Council on January 28, 2025 and annexing to the City of Colorado Springs the area known as Karman Line Addition No. 6, the annexation consisting of 1,876.24 acres and located northwest of the Bradley Road and Curtis Road intersection. He provided an overview of the vicinity map, project summary, and site plan.

Councilmember Donelson asked how much conducting a Special Election will cost the City. Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk, stated a Special Election

will cost the same as the regular Municipal Election which is \$500,000.

Councilmember O'Malley stated he does not want the City to have to spend taxpayer dollars, but he supports voters to vote whether or not they want this annexation.

President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson stated she also does not want the City to spend \$500,00 to refer this item to the ballot especially with sales tax revenue being down.

President Helms stated he believes it is important to send this item to a ballot but does not believe it was appropriate for a developer to fund the circulation for petition signatures.

Councilmember Henjum stated she recognizes the City needs more housing but also needs more renewable resources of water.

Councilmember Leinweber stated the City only uses a small percentage of the water from the Arkansas River, most of it is used for agricultural purposes further downstream, a planned community in the Southeast will benefit the area greatly, and there needs to be free market and competition among developers in the City.

Motion by Councilmember Risley, seconded by Councilmember Talarico, that having received a referendum and reconsidered Ordinance No. 25-16, concerning annexing that area known as Karman Line Addition No. 6 consisting of 1,876.24 acres located northwest of the Bradley Road and Curtis Road intersection, in accord with City Charter Section 12-60, to affirm Ordinance No. 25-16 in its entirety. The motion passed by a vote of 6-3-0-0

Aye: 6 - Avila, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

No: 3 - Crow-Iverson, Donelson, and Henjum

11.D. [25-202](#)

A Resolution submitting to the eligible electors of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, at the Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, a ballot question in response to a referendum of Ordinance No. 25-16 passed on January 28, 2025, annexing to the City of Colorado Springs that area known as Karman Line Additional No. 6, the annexation consisting of 1,876.24 acres and located northwest of the Bradley Road and Curtis Road intersection, providing for the form of the ballot title and text, providing for certain matters with respect to the election, and providing the effective date of this Resolution

Presenter:

Sarah Johnson, City Clerk

Kevin Walker, Planning and Community Development Director

Attachments: [RES Referendum of Ord 25-16 - 4.2.2025-Clean.docx](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 51-25.pdf](#)

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk, presented the Resolution submitting to the eligible electors of the City, at the Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, a ballot question in response to a referendum of Ordinance No. 25-16 passed on January 28, 2025, annexing to the City the area known as Karman Line Additional No. 6, the annexation consisting of 1,876.24 acres and located northwest of the Bradley Road and Curtis Road intersection, providing for the form of the ballot title and text, providing for certain matters with respect to the election, and providing the effective date of this Resolution.

Ms. Johnson asked if the Petitioner's Committee was present. Response from the audience indicated that they were not present.

Ben Bolinger, Legislative Counsel, City Attorney's Office, read the second version of the ballot question, as requested by City Council, which states "Shall the voters approve Ordinance 25-16 concerning annexing that area known as Karmen Line Addition Number 6 consisting of 1,876.24 acres located northwest of the Bradley Road and Curtis Road. intersection into the City of Colorado Springs?"

President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson and Councilmember O'Malley stated they prefer the second version because it is clear and concise.

Councilmember Donelson stated he prefers the original version and believes this ballot question will fail, and the City will have wasted the money.

Councilmember Henjum stated this referendum is highly controversial, she is not happy about using funding which could be used for other City services but would like to hear what people have to say about the future growth of the City with limited resources.

President Helms and Councilmember Donelson expressed appreciation for the citizens who took the initiative to stand up for what they believe in by starting a petition.

Councilmember Henjum asked if the rest of the areas of Karman Line which were annexed into the City would be affected by this ballot question. Mr. Bolinger stated they would not, only Karman Line No. 6 was challenged so they would only have jurisdiction over that one.

Motion by President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson, seconded by Councilmember O'Malley, that the Resolution submitting to the eligible electors of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, at the Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, a ballot question in response to a referendum of Ordinance No. 25-16 passed on January 28, 2025, annexing to the City of Colorado Springs that area known as Karman Line Additional No. 6, the annexation consisting of 1,876.24 acres and located northwest of the Bradley Road and Curtis Road intersection, providing for the form of the ballot title and text, providing for certain matters with respect to the election, and providing the effective date of this Resolution be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 8-1-0-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Henjum, Leinweber, O'Malley, and Talarico

No: 1 - Risley

11.E. [25-185](#) The potential June 17, 2025 Special Municipal Election Mail Ballot plan

Presenter:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: [2025 Referendum Special Election Mail Ballot Plan and Calendar \(Final\).pdf](#)

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk, presented the potential June 17, 2025 Special Municipal Election Mail Ballot Plan.

There were no comments on this item.

Motion by Councilmember O'Malley, seconded by Councilmember Donelson, that the June 17, 2025 Special Municipal Election Mail Ballot Plan be approved. The motion passed by a vote of 8-1-0-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Henjum, Leinweber, O'Malley, and Talarico

No: 1 - Risley

12. Recognitions

12.A. [25-191](#) A Resolution in recognition of Michelle Talarico's service to the City of Colorado Springs

Presenter:

David Leinweber, Councilmember At Large

Attachments: [Michelle Talarico Resolution Signed Resolution No. 52-25.pdf](#)

Councilmember Leinweber presented the Resolution in recognition of Councilmember Talarico's service to the City.

Councilmembers expressed gratitude for Councilmember Talarico's service and accomplishments during her time on City Council.

Councilmember Talarico expressed appreciation for the opportunity she had been given to serve her community on City Council.

Motion by Councilmember Avila, seconded by Councilmember O'Malley, that the Resolution in recognition of Michelle Talarico's service to the City of Colorado Springs be approved. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 12.B.** [25-193](#) A Resolution in recognition of Mike O'Malley's service to the City of Colorado Springs

Presenter:

Councilmember Brian Risley, Councilmember At Large

Attachments: [Mike O'Malley Resolution](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 53-25.pdf](#)

Councilmember Risley presented the Resolution in recognition of Councilmember O'Malley's service to the City.

Councilmembers expressed gratitude for Councilmember O'Malley's service and accomplishments during his time on City Council.

Councilmember O'Malley expressed appreciation for the opportunity he had been given to serve his community on City Council.

Motion by President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson, seconded by Councilmember Leinweber, that the Resolution in recognition of Mike O'Malley's service to the City of Colorado Springs be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

- 12.C.** [25-190](#) A Resolution in recognition of Randy Helms' service to the City of Colorado Springs

Presenter:

Councilmember Dave Donelson, Councilmember District 1

Attachments: [Randy Helms Resolution](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 54-25.pdf](#)

Councilmember Donelson presented the Resolution in recognition of President Helm's service to the City.

Councilmembers expressed gratitude for President Helm's leadership, service and accomplishments during his time on City Council.

President Helms expressed appreciation for the opportunity he had been given to serve his community on City Council.

Motion by Councilmember Risley, seconded by Councilmember Talarico, that the Resolution in recognition of Randy Helms' service to the City of Colorado Springs be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

12.D. [25-192](#) A Resolution in recognition of Yolanda Avila's service to the City of Colorado Springs

Presenter:

Lynette Crow-Iverson, President Pro Tem and Councilmember At Large

Attachments: [Yolanda Avila Resolution](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 55-25.pdf](#)

President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson presented the Resolution in recognition of Councilmember Avila's service to the City.

Councilmembers expressed gratitude for Councilmember Avila's service and accomplishments during her time on City Council.

Councilmember Avila expressed appreciation for the opportunity she had been given to serve her community on City Council.

Motion by President Helms, seconded by President Pro Tem Crow-Iverson, that the Resolution in recognition of Yolanda Avila's service to the City of Colorado Springs be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1-0

Aye: 8 - Avila, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Helms, Leinweber, O'Malley, Risley, and Talarico

Excused: 1 - Henjum

13. Public Hearing

There was no Public Hearing.

14. Added Item Agenda

There were no items added to the Agenda.

15. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

16. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before City Council, Council adjourned at 3:13 PM.

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk