

**BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
County of Kit Carson
State of Colorado
Burlington Community and Education Center
340 S. 14th St.
June 14, 2021
6:30 p.m.**

1. Call to order

Mayor Greg Swiatkowski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
The meeting was held in person. Live streaming was not available due to technical difficulties.

Council members present:

Greg Swiatkowski, Mayor
Mark Burghart, Brent Carter, Troy Schultz, Adrian Hernandez

Council members absent:

Melvin Gilley and Kamron Weisshaar

Staff/Officials present:

Jim Keehne, Administrator
Georgia Gilley, Clerk
Mike Grinnan, City Attorney

Others present:

Deb Gutierrez entered room during New Business Item C.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of the May 24, 2021 meeting minutes

Motion by Burghart and second from Carter to approve the May 24, 2021 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Public comment – none

5. Public hearing

A Land Use Zoning public hearing was held to determine if a multi-family dwelling would be allowed by special review to be built in an industrial zone at 2182 Martin Ave.

Motion by Carter and second from Hernandez to allow by special review for the construction of a multi-family dwelling within an industrial zone at 2182 Martin Ave., provided the builder respects required setbacks and other terms and conditions to be negotiated by the city administrator.

Motion passed unanimously.

6. Unfinished Business – none

7. New Business

A. Discussion about American Rescue Plan funding

Keehne indicated the city will be receiving \$789,238 in American Rescue Plan funds, half to be distributed in 2021 and the other half in 2022. Keehne noted the United States Treasury has identified four categories of eligible uses, and the city will spend time reviewing ways to maximize use of these funds.

No action was taken.

B. Discussion on the ballot initiative petition process

Keehne reviewed with council the process the city must go through if there would be a ballot initiative petition filed.

No action was taken.

C. Discuss mid-year salary increases

Keehne reminded council the city had placed a freeze on wage increases at the beginning of 2021 due to the market uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. With this freeze came a commitment to review the city's budget and financial situation at midyear. Keehne noted there would be room for a 1.98 percent wage adjustment and recommended the increase go into effect July 1.

Motion by Carter and second from Burghart to approve a mid-year salary increase of 1.98 percent for regular city staff.

Motion passed unanimously.

8. Reports from city departments

Keehne called out a few points in his written report, including the Airport segment.

9. Council member comments

Burghart put in a request for the Parks department to raise the deck of the mowers so the grass is not mowed so short, which causes it to turn brown due to stress from the heat.

Carter reported that there are regular power issues at Dynamic Dimensions Inc. and asked that the issue be looked at from the city's side. He also received a complaint from a resident about how the unpaved street in front of his home needed to be graded, which led to a question from the same resident wondering if city residents were required to buy energy from the city.

10. Executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. 24-6402(4)(e)

At 7:38 p.m., there was a motion by Burghart and second by Carter to move into executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. 24-6402(4)(e).

Motion passed unanimously.

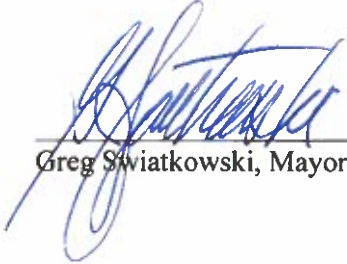
Motion from Hernandez and second by Burghart to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

11. Adjournment

With a motion by Schultz and second from Carter, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.



Greg Swiatkowski, Mayor

ATTEST:



Georgia Gilley, City Clerk

Approved

