

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MAYOR: Tonita Gurulé-Girón

COUNCILORS: David A. Ulibarri Jr.
Vince Howell
Barbara A Casey
David L. Romero

ALSO PRESENT: Richard Trujillo, City Manager
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk
H. Chico Gallegos, City Attorney
Kenneth Jenkins, Sergeant at Arms

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for a moment of silence for the family of Police Chief Montano, the Martinez family and the Saiz family.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Howell made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilor Romero seconded the motion.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

David L. Romero	Yes	Vince Howell	Yes
Barbara A Casey	Yes	David A. Ulibarri Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Bob Wessely spoke to the Governing Body regarding drought projection for the community and the potential fire around the Gallinas Water Shed. Mr. Wessely encouraged the Governing Body to reconsider the Storrie Lake storage agreement to ensure the community has enough water.

CITY MANAGER'S INFORMATIONAL REPORT

City Manager Trujillo advised the Governing Body that the City was donated fifty tons of milling by the New Mexico Department of Transportation that will be utilized in some of the problem alleys and dirt roads that get washed away during rain storms. City Manager Trujillo asked that if any members of the Governing Body had any locations in mind to contact him or Public Works. City Manager Trujillo wanted to recognize the departments that offer their help when it is needed.

City Manager Trujillo advised currently there is one employee that handles identifying violations throughout the community. City Manager Trujillo stated he will be working to get more staff in code enforcement.

City Manager Trujillo advised he has been visiting with the new Keep America Beautiful (KAB) Coordinator and they are actively working to clean up areas around the community.

City Manager Trujillo advised he has met with Community Development Director Velarde and discussed the deliverables within contracts to organizations are being duplicated and he feels that it is easy to do when the organization is unsure of the direction the City wants to take. City Manager Trujillo advised that he will be meeting with local organizations that receive funding from the City.

City Manager Trujillo advised that he and County Manager Montoya were asked to present at the Interstate Commission for the regional water plan in Santa Fe. The presentation is about Santa Rosa, Mora, Pecos and will include hydrological studies that have been done. City Manager Trujillo advised he feels there was an outstanding amount of contributions and support from area groups.

City Manager Trujillo asked for Deputy Chief Jenkins and Community Development Director Velarde to report on the 2016 Rough Rider Motorcycle Rally.

Deputy Chief Jenkins briefly spoke to the Governing Body of the process of preparing for the biker rally where the Police Department develops an incident preparedness plan. Deputy Chief Jenkins advised a lot of time and discussion take place during the planning stages. Deputy Chief Jenkins advised this year

for the rally the department was able to add an additional eighty five officers through contracting with neighboring agencies. Deputy Chief Jenkins advised he and Chief Montano felt it was better to have more officer presence and not need them than to need the additional help and not have them. Due to the current situation going on around the country involving officer shootings, the extra presence was welcomed.

Community Development Director Velarde advised the Governing Body of the estimated number of attendees to the rally and the advertisement that went into promoting the event.

City Manager Trujillo advised he enjoyed the event and how the City approached the Rally members and asked how the City could help with the event and he felt if the City had been involved sooner the event had the potential to be bigger.

Councilor Casey advised the only complaint she received was that there was no poker run for the bikers. Councilor Casey also advised she felt the community went above and beyond to make the bikers feel welcome.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Out of State travel to Broomfield, Colorado October 26-29th.

Deputy Chief Jenkins advised the original training that had been scheduled for July 25-29th and was cancelled due to lack of enrollment, Less than Lethal training is a requirement by ATF (Alcohol, Tobacco, & Firearms) to finalize a purchase of less than lethal products from Combined Tactical Systems. This training will provide training on the equipment purchased and will ensure proper use by police personnel. Deputy Chief Jenkins advised the initial cost of the training was to be paid from General Fund, but the department was able to find a grant that would cover the cost of the training.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

2. Out of State Travel for Children's Librarian professional Development.

Library Manager Ellis advised the Governing Body the Library Department would like to send the Children's Librarian for Professional Development to two separate one day conferences in Lakewood, Colorado. Library Manager Ellis advised the travel costs would be paid from the Library's operating fund.

Councilor Casey advised she hears many compliments about the children's library and how they are actively encouraging early literacy.

Councilor Howell asked how the new ebooks are working at the library.

Utilities Director advised that the City was not a member of CES but could piggyback off their contract.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda.

5. Request to purchase one automated residential side loader garbage truck for the Solid Waste Division.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised this item is the same as the previous and purchase residential loader garbage truck. The purchase cost of truck is \$245,403.35.

Councilor Casey asked if the truck like new model cars will have all the bells and whistles that could require the operator to become accustomed to the vehicle.

Solid Waste Manager Marquez advised they asked for the basic model truck with AM/FM radio and basic heating and cooling.

Councilor Ulibarri asked if the drivers of the trucks are trained properly and not overworking the vehicle.

Solid Waste Manager Marquez advised the staff he has is very careful with their vehicles and are trained.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

6. Award request for proposal #2017-05 for water rights consulting and legal services to selected proposer.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised the City requires legal representation and consulting services regarding water rights from a water specific legal firm. There were three proposals received and opened and the department is recommending awarding proposal and negotiating for legal services with Domenici Law Firm.

Councilor Casey asked if the Governing Body would be provided the ranking information and the proposals that were received.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised the experience and staff knowledge within the firm was used in the ranking.

Councilor Howell asked why the City wanted to retain a new water rights firm and hydrologist.

City Manager Trujillo advised that prior to him being hired he was aware of the biggest issue he would encounter which was the Storrie Lake agreement. City Manager Trujillo advised he met with the water right attorney Rebecca Demsey

and City Hydrologist Mustafa on the agreement and wanted Ms. Demsey to be objective to the content and she mentioned that she could not be objective as the agreement was her work. City Manager Trujillo advised that in order for him to do his due diligence he had to bring in another attorney that could objectively review the content of the agreement.

Councilor Howell advised he was confused about City Manager Trujillo's statement that the current water rights attorney would not be objective and why City Manager Trujillo did not feel comfortable with Mustafa as the hydrologist.

City Manager Trujillo advised he has several reasons for not being comfortable with Mustafa and felt the need to move forward with another hydrologist.

Discussion took place on if the received information from the firms would be presented to the Governing Body and the evaluations done.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

7. Award request for proposal #2017-06 for hydrologist professional consulting services to selected proposer.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised there were three proposals received and the department is looking to award the proposal to GlorietaGeo Sciences as they have a good historical knowledge of the City of Las Vegas.

Councilors Casey asked that the Governing Body receive copies of the proposals that were submitted.

Councilor Howell asked if departments needed to request permission to advertise for proposals.

City Manager Trujillo advised that departments didn't need approval to advertise proposals just approval to negotiate and award.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

8. Publication of Ordinance No. 16-01 for Water Trust Board 317 funding-Raw Water Conveyance pipeline project.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised the Raw Water Conveyance pipeline project consists of construction of a raw water conveyance feed pipeline from Peterson reservoir to Bradner reservoir. This will allow for the inlet and outlet to be in separate locations improving water quality prior to treatment. The Water Trust Board has awarded the City \$1,370,960 in grant/loan funding for the construction of the Raw Water Conveyance feed line. The funding agency requires the agreement to be adopted through ordinance.

Questions were asked about the matching funds and if the item could be placed on the consent agenda item.

City Clerk Fresquez advised the process of the adoption of an ordinance and advised the item could be placed on the consent agenda as it is for publication only.

Questions were asked why water could not be held in Bradner reservoir.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised the reasons why water could not be stored.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

9. Determination of the schedule dates of the Las Vegas Fourth of July Fiestas for the years 2017 through 2022.

Community Development Director Velarde and Events Planner/Film Liaison Marquez presented prospective dates along with projected costs for future Fourth of July events and asked the Governing Body to approve a resolution with the dates so the department can move forward planning the next fiesta event. Events Planner/Film Liaison Marquez advised the Governing Body that the department has also been looking at ways to keep overtime costs low throughout the fiesta with setup and take down occurring during normal working hours.

Councilor Howell asked if the department had consulted with the hotels and the restaurants when developing the fiestas dates and asked about the scheduling of the parade. Councilor Howell advised he had received comments regarding the parade.

Event Planner/Film Liaison Marquez advised she has met with local hotels but has not pooled information from the restaurants, and the department is trying to keep with tradition of holding the parade on Saturday.

Questions were asked about determining the payment to performers.

Community Development Director Velarde advised the amounts are set regardless of where the performer is from, she advised there are two categories such as A headliners and B headliners.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked that more advertisement be done to attract more local talent.

The Governing Body agreed to place the item as a consent agenda item.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Manager Trujillo asked the Governing Body to convene into Executive Session to discuss matters of pending litigation.

Councilor Howell made a motion to go into Executive Session. Councilor Ulibarri Jr. seconded the motion.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

Vince Howell	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes
Barbara A Casey	Yes	David A. Ulibarri Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

Councilor Howell made a motion to reconvene into regular session only matters discussed were pending litigation and no action was taken. Councilor Casey seconded the motion.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

Barbara A Casey	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes
Vince Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

Councilor Casey made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Howell seconded the motion.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

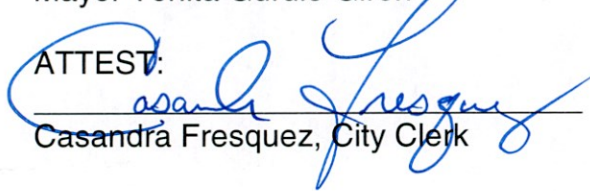
David A Ulibarri Jr.	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes
Vince Howell	Yes	Barbara A Casey	Yes

ADJOURN



Mayor Tonita Gurule-Giron

ATTEST:



Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk