



# City of Colorado Springs

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## Meeting Minutes Council Work Session

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Monday, March 25, 2019

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**

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk, stated item 7.A. Overview of Exponential Impact and Review of XI18 will be taken before item 5.B.A. Closed Executive Session.

Consensus of Council agreed to this change on the agenda.

### **3. Regular Meeting Comments**

There were no regular meeting comments.

### **4. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes**

**4.A.** [19-180](#) City Council Work Session Minutes March 11, 2019

Presenter:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

**Attachments:** [3-11-19 City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes Final.pdf](#)

The minutes of the March 11, 2019 Work Session meeting were approved by Consensus of Council.

### **5. Executive Session**

#### **5A. Open**

**5A.A.** [19-182](#) Sigmund J. Wilson v. Brent J. Jacobsen and City of Colorado Springs  
2019CV030201

The Civil Action Investigation Committee has recommended that the City represent the Officer as required by the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act and the Peace Officer's Liability Act. The Officer was acting in the course and scope of his employment, and was acting in good faith. As usual, it is recommended that the City reserve the right not to pay any award of punitive damages.

Presenter:

Wynetta Massey, City Attorney

Attachments: [2019-03-08-Council Memo.pdf](#)

Marc Smith, Corporate Division Chief, Office of the City Attorney, stated with the recommendation of the Civil Action Investigation Committee, the City is requesting authorization to defend.

President Skorman polled City Council regarding authorizing the City to represent the Officer. Consensus of City Council agreed.

## **5B. Closed**

### **5B.A. [19-156](#)**

In accord with City Charter art. III, § 3-60(d) and its incorporated Colorado Open Meetings Act, C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b) and (d), the City Council, in Open Session, is to determine whether it will hold a Closed Executive Session. The issues to be discussed involve (1) legal advice from the City Attorney regarding a claim and (2) specialized details of security arrangements or investigations.

The President of Council shall poll the City Councilmembers, and, upon consent of two-thirds of the members present, may hold a Closed Executive Session. If consent to the Closed Executive Session is not given, the item(s) may be discussed in Open Session or withdrawn from consideration.

Presenter:

Wynetta Massey, City Attorney/Chief Legal Advisory

Attachments: [03252019ExecSession](#)

Marc Smith, Corporate Division Chief, Office of the City Attorney, stated in accord with City Charter art. III, § 3-60(d) and its incorporated Colorado Open Meetings Act, C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e), the City Council, in Open Session, is to determine whether it will hold a Closed Executive Session. The issues to be discussed involve (1) legal advice from the City Attorney regarding a claim and (2) specialized details of security arrangements or investigations.

President Skorman polled City Council regarding the desire to proceed with a Closed Executive Session. At least two-thirds of City Council agreed to proceed in Closed Executive Session.

## **6. Staff and Appointee Reports**

### **6.A. [19-179](#) Agenda Planner Review**

Presenter:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

**Attachments:** [Agenda Planner Review 3-25-19.pdf](#)

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk, stated there are not as many items on the Agenda Planner for the next month due to the interim period between the current City Council and the new City Council starting the second week of April 2019.

There were no comments on this item.

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

### **7.A. [19-104](#) Overview of Exponential Impact and Review of XI18**

Presenter:

Hannah Parsons, CEO of Exponential Impact

**Attachments:** [Exponential Impact.pptx](#)

Hannah Parsons, Chief Executive Officer, Exponential Impact, provided an overview of Exponential Impact and their XI Accelerator program. She identified the Board of Directors and staff and stated the \$1M seed fund is through Tech Ventures COS, LLC. She gave an overview of the accomplishments in 2018 and reviewed their goals for 2019.

Councilmember Murray asked if they are involved with Go Code Colorado. Ms. Parsons stated she is on the board of the Business Intelligence Center which operates Go Code Colorado and there are a couple of businesses within the state that are looking at specific blockchain applications as it applies to public records.

Councilmember Strand requested the definition of a startup business that would qualify for funding. Ms. Parsons stated it would have a tech platform, it can be pre-revenue, but their sources of revenue need to be identified, it would have a plan to scale, and multiple founders are not a requirement,

but is beneficial.

Councilmember Pico requested additional information regarding Bytable and blockchain food tracing. Ms. Parsons gave examples of food and compliance tracking in the food industry and said it is expanding to other supply chain industries.

## **8. Items for Introduction**

There were no Items for Introduction.

## **9. Items Under Study**

There were no Items Under Study.

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

President Pro Tem Gaebler requested permission to attend the 2019 Colorado Municipal League (CML) conference. Consensus of City Council agreed.

Councilmember Knight stated he has received jury duty notice for March 26, 2019 so he is unsure if he will be in attendance for the regular City Council meeting.

Councilmember Avila encouraged blind and visually impaired citizens to utilize the ADA accessible voting mechanisms located in the City Clerk's Office at the City Administration Building. She also spoke about the neighborhood meetings she attends in her district and said the issues that are discussed the most often include sidewalks, roads, infrastructure, and transit.

## **11. Adjourn**

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

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk