# MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2018 AT 3:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MAYOR: Tonita Gurulé-Girón

**COUNCILORS:** David A. Ulibarri, Jr.

David L. Romero Barbara A. Casey

Vincent Howell-Absent

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ann Marie Gallegos, Interim City Manager

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk David Silva, Acting City Attorney Chris Lopez, Sergeant at Arms

## **CALL TO ORDER**

# **ROLL CALL**

# **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

# **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Councilor Romero asked for a moment of silence to pray for guidance in the decisions made as Councilors.

Councilor Casey made a motion to go into Executive Session immediately after the approval of the agenda. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David L. Romero Yes Barbara A. Casey Yes
David A. Ulibarri, Jr. Yes Vincent Howell Absent

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

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David A. Ulibarri, Jr. Yes Barbara A. Casey Yes
David L. Romero Yes Vincent Howell Absent

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

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilor Casey made a motion to convene into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, as permitted by Section 10-15-1 (H) (2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, NMSA 1978. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David L. Romero Yes Barbara A. Casey Yes David A. Ulibarri, Jr. Yes Vincent Howell Absent

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

Mayor Gurulé-Girón recommended that in the future, they would go into Executive Session immediately following Public Input.

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

Interim City Manager Gallegos advised that there was no one signed up for Public Input.

## RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

Councilor Casey made a motion to reconvene into Regular Session, only discussion took place regarding personnel matters, as permitted by Section 10-15-1(H) (2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, NMSA 1978, and advised

that no action was taken . Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David A. Ulibarri, Jr. Yes Barbara A. Casey Yes
David L. Romero Yes Vincent Howell Absent

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

#### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. Approval/Disapproval to remove Housing Director, Lorraine Ortiz.

Interim City Manager Gallegos advised that as per the City of Las Vegas Municipal Charter, Article V, Officers, Directors and Employees Section 5.07 Departments. D. Department directors are at-will employees who may be suspended or removed by the city manager, subject to approval by the Governing Body and made the recommendation to remove the Housing Director Lorraine Ortiz.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve to remove Housing Director, Lorraine Ortiz. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David L. Romero David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	Barbara A. Casey	Yes
	Yes	Vincent Howell	Absent

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

2. Approval/Disapproval to appoint Barbara Padilla as Interim Housing Director.

Interim City Manager Gallegos advised that as per the City of Las Vegas Municipal Charter, Article V, Officers, Directors and Employees, Section 5.07 Departments. C. The city manager shall appoint department directors, subject to approval by the Governing Body and made a recommendation to approve to appoint Barbara Padilla as Interim Housing Director.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve to appoint Barbara Padilla as Interim Housing Director. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor

Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David A. Ulibarri, Jr. Yes David L. Romero Yes Barbara A. Casey Yes Vincent Howell Absent

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

## **ADJOURN**

ATTEST:

Councilor Casey made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara A. Casey Yes David L. Romero Yes David A. Ulibarri, Jr. Yes Vincent Howell Absent

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

Mayor Tonita Gurulé-Girón

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk