

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD
ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL
CHAMBERS.**

MAYOR: Louie A. Trujillo

COUNCILORS: David G. Romero
Barbara Casey
Michael L. Montoya
David Ulibarri

ALSO PRESENT: Leo Maestas, City Manager
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk
Antonio Salazar, Sergeant at Arms

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trujillo called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Trujillo asked Mia Marquez, Reina de Las Vegas and her court to help lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Trujillo asked for a moment to thank all City employees for all they do, for the staff in the Water department for working overtime during the recent scare at the Water Treatment Plant and also thanked City Manager Maestas and Utilities

Director Gilvarry. Mayor Trujillo asked for a moment of silence for Arthur Bustos who was a prominent attorney.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilor Ulibarri seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David Ulibarri	Yes
David G. Romero	Yes	Barbara Casey	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Paul Salas discussed the Veteran Community, their needs and their contributions to the local economy. Mr. Salas advised they wanted one day during the Fourth of July solely to honor Veterans who have always been an integral part of the country.

Genovevo Gonzales discussed how Veterans feel like they've been forgotten and the need for assistance and support.

Mayor Trujillo thanked them for their service.

Councilor Montoya asked if it would be proper, since they haven't moved on from Public Input, to ask the maker of the motion and second for the Approval of the Agenda to move Business Item 7 before Mayor's Appointments/Reports and Recognitions/Proclamations. Councilor Montoya advised it was his understanding that they could go back to the previous item.

City Clerk Fresquez advised she had never seen that done in the past and it would be up to Mayor Trujillo to allow that.

Mayor Trujillo advised he would allow it as long as the makers of the motion agreed to change the agenda.

Councilor Casey advised she would like to do that but didn't think it was appropriate because it would be breaking protocol, decorum and the rules of order they are bound to. Councilor Casey advised if they could find something in Robert's Rules of Order saying they could do that then she would.

Councilor Montoya advised he believed there was something stating they could do that as long as they do not move on from the previous item. Councilor Montoya advised it was out of respect for the Veterans so they wouldn't have to wait all night and he would have preferred them to be Business Item 1.

Councilor Romero advised he found a loophole. Councilor Romero made a motion to table all roman numeral items 7-12 except for Business Item 7. Councilor Montoya seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara Casey	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David Ulibarri	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

BUSINESS ITEMS

7. Discuss and Consider dedicating July 4th to the Veterans of Las Vegas at the Fiestas every year.

Mayor Trujillo discussed proposing the Fourth of July Fiestas be dedicated to the Veterans in the community and the City helping to organize the entire day for them.

Councilor Montoya thanked the Veterans for being there and for letting the Mayor and Council know about their concerns. Councilor Montoya discussed how they dedicated the Miguel Encinias Armory building to serve all Veterans in the northern region of the state 18 years ago, Veterans Park on Mills was also dedicated to Veterans and the Salute to the Troops event honors Veterans. Councilor Montoya advised that he's honored everyday for the sacrifices Veterans

made. Councilor Montoya stated that they need to meet with Congresswoman Teresa Leger Fernandez to receive more help for Veterans and the Miguel Encinias building.

Councilor Montoya advised that he was in favor of dedicating a day during the Fourth of July to the Veterans. Councilor Montoya recommended that they select a Veteran as the Grand Marshal during the Fourth of July parades and that the Veterans have input with the Fiesta Committee on organizing that day for them. Councilor Montoya also recommended that they dedicate other days during the Fourth of July Fiestas to other causes, other people or other organizations.

Councilor Montoya made a motion to approve dedicating the first day during the Fourth of July to the Veterans of Las Vegas at the Fiestas every year. Councilor Casey seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David Romero	Yes	David Ulibarri	Yes
Michael L. Montoya	Yes	Barbara Casey	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

Councilor Romero made a motion to remove all roman numeral items 7-12 from the table. Councilor Montoya seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David Ulibarri	Yes	Michael L. Montoya	Yes
Barbara Casey	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

Councilor Montoya advised that Mr. Gary Ludi was in the audience and asked if he would like to speak on behalf of the Veterans.

Mr. Ludi discussed Veterans being unique people who perform their duties and responsibilities to their fallen Veterans. Mr. Ludi advised that they try to promote

Americanism and Patriotism through the community. Mr. Ludi thanked Mayor and Council for allowing them to have a day during the Fourth of July.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS/REPORTS AND RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Trujillo introduced Mia Marquez, 2023 Reina de Las Vegas and her court.

Princesa de Las Vegas Jacqueline Romero gave a brief introduction about herself.

Reina de Las Vegas Mia Marquez gave a brief introduction about herself.

Mayor Trujillo thanked Reina de Las Vegas Mia Marquez and Princesa de Las Vegas Jacqueline Romero for attending all the activities and events.

Councilor Montoya congratulated both Reina de Las Vegas Mia Marquez and Princesa de Las Vegas Jacqueline Romero and also mentioned the different events he's seen them at. Councilor Montoya mentioned how memorable the Fiesta pageant was and thanked them for all they do.

Councilor Ulibarri mentioned that Reina de Las Vegas Mia Marquez was his niece and people comment about her always smiling and that she is a good person.

Ane Romero thanked Charles Griego and Candace Maestas for their support with the Fiesta pageant. Ms. Romero advised it was an honor working with Jackie and Mia who are remarkable young women and they are symbols of the community, the strength, the beauty and the resilience of who we are. Ms. Romero thanked the families of Jackie and Mia for their support. Ms. Romero thanked Mayor and Council for their continued support and advised that they are awaiting new crowns, and advised that she made the Reina and Princesa sashes, and Candace and herself gifted both Mia and Jackie with beautiful dresses.

Councilor Romero thanked Ane Romero and Candace Maestas and congratulated Jackie and Mia. Councilor Romero discussed financially supporting the Fiesta Court by getting a committee together to help fundraise the way Rosita Ellis did. Councilor Romero asked about financial support for Mia and Jackie to attend the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta.

Councilor Casey expressed how proud she was of them and the fantastic job they've done in representing Las Vegas.

Councilor Montoya advised they need to put more emphasis into the Fiestas and accommodate funding for the Fiesta Court.

Mayor Trujillo asked that Charles Griego, City Manager Maestas and Interim Finance Director Dominic Chavez look into a line item that could be dedicated for Reina activities, crowns, sashes, dresses and transportation.

COUNCILORS' REPORTS

Mayor Trujillo commended Councilor Romero for the huge Car Show event that took place at the Plaza Park.

Councilor Romero thanked Charles Griego and Angie Lyster who did the planning.

Councilor Casey congratulated Angie Lyster and Charles Griego for all their work on the event. Councilor Casey thanked John Ludi, Anthony Baca and Councilor Romero for working hard to promote the event. Councilor Casey advised that people were excited for the event and she hopes they continue to do it in the future.

Councilor Casey thanked Beatriz Gallegos, her staff and volunteers at the Animal Care Center for a successful Community Forum. Councilor Casey advised there were 51 people in attendance who spoke about concerns, ideas and possible solutions. Councilor Casey advised that DA Tom Clayton, County Commissioner Harold Garcia, Councilor Romero and herself were also in attendance. Councilor Casey discussed major concerns regarding the need to pay for the necessary license required by the state of Colorado to accept some of our animals to be fostered or rehomed.

Councilor Casey advised the new tuff shed needed to be wired, windows needed to be installed, etc so they could move animals in there. Councilor Casey advised there was a need for more kennels and people expressed a willingness to help. Councilor Casey mentioned an incident at the Recreation Center over the weekend and advised that part-time employees and new employees at the Recreation Center need better training.

Councilor Casey advised she spoke to Bill Hendrickson with the Realtor Association regarding the property on the corner of Lee and 7th Street that was donated to the City by the Litherland family and mentioned to him that Council was considering that property be used as a Food Truck Park with tables. Councilor Casey advised that Mr. Hendrickson discussed restaurants having a disadvantage that don't have an outdoor eating area. Councilor Casey advised that Mr. Hendrickson would be meeting with the Realtor Association to discuss that issue and he would get back to them. Councilor Casey asked City Manager Maestas to provide them with an update regarding the Cabin Site Tank.

City Manager Maestas advised that they received all the tests back and they were all within their normal parameters. City Manager Maestas advised that they did acclimate the tank back into the system and everything was within normal operating procedures.

Councilor Casey asked if an investigation was done to see who may have been responsible for sabotaging the tank.

City Manager Maestas advised that they did have the Police Department investigate and they took some evidence from the property.

Councilor Casey asked if there were other Police entities involved.

Police Chief Salazar advised that the FBI was involved since day one and the FBI will be aware of any information they get.

Councilor Casey advised that was good because it's an issue of domestic terrorism.

Mayor Trujillo advised they did a Root Cause analysis with staff to see what steps were missed, what they could do to improve and how they could avoid it.

Councilor Casey asked if they would be getting a copy of that analysis.

Mayor Trujillo advised that Root Cause analyses are usually confidential but he would share some talking points.

Councilor Casey advised that she just wanted to see what is being done to improve the situation from happening again.

Councilor Montoya discussed attending the Annual New Mexico Municipal League Conference in Farmington NM along with Councilor Romero, City Manager Maestas and five Directors. Councilor Montoya advised that they learned a lot from the training and they discussed emergencies that have happened in other cities. Councilor Montoya advised that they had an area with a canopy and tables where vendors were allowed to sell food and felt like we should have that here on Lee and 7th Street. Councilor Montoya advised that the Legion Drive project was moving along well and hopefully it will be done by December.

Councilor Romero thanked the Mayor and Council for acknowledging that the Car Show was a success and advised it was a community effort. Councilor Romero stated that so many individuals and businesses donated items. Councilor Romero discussed bringing miniature remote controlled Hot Air Balloons to Las Vegas and advised that Charles Griego would update them on that.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Police Chief Salazar gave a detailed presentation regarding the statistics for the Month of August on the following:

- Field Operations Division (patrol) calls
- Information Division/Records
- Street Crimes/Investigations/Narcotics/Evidence
- Animal Care Center updates
 - Cat Shed (70% complete)
 - Canine Adoptions (7)
 - Canine Transfers
 - Puppies (40)
 - Feline (2)
 - Ordered 35 kennels
- Events
 - Family Funday
 - Homecoming parades
 - Hiring event
- Department vacancies (28)

Councilor Montoya asked about the status of the trailer parked at the 200 block of Union.

Police Chief Salazar advised that he believed the red tag expired and he would have to follow up on it.

FINANCE REPORT

Mayor Trujillo thanked Interim Finance Director Dominic Chavez for stepping up.

Interim Finance Director Dominic Chavez reported on the month of August, the General fund resulted in a surplus of (\$492,827), the Enterprise fund resulted in a surplus of (\$448,486), the Recreation department resulted in a deficit of (\$13,468), Lodger's Tax resulted in a deficit of (\$26,543) and Cannabis resulted in a surplus of (\$19,948).

Mayor Trujillo asked what would cause a deficit in Lodger's Tax.

Interim Finance Director Chavez advised they had not done their payroll accruals or accounts payable accruals. Interim Finance Director Chavez advised 100% of the last payroll would go back to the prior year. Interim Finance Director Chavez advised that would remove the deficit for both the Recreation Center and Lodgers Tax.

Mayor Trujillo asked if there was anything they needed to be made aware of.

Interim Finance Director Chavez advised no, he was only going to mention the payroll accruals and accounts payable accruals going through in September.

Mayor Trujillo asked if that was normal.

Interim Finance Director Chavez advised yes.

Councilor Montoya asked where they were regarding a list of projects that could be used with Lodgers Tax monies.

City Manager Maestas advised that \$260,000 from the Lodgers Tax budget was used towards Sunny505 for Marketing, \$28,000 was approved for the Balloon Fiesta but they could look into what's left to be used towards infrastructure or advertising events.

Councilor Montoya advised that they need to use that money.

Mayor Trujillo asked for it to be put on the agenda for the first meeting in October to generate ideas as to how they will spend that money. Mayor Trujillo advised they had a recommendation about spending some of the reserves in the budget.

Interim Finance Director Chavez advised they had budgeted \$425,000 in expense over what they expect to receive in revenues.

Discussion took place regarding the Visitors Guide being part of the contract with Sunny505.

PRESENTATIONS

Fire Chief Spann and E. Romero Museum Clerk John Albertson provided an update on the operations, performance and future goals of the E. Romero Fire and Acequia Museum.

Mayor Trujillo thanked Mr. Albertson for all he's done.

Councilor Romero discussed how the E. Romero Fire and Acequia Museum is a destination place for Las Vegas. Councilor Romero discussed the need to support E. Romero Fire and Acequia Museum and the need for a POS system to sell merchandise.

Mayor Trujillo suggested creating a Museum Board that could present ideas and agenda items to the Mayor and Council.

Councilor Montoya discussed his visit to the Fire Museum in San Antonio Texas, where they had four fire trucks, the history of firefighters and a room for kids to play. Councilor Montoya advised that the E. Romero Fire and Acequia Museum should have plastic fire hats, plastic badges, coloring books and safety books to give to those who go into the museum and advised they could utilize the money that Council gave to the Fire department last year for educational items.

Fire Chief Spann advised they were waiting on IT for their guidance on a POS system.

City Manager Maestas advised he would meet with Fire Chief Spann and Mr. Albertson to go over some of the obstacles they are having at the E. Romero Fire and Acequia Museum and figure out solutions.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Consideration of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 2851 Agreement.

HR Director Darlene Arguello advised they completed negotiations for this year, they had five articles they negotiated. HR Director Arguello discussed the following articles; article 16 Safety Aids-adding safety footwear and budgeting \$250.00 annually for safety boots for AFSCME Union members, and article 36 Increment/Longevity pay-currently at \$0.19 would increase to \$0.22.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 2851 Agreement. Councilor Ulibarri seconded the motion.

Councilor Montoya discussed wanting employee entry level rate to be at \$16 an hour. Councilor Montoya voiced his concerns regarding employees at \$12 or \$14 an hour who have a CDL. Councilor Montoya advised if they want to recruit people who are good and want to work for the City of Las Vegas then they need to be paid well also. Councilor Montoya advised that he asked for \$16 an hour for employees and asked why they couldn't go back to discuss that and bring the agreement back.

HR Director Arguello advised it had already been ratified.

Mayor Trujillo reminded Council that this item pertains to collective bargaining and should not be discussed during an open meeting and should be discussed in executive session.

City Clerk Fresquez advised there was a motion and a second.

Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara Casey	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David Ulibarri	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

AFSCME Representative Chris Armijo discussed the many years since being able to go over \$1 and thanked the Mayor and Council for approving their AFSCME agreement.

2. Request approval of a salary increase of \$1.10 to the regular hourly rate of pay to all non-bargaining unit who have successfully completed a 6-month probationary period, to include part-time employees with at least one year of continuous employment with the City of Las Vegas and a \$0.22 increase to their regular hourly rate of pay at their anniversary/annual date of hire.

Councilor Montoya advised that he appreciated all the work HR Director Arguello and City Manager Maestas do. Councilor Montoya advised that the problems they are having is the lack of staff in City departments. Councilor Montoya voiced his concerns regarding staff leaving and not wanting to work for \$12 an hour. Councilor Montoya discussed how he asked for anyone starting at the City of Las Vegas to start at \$16 an hour and the following year they could worry about the ones that need to be moved up.

Councilor Romero advised that they need to focus on getting a pay plan in place as soon as possible.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve a salary increase of \$1.10 to the regular hourly rate of pay to all non-bargaining unit who have successfully completed a 6-month probationary period, to include part-time employees with at least one year of continuous employment with the City of Las Vegas and a \$0.22

increase to their regular hourly rate of pay at their anniversary/annual date of hire. Councilor Casey seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

HR Director Arguello advised that they did implement the \$14 an hour minimum wage and advised that she knows that's not what they asked for and is still not a livable wage for some people. HR Director Arguello advised they are moving towards that step and for a lot of employees that was a \$2 increase. HR Director Arguello advised that they are working on the pay plan and it will be taken to Mayor and Council.

Mayor Trujillo advised there was a motion and a second. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call.

Councilor Montoya asked when the pay plan would be ready.

HR Director Arguello advised that she needed to go out for quotes for a salary study.

Councilor Montoya asked how much they paid last time for a salary study.

HR Director Arguello advised they paid about seven or eight thousand dollars.

Mayor Trujillo advised there was a motion and a second. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David Ulibarri	Yes
David G. Romero	Yes	Barbara Casey	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

Mayor Trujillo thanked HR Director Arguello for her hard work and dedication.

3. Request approval of Resolution No. 23-24, a budget adjustment in the 2023-24 fiscal year budget.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve resolution No. 23-24, a budget adjustment in the 2023-24 fiscal year budget. Councilor Montoya seconded the motion.

Resolution 23-24 was presented as follows:

CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO
Resolution No. 23-24

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Las Vegas has developed a budget adjustment request for fiscal year 2023-24; and

WHEREAS, said budget was developed on basis of increases in revenue, expenditure and transfer (in) out through cooperation with all user departments, elected officials and other department supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Las Vegas is in need of making a budget adjustment in the 2023-24 fiscal year budget to an expense increase to Fund 101-4800 Police Department in the amount of \$111,231, an expense increase to Fund 101-5000 Fire in the amount of \$74,575, to Fund 101-5400 General Services in the amount of \$283,093, an expense increase to Fund 203 State Fire Grant in the amount of \$89,109, an expense increase to Fund 216 Streets in the amount of \$21,304, a revenue increase to Fund 217 State Legislative Appropriations – Rodriguez Park improvements in the amount of \$845,824, and an expense increase to Fund 217 State Legislative Appropriations – Rodriguez Park improvements in the amount of \$826,900, a revenue increase to Fund 282 Senior Center in the amount of \$71,042, and an expense increase to Fund 282 Senior Center in the amount of \$63,218, a rev/exp increase to Fund 433 Rehab Taxiway in the amount of \$100,724, and an expense increase to Fund 610 Waste Water in the amount of \$111,928, and expense increase to Fund 640 Water in the amount of \$767,371.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body finds the budget adjustment request should be as it meets the requirements as currently determined for fiscal year 2023-24; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Las Vegas, that the recitals and any exhibits are incorporated herein by reference and the Governing Body hereby approves the aforementioned budget adjustment request and respectfully requests approval from the Local Governing Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED this day ____ of September 2023.

Mayor Louie A. Trujillo

ATTEST:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David Ulibarri	Yes	Barbara Casey	Yes
David G. Romero	Yes	Michael L. Montoya	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

4. Request approval of Resolution No. 23-29, approving the sale of obsolete City assets at an online auction.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve resolution No. 23-29, approving the sale of obsolete City assets at an online auction. Councilor Ulibarri seconded the motion.

Resolution 23-29 was presented as follows:

CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO
Resolution No. 23-29

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
THE SALE OF OBSOLETE CITY ASSETS AT AN ONLINE AUCTION.

WHEREAS, the City of Las Vegas ("City") owns and possesses certain inventoried obsolete and surplus assets; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to hold an online auction to receive competitive bids for the obsolete and surplus assets; and

WHEREAS the City desires to hold said online auction in the Fall of 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City will benefit from the sale and disposal of the obsolete and surplus assets.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Las Vegas, that the recitals and any exhibits are incorporated herein by reference and the Governing Body hereby approves the sale of the inventoried and surplus assets.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED this day ____ of September 2023.

Mayor Louie A. Trujillo

ATTEST:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara Casey	Yes	Michael L. Montoya	Yes
David Ulibarri	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

5. Request approval of Resolution 23-30, accepting the grant offer and to apply for a match waiver administered by the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) and the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) for the 2024 Transportation Project Fund (TPF) for a total amount of \$2,000,000.00.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve resolution No. 23-30, accepting the grant offer and to apply for a match waiver administered by the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) and the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) for the 2024 Transportation Project Fund (TPF) for a total amount of \$2,000,000.00. Councilor Ulibarri seconded the motion.

Discussion took place regarding where the \$100,000.00 was coming from.

Resolution 23-30 was presented as follows:

RESOLUTION 23-30
City of Las Vegas

A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS TO ACCEPT A GRANT OFFER ADMINISTERED BY
THE NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION(NMDOT)

WHEREAS, the City of Las Vegas and the New Mexico Department of Transportation will enter into a joint and coordinated effort.

WHEREAS, the total cost of the project will be \$2,000,000.00 to be funded in proportional share by the parties hereto as follows:

- a. New Mexico Department of Transportation's share shall be 95% or \$1,900,000.00
- b. City of Las Vegas proportional matching share shall be 5% or \$100,000.00

TOTAL PROJECT COST IS \$2,000,000.00

City of Las Vegas shall pay all costs, which exceed the total amount of \$2,000,000.00.

Now therefore, be it resolved in official session that the City of Las Vegas determines, resolves, and orders as follows:

That the project for this Cooperative agreement is adopted and has a priority standing.

The agreement terminates on _____ and the City of Las Vegas incorporates all the agreements, covenants, and understanding between the parties hereto concerning the subject matter hereof, and all such covenants, agreements and understandings have been merged into the

NOW therefore, be it resolved, by the City of Las Vegas to enter into Cooperative Agreement for Project Control Number _____ with the New Mexico Department of Transportation for the TPF Program for year 2024-2025 for the plan, design, construction, construction management, reconstruction, pavement rehabilitation, drainage improvements, ADA compliant curb and ramps, and miscellaneous construction to El Creston Circle, BOP Alamo Street EOP Alamo Street within the control of the City of Las Vegas in Las Vegas/San Miguel County, New Mexico.

Louie A. Trujillo, Mayor

Reviewed and Approved to legal sufficiency only:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

City Attorney

Mayor Trujillo advised there was a motion and a second. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara Casey	Yes	Michael L. Montoya	Yes
David G. Romero	Yes	David Ulibarri	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

6. Discuss and Prioritize Legislative Requests.

Mayor Trujillo asked Council to prepare a list of priorities and bring them to the next meeting so they could be ranked.

Consultant Robert Archuleta advised that it would be a 30 day session and it is on the fast track. Mr. Archuleta advised that the opening session is January 16th and legislation could be pre-filed by January 12th. Mr. Archuleta advised Mayor and Council that if they had any new projects that were not on the ICIP they would need to get them to him as soon as possible so he could get with DFA to build that project.

Councilor Casey advised that they need money for the Animal Care Center for more kennels and a new building in general because the current one is deplorable. Councilor Casey advised there's a drainage problem on Lutheran Drive leading to Collins Drive that's in terrible condition and needs work. Councilor Casey thanked Public Works Director Arnold Lopez for his assistance.

Mr. Archuleta advised that they identified a USDA grant loan program that could potentially be used for a shelter.

Councilor Montoya asked if they could add a back-up generator for City Hall and to look into what computers need to be replaced.

Councilor Romero asked for clarification regarding approving the priorities as a group.

Mayor Trujillo advised the priorities would come back to Mayor and Council for approval.

Discussion took place regarding a joint request between the City and the County regarding the Animal Care Center, a Joint Powers agreement between the City and the County and also building the Streets department little by little by purchasing new equipment to help fix roads.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

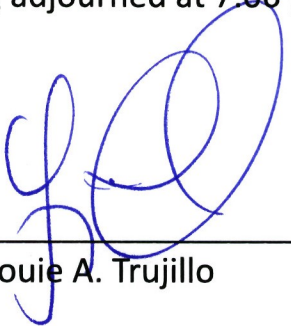
There was no need for executive session.

ADJOURN

Councilor Casey made a motion to adjourn. All were in favor.

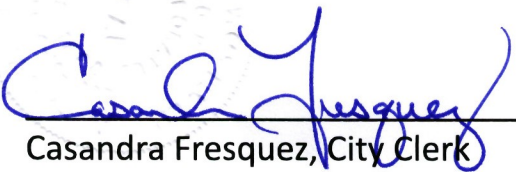
City Clerk Fresquez advised the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.



Mayor Louie A. Trujillo

ATTEST:



Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk