



# City of Colorado Springs

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## Meeting Minutes Council Work Session

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Monday, October 23, 2017

1:00 PM

Council Chambers

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### 1. Call to Order

**Present** 9 - Councilmember Yolanda Avila, Councilmember Merv Bennett, President Pro Tem Jill Gaebler, Councilmember David Geislinger, Councilmember Don Knight, Councilmember Bill Murray, Councilmember Andy Pico, President Richard Skorman, and Councilmember Tom Strand

### 2. Changes to Agenda

There were no changes to the Agenda.

### 3. Regular Meeting Comments

There were no regular meeting comments.

### 4. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

4.A. [17-1297](#) City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes October 9, 2017

Presenter:  
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

**Attachments:** [10-9-2017 City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes Final](#)

The minutes of the October 9, 2017 Work Session meeting were approved by Consensus of Council.

### 5. Executive Session

#### 5A. Open

There was no Open Executive Session.

#### 5B. Closed

There was no Closed Executive Session.

### 6. Staff and Appointee Reports

6.A. [17-949](#) Strategic Plan Report

Presenter:

Nina Vetter, Strategic Plan & Business Process Administrator, Finance

**Attachments:** [Quarter 3 report 10-15](#)

Nina Vetter, Strategic Plan & Business Process Administrator, Finance, presented the third quarter Strategic Plan Progress Report for 2017 which contains a new format to include information that identifies the source of data. Ms. Vetter highlighted that four hundred downtown housing units have either been completed or are underway since 2016, that progress has been made in replacing Information Technology (IT) end-of-use infrastructure, that the wildfire mitigation team has mitigated nearly 1,400 acres, that progress has been made for recruiting on boards and commissions, and that the research regarding Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance within City facilities is almost complete.

Councilmember Strand asked for a breakdown of housing units that are single family versus multi-family. Ms. Vetter stated that she will provide that information. Councilmember Strand commented that the Colorado Springs Police Department response time to priority one calls continues to get worse.

Councilmember Murray suggested that a balance should be identified in the Strategic Plan Report such as the best and the worst of the issues in order to work toward resolving them.

Councilmember Avila said that even though ADA compliance is being met throughout City facilities, it is not always practical. Ms. Vetter said the first step is finishing all the City facility assessments.

Councilmember Murray asked what makes up the 97.8 percent Code Enforcement Compliance for property maintenance complaints by voluntary compliance. Ms. Vetter said it is based on the number of individuals who have voluntarily complied upon being notified of the violation.

**6.B.** [16-700](#) Agenda Planner Review

Presenter:

Eileen Lynch Gonzalez, City Council Administrator

**Attachments:** [102317 Agenda Planner Review MEMO](#)

Eileen Lynch Gonzalez, City Council Administrator, stated that the items for the November 27, 2017 City Council work session relating to Resolutions fixing and certifying tax levies for taxes payable in 2018 will be updated as information is received.

Councilmember Murray asked for a discussion of Special Improvement Maintenance Districts and the aspects of dissolution at a future Work Session meeting. Marc Smith, Division Chief-Corporate Legislative Counsel, stated that they will provide information to Council regarding these districts. Councilmember Geislinger stated there is also concern regarding the administration of Business Improvement Districts and what role City Council has in addressing the items that come before Council.

Councilmember Knight requested that the first reading of the 2018 budget on November 28, 2017 be added to the Agenda Planner.

## **7. Presentations for General Information**

### **7.A. [17-1303](#) Pikes Peak United Way 2017 Campaign Update**

Presenter:

Renai Albaugh, Manager of Resource Development; Cindy Aubrey, CEO, Pikes Peak United Way

**Attachments:** [102317 PPUW briefing](#)

Renai Albaugh, Manager of Resource Development, Pikes Peak United Way, gave a brief explanation of the Pikes Peak United Way 2-1-1 program, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, and Colorado Springs Promise program. Adrienne D'Alo, a member of the Community Impact Department of Pikes Peak United Way, identified several of United Way's partner agencies. Ms. Albaugh also provided an update of the Pikes Peak United Way 2017 Giving Campaign.

## **8. Items for Introduction**

### **8.A. [17-1288](#) An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 16-116 (2017 Appropriation Ordinance) for a supplemental appropriation to the Following Federal Entitlement Grants: Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$139,970, Emergency Solutions Grant in the amount of \$9,506, and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program in the amount of \$35,208.**

Presenter:

Steve Posey, HUD Program Administrator, Community Development

Division

Jennifer Vance, Grants Manager, Finance

**Attachments:** [Ordinance for CDBG-HOME-ESG Supplemental \(2\)](#)

Steve Posey, HUD Program Administrator, Community Development Division, stated the City received \$185,000 more than they anticipated for the 2017 annual entitlement of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. Mr. Posey presented a video illustrating how some of the funds are used throughout the community. Mr. Posey stated the CDBG funds increase will be split between affordable housing activities and public facilities activities.

Councilmember Knight said the Budget Committee agreed with the proposed supplemental appropriation.

Councilmember Murray asked if more of the additional funds could be allocated to the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). Mr. Posey said that identifying what funds could be given to the homeless effort is currently being discussed.

Jennifer Vance, Grants Manager, Finance said the appropriations being requested are \$139,970 for CDBG, \$9,506 for ESG and \$35,208 for HOME Investment Partnerships Program.

- 8.B.**    [17-1198](#)    A Resolution Amending City Council Resolution 84-17 Adjusting the Size and Value of Real Property for Expansion of the Corral Bluffs Open Space

Presenter:

Karen Palus, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

Britt Haley, Parks Design and Development Manager

**Attachments:** [Corral Bluffs Addition Resolution Amendment FINAL](#)

[Corral Bluffs Addition Exhibits A and B](#)

[Resolution No. 84-17](#)

[Signed Resolution 118-17](#)

Britt Haley, Parks Design and Development Manager presented the request to adjust the size and value of real property for the expansion of the Corral Bluffs Open Space. Ms. Haley stated the acreage was originally identified as approximately 85 acres for \$570,000, but is actually closer to approximately 80 acres which changes the purchase price to \$540,000.

Councilmember Bennett and President Skorman expressed that this property is a great addition to the City's Trails, Open Space and Parks (TOPS) program and is worth preserving.

Councilmember Knight asked if there is way to include a property size range in future Resolutions to avoid having to come back to Council with an adjustment. Marc Smith, Division Chief-Corporate Legislative Counsel, said they will include that in future requests.

- 8.C.**    [17-1292](#)    A Resolution Accepting a Donation of Real Property Consisting of Approximately 0.81 Acres and a Permanent Access Easement from B & K LLC to the City of Colorado Springs.

Presenter:

Karen Palus, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services  
Britt Haley, Parks Design and Development Manager  
Aaron Egbert, Senior Civil Engineer

**Attachments:**    [RES-BK\\_DonationsRES-2017-10-16](#)

[Exhibit A 10-23-17 - KumarHeights](#)

[Signed Resolution 119-17](#)

Britt Haley, Parks Design and Development Manager, presented the request accepting a donation of real property for the Academy Boulevard Bridge at Cottonwood Creek Rehabilitation Project. Ms. Haley said in the process of the Public Works Department identifying where construction materials would be available to be staged, Mr. Kumar offered the donation of the property.

There were no comments on this item.

## **9. Items Under Study**

There were no Items Under Study.

## **10. Councilmember Reports and Open Discussion**

Councilmember Strand stated that he attended the dedication ceremony of the Cimarron Street and I-25 bridge to Navy Lieutenant James "Jim" Downing who is a survivor of the Pearl Harbor attack. Councilmember Strand also visited the Charles Tutt Library at Colorado College, attended the annual City Employee Service Awards reception and the ribbon cutting ceremony at Catalyst Campus for the Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC).

Councilmember Knight requested items 4.B.G., 4.B.H., and 4.B.I. pertaining to the amendments to the Bradley Ranch Master Plan be removed from the Consent Calendar because he does not support transitioning 120 acres of commercial land use to residential property.

Councilmember Murray announced that Councilmember Avila won a national Trailblazer Award from Emerge America.

## **11. Adjourn**

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

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk