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Meeting Minutes Council Work Session

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Monday, July 10, 2023

10:00 AM

Council Chambers

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

- Present** 8 - Councilmember Yolanda Avila, President Pro Tem Lynette Crow-Iverson, Councilmember Dave Donelson, President Randy Helms, Councilmember Nancy Henjum, Councilmember David Leinweber, Councilmember Brian Risley, and Councilmember Michelle Talarico
- Excused** 1 - Councilmember Mike O'Malley

2. Changes to Agenda

President Helms stated item 8.A. will be moved to after item 4.A.

Consensus of City Council agreed to this change on the agenda.

3. Regular Meeting Comments

President Helms stated item 4A.A. will be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

4. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

- 4.A. [23-349](#) City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes June 26, 2023

Presenter:
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: [6-26-23 City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes Final](#)

The minutes of the June 26, 2023 Work Session were approved by

Consensus of City Council.

5. Executive Session

5A. Open

There was no Open Executive Session.

5B. Closed

There was no Closed Executive Session.

6. Presentations for General Information

6.A. [23-334](#) Mt. Carmel Veterans Service Center

Presenter:

Col. (R) Bob McLaughlin, Executive Director, Mt. Carmel Veterans Service Center

Colonel Retired Bob McLaughlin, Executive Director, Mt. Carmel Veterans Service Center, provided a brief overview of Mt. Carmel Veterans Service Center, their mission, vision, approach, critical outcomes, funding, growth, reach, core programs, funding sources, team, partnerships, and impact.

President Helms asked if there are examples in other military communities of what Mt. Carmel Veterans Service Center does. Mr. McLaughlin stated he participates in some national collaboratives, and they often look to what they are doing in the City to help them with executing their vision.

President Helms asked what their relationship with the VA centers in Aurora, CO is. Mr. McLaughlin stated it is very strong and he co-chairs the Community Veterans Engagement Board (CVET) with them.

Councilmember Leinweber stated he would like to get more information on their Next Chapter Program and see how some aspects of it could be rolled out to other mental health programs in the community.

President Helms requested information regarding how a veteran or family member could obtain a lost DD214. Mr. McLaughlin explain how Mr. Carmel Veterans Service Center could assist in that process.

6.B. [23-337](#) Colorado Springs Sports Corp - 6-month Lodgers and Auto Rental Tax (LART) contract update to City Council

Presenter:

Megan Latham, President and CEO, Colorado Springs Sports Corp

Attachments: [City Council Presentation 7.10.23-CS Sports Corp 6 month update](#)

Megan Latham, President and CEO, Brianna Goodwin, Chief Development Officer, and Aubrey McCoy, Chief Operating Officer, Colorado Springs Sports Corp, provided a brief overview of Colorado Springs Sports Corp's mission, who they are, key performance indicators (KPI), Sports Commission, 2018 results, and their future objectives.

Councilmember Leinweber asked why the 2022 room nights booked decreased even though the number of spectators increased. Ms. Latham stated it is due to more state relevant projects, spectators booking rental homes instead of hotels, and the reports from the hotel groups.

Councilmember Avila asked how much the contract between the City and Colorado Springs Sports Corp is. Ms. Latham stated approximately \$700,000 in which \$300,000 is for sports commission, their Lodgers and Automobile Rental Tax (LART) review administration costs, and \$200,000 to \$300,000 in LART funding for the events they hold within the community.

7. Staff and Appointee Reports

- 7.A. [23-264](#) Presentation and discussion on the regulation of murals and removal of graffiti

Presenter:

Peter Wysocki, Planning & Community Development Director

Kurt Schmitt, Sign Program Coordinator

Ben Bolinger, Assistant City Attorney

Mitch Hammes, Neighborhood Services Manager

Matt Mayberry, Cultural Services Division Manager

Morgan Hester, Long Range Planning Manager

Attachments: [Mural Research](#)
[Staff Presentation](#)

Peter Wysocki, Planning and Community Development Director, introduced the presentation and discussion on the regulation of murals and removal of graffiti.

Councilmember Henjum introduced Molly McClure, a local muralist and one of the founding members of the Knob Hill Urban Arts District, Aspen Nipp, Board member Knob Hill Urban Arts District, and Michelle Winchell, Executive Director, Downtown Ventures.

Kurt Schmitt, Sign Program Coordinator, provided an overview of current mural regulations.

Mitch Hammes, Neighborhood Services Manager, presented the definition of graffiti, 2022 and 2023 locations cleaned and individual tags,

President Helms asked if a citizen issues a complaint regarding what they consider graffiti on private property in which the property owner does not wish to remove, does Neighborhood Services notify that citizen of that information. Mr. Hammes confirmed they do.

Councilmember Donelson asked if there have been any complaints regarding graffiti on top of murals. Mr. Hammes stated it is rare and they will remove it with consent of the owner, but if the owner wants it there, they do not remove it regardless of content, Councilmember Donelson asked what if the graffiti contains profanity. Mr. Hammes stated if it is an obscenity issue, they contact the Colorado Springs Police Department (CSPD).

Councilmember Donelson asked how long the response time is regarding graffiti complaints. Mr. Hammes stated their goal is to remove it within either twenty-four hours or the next business day.

President Helms asked if they work with the Colorado Department of Transportation regarding graffiti on bridges, etc. Mr. Hammes confirmed they do.

Matt Mayberry, Cultural Services Division Manager, went over the public art process with the Public Arts Commission (PAC). .

Councilmember Leinweber requested additional information regarding the mural on the CSPD facility. Mr. Mayberry stated CSPD commissioned that project, so it did not come before the PAC. Councilmember Leinweber stated since that is a public building, why was the PAC not engaged in that process. Mr. Mayberry stated there needs to be clarification regarding the process within the City's departments going forward.

Councilmember Donelson asked if the PAC is affiliated with the Knob Hill Urban Arts District. Mr. Mayberry stated not directly but they are welcome to attend the PAC. Councilmember Donelson asked if the Knob Hill Urban Arts District presented to the PAC regarding the murals in their area. Mr. Mayberry stated they did not other than a request for murals on public property.

Councilmember Donelson asked if the zoning which prohibits things that are drastically out of character for a neighborhood could apply to murals on public property. Mr. Wysocki stated the City would have authority over sexually explicit content but other than that it does not.

Morgan Hester, Long Range Planning Manager, gave an overview of the Unified Development Code (UDC) public art and research conducted.

Councilmember Leinweber asked if there is a benefit to murals instead of just plain concrete structures. Ms. Hester stated the creation of community with public art does ignite a sense of community in that built environment.

Councilmember Donelson stated he does not believe the murals in Knob Hill creates a sense of community and asked if a developer's mural approved by the PAC is appealable to City Council. Ms. Hester and Mr. Wysocki confirmed the Development Plan approval could be appealed.

Councilmember Donelson asked out of the fifty cities researched, how many prohibit murals on public and private buildings. Ms. Hester stated she will provide that information.

Councilmember Avila spoke about the much greater issues such as guns and drugs in the City and they have to look at everything holistically included property rights.

Councilmember Henjum asked Ms. Winchell and Ms. McClure to share their comments regarding murals.

Ms. Winchell provided an overview of the impact of the public art located downtown, the Creative Vitality Index, and the contribution public art makes to the community as well as visitors to the City.

Councilmember Donelson asked if Ms. Winchell would like to see the murals located in Knob Hill to be downtown. Ms. Winchell stated she feels the artists in Knob Hill have done a remarkable job of making the Platte Avenue corridor more vibrant.

Ms. McClure identified the murals she created in the Knob Hill Urban Art District and how those pieces launched her into the art community, the importance of the freedom of speech, and the energy which has gone into creating beauty in the area.

Councilmember Leinweber presented the murals which have been located on the side of the building of Westside Tattoo and stated there is incredible positive value of having murals, but understands people being offended by them as well. Ms. McClure stated they are working toward getting permission from the artist to cover the FyL Jackk memorial mural located in Knob Hill. Councilmember Henjum stated the family, whose son was murdered, is working on moving that mural to another location.

Councilmember Donelson asked what authority the Knob Hill Urban Arts District has within the neighborhood. Ms. McClure stated they are a non-profit organization, many murals go up with the events they have planned, and provided an overview of how they will manage future murals.

Councilmember Donelson asked if there was a restriction regarding a 501c3 organization identifying as a district. Ben Bolinger, Assistant City Attorney, stated he has not researched that but does not believe there is because there are very few words regulated by the government.

Councilmember Leinweber requested that Mr. Mayberry be more involved with advising muralists regarding their proposed murals.

7.B. [23-348](#) Agenda Planner Review

Presenter:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: [Agenda Planner Review 7-10-23](#)

Councilmember Donelson asked if the Kettle Creek North appeal scheduled for the July 25, 2023 City Council meeting will be postponed. Peter Wysocki, Planning and Community Development Director, stated the item will still appear on the agenda because an automatic one-time delay for two weeks is no longer authorized with the new RetoolCOS standards, but the appellant is seeking a postponement to September, and they will need to provide justification for the postponement to City Council. President Helms asked if City Council could discuss the request for postponement at the preceding Work Session. Ben Bolinger, Legislative Counsel, City Attorney's Office, stated City Council could not vote to postpone it at a Works Session but they are researching whether or not the intent to postpone could be discussed.

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk, stated the appellant for the Launchpad appeal scheduled for July 25, 2023 has also requested a postponement from staff and City Council has the discretion to postpone and to what meeting it is postponed to.

Councilmember Donelson asked how City Council will know if an appellant has requested a postponement. Mr. Wysocki stated they will let City Council know as soon as they have that information.

8. Items for Introduction

- 8.A. [23-347](#)** A Resolution declaring the intention of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, to hold a Special Municipal Election and to participate in a Coordinated Election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, and

providing the effective date of this resolution.

Presenter:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: [Intent to Participate Resolution](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 106-23.pdf](#)

Sarah B Johnson, City Clerk, presented the Resolution declaring the intention of participating in the November 7, 2023 Coordinated Election with El Paso County. She stated this Resolution is the procedural first step to place an item on the ballot.

Mayor Yemi stated it is his intent to place a Taxpayer Bill of Rights (TABOR) excess revenue of five million dollars retention item on the November ballot in order to provide funding for a new Colorado Springs Police Department (CSPD) training academy facility.

Adrian Vasquez, Chief, (CSPD), explained the need for a new policy academy in order to increase staffing and provide adequate training to CSPD recruits.

President Helms asked when construction would begin. Chief Vasquez stated they are currently looking at properties and estimates it would take approximately two to three years.

Councilmember Donelson asked what the cost of the project will be. Chief Vasquez stated it would depend on if it will be a renovation of an existing building or a new build. Mayor Yemi stated that based on the research of other jurisdictions, it could cost approximately \$30 to \$40 million. Councilmember Donelson stated that this is requesting to keep the taxpayer's refund for a small portion of the cost of the project so the City will still have to come up with how to pay for the rest of it. He stated does not want to wear out their welcome and continuously go to the well once too often because the last time they requested to keep the taxpayers' refund was for fire mitigation in which the City paid the full \$2 million, and he does not support this initiative.

Councilmember Avila stated that not everyone would receive the refund, but everyone in the community would benefit from a new police training facility.

Councilmember Talarico asked if there was any funding already available

for this project. Chief Vasquez stated there is currently \$1.8 million available.

Councilmember Donelson asked if there were any other ballot initiatives for the November 2023 election. Mayor Yemi stated this is the main one he would like to accomplish.

Councilmember Risley asked if there have been any conversations with the career development, workforce development, or school districts in regard to career pathways in law enforcement and criminal justice. Chief Vasquez confirmed they have with a robust recruiting program which they have in place.

Councilmember Risley asked when the City would be required to pay El Paso County. Ms. Johnson stated that this item does not obligate the City to participate, it is just the intent which authorizes the City Clerk to provide notice to El Paso County which must be provided on or before July 28, 2023 and then on August 25, 2023, they will present an Intergovernmental Agreement which will contain the estimated cost to be considered for approval by Council. She stated the ballot language will come before Council in August or September 2023.

President Helms asked if there is an estimated cost. Ms. Johnson stated it depends on how many jurisdictions participate and the County does not have that number yet.

Councilmember Henjum stated she supports the intent of putting this initiative on the ballot and asked if there could be some cost sharing with regional jurisdictions in building a regional facility. Chief Vasquez stated that explored that in the past and experienced some barriers but will explore that option again.

Councilmember Risley stated that he would like more information regarding the total cost of the plan before he votes for it.

8.B. [23-308](#)

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado approving the Amended and Restated Consolidated Service Plan for Hancock Metropolitan District Nos. 1 & 2, for a district located in the Vicinity of Hancock Expressway and Chelton Road in Southeastern Colorado Springs.

Presenter:

Mike Tassi, Assistant Director, Planning and Community Development
Department

Peter Wysocki, Planning and Community Development Director

Attachments: [Resolution](#)

[Amended and Restated Consolidated Service Plan](#)

[Amended and Restated Consolidated Service Plan Redline Version](#)

[Staff Presentation](#)

[Service Plan Amendment Presentation](#)

[Signed Resolution No. 97-23.pdf](#)

Mike Tassi, Assistant Director, Planning and Community Development Department, presented the Resolution approving an amended and restated service plan for the Hancock Metropolitan District Nos. 1 and 2, for a district located in the vicinity of Hancock Expressway and Chelton Road. He provided an overview of the vicinity map, summary, district boundaries, development approval status, concept plan, mill levy caps, improvement costs, authorized debt, operations/maintenance functions, questions/comments from the Budget Committee, and next steps.

Councilmember Henjum asked if there were any recommendations from the Budget Committee. President Helms stated the Budget Committee did not have any concerns with this proposal.

Councilmember Henjum asked what the maturity of the district boards were and what will happen to the composition of the boards by mixing residential and commercial. Ray O'Sullivan, representing the district, provided an overview of the current board and stated there will be a mechanism in place to allow future homeowners to eventually control the board.

8.C. [23-312](#)

A Resolution Approving the Issuance of Debt by Copper Ridge Metropolitan District in the form of a General Obligation and Revenue Supported Improvement Loan, series 2023 (Tax-Exempt Bank Loan) in the principal amount of up to \$20,770,000.
(Legislative Item)

Presenter:

Mike Tassi, Assistant Director, Planning and Community Development
Peter Wysocki, Director of Planning and Community Development

Attachments: [Resolution](#)
[City Council Letter Debt Issuance](#)
[Staff Presentation](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 98-23.pdf](#)

Mike Tassi, Assistant Director, Planning and Community Development, provided a summary of the request for the issuance of debt not to exceed \$20,770,000 by the Copper Ridge Metropolitan District. He presented the district location map, district history, allocation of proceeds, questions presented from the Budget Committee, and next steps.

President Helms gave a brief overview of the unanimously approved by Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA) proposed Powers Boulevard extension project.

Councilmember Henjum asked if the bonded funds would be reimbursed to the utilities for the relocation of the utility and fiber lines. Gayle Sturdivant, City Engineer/Interim Public Works Director, stated there are approximately \$4 million worth of utility costs associated with this project which is considered a City project therefore half will be paid by the City and half will be paid by utilities.

- 8.D.** [23-331](#) A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute and Administer an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority, El Paso County, The City of Colorado Springs, and Copper Ridge Metropolitan District Concerning Reimbursement for The Powers Boulevard Extension

Presenter:

Gayle Sturdivant, P.E., City Engineer/Interim Public Works Director
Travis Easton, P.E., Deputy Chief of Staff
Randy Helms, Councilor, PPRTA Board Chair

Attachments: [1_RES_Powers Blvd Extension Reimbursement Agreement_6-15-23](#)
[Copper Ridge MD 2023 - Powers Blvd Extension Reimbursement Agreement](#)
[3_Powers Funding Agreement Presentation](#)
[Signed Resolution No. 100-23.pdf](#)

Gayle Sturdivant, City Engineer/Interim Public Works Director, presented the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute and administer an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA), the City, and Copper Ridge Metropolitan District concerning reimbursement for the Powers Boulevard

extension. She provided an overview of the purpose, project description, location, funding plan, oversight, and benefits.

Councilmember Avila stated regarding the funding, and as board members of PPRTA, they need the opportunity to also look at some of the B projects. Ms. Sturdivant provided an overview of criteria for funding.

President Helms stated the City is at no risk for this project and believes this is a win/win situation.

Councilmember Leinweber requested additional information regarding how other roads will be positively impacted with this project. Ms. Sturdivant explained how this will increase mobility throughout City and they will provide additional information.

8.E. [23-307](#)

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado providing written consent authorizing the Bradley Heights Metropolitan District No. 2 to utilize eminent to complete the intersection of Bradley Road with Marksheffel Road in Southeastern Colorado Springs.

Presenter:

Mike Tassi, Assistant Director, Planning and Community Development Department

Peter Wysocki, Planning and Community Development Director

Attachments: [Resolution](#)

[Bradley Heights Amended & Restated Service Plan Pg 8](#)

[Parcel Description #2](#)

[Parcel Description #3](#)

[Marksheffel Road ROW Parcel](#)

[Context Map](#)

[Staff Presentation](#)

[Signed Resolution No. 105-23.pdf](#)

Mike Tassi, Assistant Director, Planning and Community Development Department, presented the Resolution authorizing the Bradley Heights Metropolitan District No. 2 to utilize eminent domain to complete the intersection of Bradley Road with Marksheffel Road. He gave an overview of the vicinity map, district boundaries, summary, details, context map, and next steps.

Councilmember Donelson requested additional information regarding if the

district used eminent domain to obtain these properties if they do not know who owns the properties. Mr. Tassi stated the district would have to offer fair market value of the properties. Kevin Walker, representing the district, stated the titles identified the properties are owned by a defunct corporate structure and the two principals who are eligible to sign for the properties have been contacted by mail, phone, and a third party and the district will make an offer to them based on the appraisal, but at this time, the principals are refusing to cooperate and are acting as if they do not own the properties.

Councilmember Avila asked if eminent domain is how the City addresses this type of out-of-state property owners who let the property decay. Mr. Tassi explained there are specific limits on the use of eminent domain.

- 8.F. [23-332](#) A Resolution Authorizing the Acquisition of a 0.503-Acre Permanent Easement from Welltower Colorado Properties, LLC Using PPRTA Funds for the West Fillmore Culvert Replacement Project

Presenter:

Gayle Sturdivant, P.E., City Engineer/Interim Public Works Director
Darlene Kennedy, Real Estate Services Manager

Attachments: [1 Location Map](#)
 [2 Resolution for Welltower Easement](#)
 [3 Resolution for Welltower Easement Exhibits A&B](#)
 [4 Fillmore - Well Tower Presentation 20230710](#)
 [Signed Resolution No. 101-23.pdf](#)

Gayle Sturdivant, City Engineer/Interim Public Works Director, presented the Resolution authorizing the acquisition of a 0.503-acre permanent easement from Welltower Colorado Properties, LLC using Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA) funds for the West Fillmore Culvert Replacement Project. She provided an overview of the project location, project limits, and permanent easement.

Councilmember Talarico asked what will happen to the assisted living center identified on the map. Ms. Sturdivant stated it is currently vacant, but they plan on putting an assisted living home there.

President Helms asked if they anticipate Welltower will accept the proposal. Ms. Sturdivant confirmed they do.

Councilmember Leinweber asked how stormwater will be affected by this project. Ms. Sturdivant illustrated how this culvert replacement was sized appropriately for this area's stormwater needs.

Councilmember Avila requested additional information regarding the differences between a culvert and a bridge. Ms. Sturdivant provided the specifications regarding the classifications of culverts and bridges.

8.G. 23-330

Rescind Resolution No. 99-23 by City Council in Favor of the City of Fountain's Request to Join the Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA) and Approve a Replacement Resolution Regarding the City of Fountain Becoming a New Member Government of the PPRTA

Presenter:

Travis Easton, P.E., Deputy Chief of Staff

Randy Helms, Councilor, PPRTA Board Chair

Attachments: 4_COS Resolution for Fountain Joining PPRTA_rev1_clean
4_COS Resolution for Fountain Joining PPRTA_rev1_redline
1_PPRTA Resolution for Fountain to Join PPRTA
2_Fountain Joining PPRTA Financial impact
3_Fountain Impact on PPRTA 3
5_Presentation on Fountain Joining PPRTA
Signed Resolution No. 99-23.pdf

Gayle Sturdivant, City Engineer/Interim Public Works Director presented the Resolution in favor of the City of Fountain's request to join the Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA). She provided an overview of the purpose, general information on the PPRTA, impacts, and staff recommendation.

Councilmember Henjum asked if the City of Fountain joins PPRTA, would they benefit from those dollars. Ms. Sturdivant confirmed they would because the funding is distributed based on population percentages.

Councilmember Risley stated he supports the proposal due to the regionalization it would provide and asked what the baseline would be for the City of Fountain's Maintenance of Effort. Ms. Sturdivant stated it is established for the first year which they joined and believes it would be 2023 for the City of Fountain.

Councilmember Risley asked if the City of Fountain's one cent sales tax for

transit would remain if they joined the PPRTA. Mayor Sharon Thompson, City of Fountain, stated they intend to keep their own transportation system and will not be joining Mountain Metropolitan Transit (MMT).

Councilmember Risley asked what if the City of Fountain decided to join MMT in twenty years. Scott Trainor, City Manager, City of Fountain, stated .15 percent of sales tax currently goes toward transit and if at some point they eliminated that it would be .15 of a percent which would drop off.

Councilmember Leinweber asked if there has been a poll taken regarding increasing the sales tax. Mayor Thompson stated they did conduct a survey regarding joining the PPRTA and it was supported by citizens.

8.H. [23-309](#)

Ordinance No. 23-33 amending Ordinance No. 22-90 (2023 Budget Appropriation Ordinance) for a supplemental appropriation to the 2C2-Road Repair, Maintenance and Improvement Fund in the amount of \$16,000,000 for additional capital expenditures identified for 2023

Presenter:

Chris Fiandaca, City Budget Manager

Travis Easton, P.E., Deputy Chief of Staff

Corey Farkas, Manager, Operations and Maintenance Division of Public Works

Attachments: [Ordinance for Supplemental Approp-2C2 Road Repair and Maint - Fund Balance - July 2023](#)

Chris Fiandaca, City Budget Manager, presented the Ordinance for a supplemental appropriation to the 2C/2C2-Road Repair, Maintenance and Improvement Fund in the amount of \$16 million for additional capital expenditures. She stated this represents an accumulation of sales tax revenue which exceeded the budget for 2021 and 2022.

Councilmember Henjum commented that many residents are frustrated with the conditions of their curbs and gutters which have not been addressed by 2C/2C2.

8.I. [23-342](#)

Ordinance No. 23-34 amending Part 5 (License Fees) and Section 1008 (Payment By Cash Or Guaranteed Funds) of Part 10 (Offenses; Failure To File, Pay) Both of Article 7 (Sales And Use Tax) of Chapter 2 (Business Licensing, Liquor Regulation and Taxation) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as Amended, pertaining to License Fees

Presenter:

Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: [23-342 - SalesTax-LicenseFeesORD-2023-06-02v2](#)

Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Ordinance amending City Code pertaining to the administration of sales tax in order to align with State of Colorado enacted SB 22-032 which prohibits local jurisdictions from charging a license fee or renewal fee from businesses who have incidental presence, primarily online retailers. She stated along with that requirement, they are also removing the charge for all sales tax licenses and the renewals for all vendors because they felt it was an unfair advantage for online retailers who did not have a physical presence within the City. She stated the financial impact to the City is approximately \$200,000 every other year and identified the other proposed changes to sales tax licensing to comply with State statutes.

Councilmember Henjum asked what the financial impact to the City would be. Ms. McDaniel stated \$200,000 every other year.

Councilmember Risley requested additional information regarding the definition language which states "The above materials when used in other forms or do not remain as an integral, inseparable, and permanent part of a completed structure are not construction and building materials." Ms. McDaniel stated this only reflects the section of the City Code which has been amended and she will provide the full information.

Councilmember Leinweber asked if the sales tax licensing process is automated. Ms. McDaniel provided a brief overview of their sales tax licensing software which provides an online option for applicants, but they do still have a manual option.

Councilmember Leinweber asked if the temporary sales tax license has an expiration date. Ms. McDaniel stated they will provide that information.

- 8.J. [23-343](#) Ordinance No. 23-35 amending Part 9 (Administration) of Article 7 (Sales And Use Tax) of Chapter 2 (Business Licensing, Liquor Regulation And Taxation) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as Amended, pertaining to Sales And Use Tax Administration

Presenter:

Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: [23-343 - SalesUseTax-AdministrationORD-2023-05-22](#)

Please see comments in Agenda item 8.I.

- 8.K. [23-344](#) Ordinance No. 23-36 amending Multiple Sections of Article 7 (Sales And Use Tax) and Article 12 (Economic Development Agreements) of Chapter 2 (Business Licensing, Liquor Regulation And Taxation) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as Amended, pertaining to Sales and Use Tax of Construction and Building Materials

Presenter:

Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: [23-344 - SalesTax-ConstructionCH2-ORD-2023-5-22 \(004\)](#)

Please see comments in Agenda item 8.I.

- 8.L. [23-345](#) Ordinance No. 23-37 amending Sections 201 (Definitions) and 213 (Economic Development Agreements) of Part 2 (General Provisions) of Article 1 (Municipal Airport) of Chapter 14 (Municipal Enterprises) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as Amended, pertaining to Sales and Use Tax of Construction and Building Materials

Presenter:

Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: [23-345 - SalesTax-ConstructionCH14-ORD-2023-1-19](#)

Please see comments in Agenda item 8.I.

9. Items Under Study

There were no Items Under Study.

10. Councilmember Reports and Open Discussion

Councilmember Risley stated he attended the Girl Scouts Highest and Best awards ceremony, Peak Vista Community Health Center announcement event for their annual speaker, Colorado Springs Chamber and EDC Superintendent Round Table Discussion regarding workforce development and has been meeting with Colorado Springs Utilities and City staff regarding the process and procedures for annexations and development.

Councilmember Henjum stated she attended the Peak Vista Breakfast, Bike-to-Work Day, bike ride with Allen Beauchamp, Trails and Open Space Coalition, and several others on Legacy Loop, and the Colorado Springs Fire Department (CSFD) graduation.

Councilmember Avila stated she attended unveiling of the sculpture at Panorama Park, Bike-to-Work Day, Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo Parade, and she will be hosting a Town Hall meeting on July 13, 2023 regarding the closure of Kings Soopers on South Academy Boulevard and Hancock Expressway.

Councilmember Donelson asked City Council to look at the murals in Knob Hills through the eyes of a family which cannot afford to move and that \$25 to \$30 of Taxpayer Bill of Rights refund to their utility bill is still important to many families.

Councilmember Talarico stated she attended the Bike-to-Work Day, Downtown Development Authority Board orientation, CSFD graduation, and Utilities Policy Advisory Committee (UPAC) meeting, she hosted a District 3 Town Hall meeting with Colorado Springs Utilities and encouraged everyone to attend The Place Breakfast Under the Bridge event on Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 7:30 AM. She stated she is looking at the TABOR refund through the lens of the public which has adamantly expressed that City Council look at public safety.

Councilmember Leinweber stated he attended the Pikes Peak International Hill Climb, the breakfast and Fountain Creek Watershed District meeting, and commented on the huge amount of trash along downstream Fountain Creek which needs to be addressed. He stated he has met with several organizations and is preparing a document on mental health which he will be sharing with City Council.

President Helms stated the City Council retreat was very productive, he attended the Dunkin' Donuts grand opening ribbon cutting ceremony, Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo Parade, and encouraged citizens to attend the rodeo which will be held this week starting tomorrow, July 11, 2023.

11. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before City Council, Council adjourned.

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk