



City of Colorado Springs

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Meeting Minutes City Council

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Tuesday, February 10, 2015

1:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

Present: 8 - Councilmember Larry Bagley, President Pro Tem Merv Bennett, Councilmember Helen Collins, Councilmember Jill Gaebler, President Keith King, Councilmember Don Knight, Councilmember Andy Pico, and Councilmember Val Snider

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Jan Martin

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was led by Councilmember Bennett.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council President King.

3. Changes to Agenda/Postponements

Eileen Gonzalez, City Council Administrator, stated under Council rule 312, agenda item 11.B. will be included on the Consent Calendar with Council President King's consent. Council President King provided his consent.

Agenda item 12.A., included on today's agenda in error, will be postponed to the February 24, 2015 meeting.

Agenda item 12.D. was added to the revised agenda late last week; copies of the agenda including this item are available in the foyer.

4. Councilmember Comments

Councilmember Bennett asked Sarah Johnson, City Clerk to remind everyone about the deadlines for the April 7, 2015 City Election. Ms. Johnson stated tomorrow, February 11, 2015 at 5 pm is the deadline to file a petition to run for Mayor or City Council. The ballot position drawing will be Thursday February 12 at 1:30 pm in the City Administration Building Suite 102.

Councilmember Bagley brought two articles to Council's attention; one regarding the Tuskegee Airman, and the other about the passing of the

oldest surviving Pearl Harbor Veteran. He reminded everyone to express appreciation to our veterans.

5. 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.)

5A. Second Presentation:

- 5A.A.** [15-0042](#) Ordinance No. 15-10 amending the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs relating to 7.71 acres located in the northeastern corner of the Banning Lewis Ranch, south of Woodman Road and south of Rolling Thunder Way.
(Quasi-Judicial Matter)
Res/Ord Number: 15-10

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

- 5A.B.** [15-0043](#) Ordinance No. 15-11 amending the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs relating to 529.45 acres located at the southwest corner of the Bradley Road and Marksheffel Road intersection in the southern portion of Banning Lewis Ranch.
(Quasi-Judicial Matter)
Res/Ord Number: 15-11

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

- 5A.C.** [14-0341](#) Ordinance No. 15-12 submitting charter amendments to the electors of the city for the general municipal election to be held April 7, 2015 relating to City Council direction and supervision of Auditor and legislative employees
Res/Ord Number: 15-12

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

5B. First Presentation:

- 5B.A.** [15-00126](#) City Council Meeting Minutes January 27, 2015

This agenda item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

5B.B. [14-0668](#) Boards and Commissions

This agenda item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

11.B. [14-0748](#) Ordinance No. 15-14 amending the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs relating to 8.37 acres located at 501 and 505 Castle Road, 2925 King Street, 525 30th Street and 415 Wilhelmia Street
(Quasi-Judicial Matter)
Res/Ord Number: 15-14

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion by President Pro Tem Bennett, seconded by Councilmember Pico, 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.

Aye: 8 - Bagley, Bennett, Collins, Gaebler, King, Knight, Pico, and Snider

Excused: 1 - Martin

6. Recognitions

There were no Recognitions.

7. Citizen Discussion

Citizen Michael Tozier spoke about the financial burden C4C will place on the children of the City and spoke in opposition of C4C.

Citizen Deborah Stout-Meinger reminded Council that every dollar spent is tax payer money and encouraged Council to be accountable for money spent by the Urban Renewal Authority.

Citizen George Borja representing the ATU transit drivers' union thanked Council for approving the 2015 transit budget and supporting public transportation in our community.

Citizen Kyleah Daily with the community transit coalition requested Council work to achieve the maintenance of effort as soon as possible.

Citizen Carl Strow spoke about corruption in the local government.

Citizen William Murray voiced his concerns about the City not releasing financial reports to the County so a third party evaluation of the C4C plans can be completed and transparency with the Urban Renewal Authority meetings.

Citizen Charles Barber spoke in opposition of the bond proposal presented by the Mayor.

8. Mayor's Business

8.A. [14-0777](#) Confirmation of one reappointment to the Colorado Springs Housing Authority Board Member

Mayor Bach provided an overview of Roland Laning's credentials and experience, recommending him for reappointment to the Colorado Springs Housing Authority Board.

Motion by President Pro Tem Bennett, seconded by Councilmember Gaebler, that the reappointment of Mr. Roland Laning to a five year term expiring April 1, 2020 on the Colorado Springs Housing Authority Board be approved. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1.

Aye: 8 - Bagley, Bennett, Collins, Gaebler, King, Knight, Pico, and Snider

Excused: 1 - Martin

8.B. [14-0776](#) Confirmation of one reappointment to the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority (CSURA) Board

Mayor Bach provided an overview of Valerie Hunter's credentials and experience and recommended her for reappointment to the CSURA Board.

Councilmember Collins stated she does not support this reappointment because of the recent resignation of, David Neville, member of the law firm representing the URA and because of the lack of transparency at Urban Renewal Authority meetings.

Councilmember Bennett stated citizen comments are included in the meeting minutes and requested Wynne Palermo, CSURA Board Chair, comment on the transparency of the URA meetings. Ms. Palermo stated all special meetings are open to the public and audio recordings and meeting minutes are available on line.

Motion by President Pro Tem Bennett, seconded by Councilmember Gaebler, that Mayor Bach's reappointment of Valerie Hunter for a five year term expiring April 1, 2020 to the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority Board be approved. The motion passed by a vote of 7-1-1.

Aye: 7 - Bagley, Bennett, Gaebler, King, Knight, Pico, and Snider

No: 1 - Collins

Excused: 1 - Martin

8.C. [15-00127](#) Confirmation of one appointment to the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority (CSURA) Board

Mayor Bach provided an overview of Zachary McComsey's credentials and stated he was selected for this appointment because of his experience and passion for Colorado Springs.

Councilmember Collins recused herself from the vote due to relations between herself and staff at the school that Mr. McComsey works for.

Council President King and Councilmember Knight endorsed Mr. McComsey.

Motion by President Pro Tem Bennett, seconded by Councilmember Gaebler, that Mayor Bach's appointment of Zachary McComsey for the remaining two year term expiring April 1, 2017 to the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority Board be approved. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0-2.

Aye: 7 - Bagley, Bennett, Gaebler, King, Knight, Pico, and Snider

Recused: 1 - Collins

Excused: 1 - Martin

9. Items Called Off Consent Calendar

There were no items called off the Consent Calendar.

10. Utilities Business

There was no Utilities Business.

11. Unfinished Business

11.A. [14-0765](#) Ordinance No. 15-13 amending Ordinance No. 13-77 (2014 Appropriation Ordinance) for a supplemental appropriation to the Lodgers & Auto Rental Tax (LART) Fund in the amount of \$434,000 for the final 2014 LART payment to the Colorado Springs Convention & Visitors Bureau

Res/Ord Number: 15-13

There were no questions or discussion regarding agenda item 11.A.

Motion by President Pro Tem Bennett, seconded by Councilmember Gaebler, that the ordinance approving a supplemental appropriation to the Lodgers & Auto

Rental Tax (LART) Fund in the amount of \$434,000 for the final 2014 LART payment to the Colorado Springs Convention & Visitors Bureau be finally passed. The motion passed by a vote of 7-1-1.

Aye: 7 - Bagley, Bennett, Gaebler, King, Knight, Pico, and Snider

No: 1 - Collins

Excused: 1 - Martin

12. New Business

- 12.A.** [14-0398](#) Ordinance No. 15-17 amending Section 203 (Duties) and Section 204 (Emergency Operations Plan) of Part 2 (Office of Emergency Management) of Article 7 (Emergency Management) of Chapter 8 (Public Safety) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended pertaining to approval of the City's Emergency Operations Plan

Res/Ord Number: 15-17

Motion by Councilmember Knight, seconded by President Pro Tem Bennett, that the Ordinance be postponed to a date certain, the February 24, 2015 City Council meeting. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1.

Aye: 8 - Bagley, Bennett, Collins, Gaebler, King, Knight, Pico, and Snider

Excused: 1 - Martin

- 12.B.** [14-0778](#) A Resolution approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Colorado Springs and the Regents of the University of Colorado, a body corporate, for and on behalf of the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs (UCCS), allowing UCCS officers to enforce all of Colorado Springs' Municipal Codes and expand their enforcement area within the city of Colorado Springs.

Res/Ord Number: 11-15

Councilmember Knight stated he believes this is great regional work and expressed appreciation to CSPD Police Chief Peter Carey and UCCS Police Chief Brian McPike for the work being done on this and stated they have followed up with his questions from the work session.

Councilmember Pico added this is an expansion of an existing collaboration, not something new.

Motion by President Pro Tem Bennett, seconded by Councilmember Snider, that the Resolution be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 8-0-1.

Aye: 8 - Bagley, Bennett, Collins, Gaebler, King, Knight, Pico, and Snider

Excused: 1 - Martin

- 12.C. [15-0053](#) A resolution approving the retention of Watershed Investment Consultants, Inc., as investment advisor for the Colorado Springs Health Foundation

Res/Ord Number: 12-15

Councilmember Bennett explained this measure takes the CSHF to the next logical level. The Foundation has done their due diligence selecting an investment firm and met with Councilmembers regarding this selection. He thanked Jon Medved for the work done by the CSHF Board.

Jon Medved, Chairman of the CSHF Board, provided an overview of the process the board went through to select an investment advisor for the foundation.

Motion by President Pro Tem Bennett, seconded by Councilmember Pico, that the resolution be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 7-1-1.

Aye: 7 - Bagley, Bennett, Gaebler, King, Knight, Pico, and Snider

No: 1 - Collins

Excused: 1 - Martin

Councilmember Martin arrived.

- 12.D. [15-0054](#) A resolution approving the nomination of Caroline Davis for the position of Executive Director of the Colorado Springs Health Foundation and approving a salary of \$115,000 for the position

Res/Ord Number: 13-15

Jon Medved, Chairman of the CSHF Board, presented a summary of the selection process to choose a CEO for the CSHF. Mr. Medved provided a summary of Ms. Davis' experience and credentials.

Bret Waters, Deputy Chief of Staff added that Mayor Bach also endorses this selection.

Motion by President Pro Tem Bennett, seconded by Councilmember Gaebler, that the Resolution be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 8-1-0.

Aye: 8 - Bagley, Bennett, Gaebler, King, Knight, Martin, Pico, and Snider

No: 1 - Collins

13. Public Hearing

There was not a Public hearing.

14. Added Item Agenda

There were no Added Agenda Items.

15. Executive Session

There was not an Executive Session.

16. Adjourn

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

Sarah B. Johnson
City Clerk