

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the
City Council of the City of Cherry Hills Village, Colorado
Held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
City Hall

Mayor Russell Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Russell Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Katy Brown, Councilors Randy Weil, Al Blum, and Mike Gallagher were present on roll call. Also present were City Manager Chris Cramer, Deputy City Manager and Public Works Director Jay Goldie, City Attorney Kathie Guckenberger, Police Commander Pat Weathers, Finance Director Jessica Sager, Planning Manager Paul Workman, Community Development Clerk Ethen Westbrook, and City Clerk Laura Gillespie.

Absent: Councilors Afshin Safavi and Dan Sheldon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Council conducted the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Farewell to Finance Director Jessica Sager

Mayor Stewart reviewed Director Sager's roles and achievements during her 17 years at the City. He noted she was an excellent director and editor of the Crier.

Councilor Blum indicated working as the finance department liaison with Director Sager, her attention to detail was unparalleled and helped him understand the budget; she had found opportunities for the City such as using ARPA funds for employee bonuses.

Councilor Gallagher stated as the Crier liaison he had the privilege of meeting with Director Sager every month; she was always accessible to Council; she was remarkably accurate; and she was truly authentic.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown indicated Director Sager had elevated everything she had touched at the City.

Councilor Weil stated the quality of Director Sager's accounting was unquestioned; her GFOA documents and awards were very impressive and made the City proud; she provided great support for Council as shown by all the versions of the long range forecast she had compiled for them; she was very patient and positive.

City Manager Cramer indicated City staff was lean and they took pride in that; everyone wore multiple hats; no one's hat rack was larger than Director Sager; she had been so instrumental in his first years at City Manager; he reviewed her accomplishments, attitude, and approach as a staff team member; staff would also miss everything she brought socially; he presented a plaque to Director Sager.

Director Sager thanked Council for their kind words; she thanked her family for their support and encouragement; she thanked former city manager Jim Thorsen and current City Manager Cramer; she thanked her fellow employees; she thanked current and former Council for their support, patience, and faith in her; she thanked City Attorney Guckenberger, she stated the decision to leave had been very difficult, the residents and the Village meant the world to her; it had been her honor to be employed by the City over the last 17 years.

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Xcel Energy Q&A

Liz Gardner, Area Manager, Community and Local Government Affairs at Xcel Energy, explained she had started in this new role about five months ago; she reviewed Xcel's comprehensive clean energy strategy; electric vehicle vision; advanced metering infrastructure program; smart meter installation; and time of use rate program. She noted Xcel's three projects in the City: the Quincy undergrounding project, the gas project at Quincy and Holly, and the Southmoor Circle Hudson Parkway General Improvement District undergrounding project. She stated Xcel had no planned tree trimming work for 2022. She indicated she was committed to being transparent, responsive, and collaborative with the City.

Councilor Blum stated Council and staff would be much happier once the Quincy undergrounding project was complete.

Councilor Weil indicated he had learned a lot as a consumer.

Mayor Stewart asked about the PUC's denial of Xcel's natural gas capital improvement projects past 2030.

Ms. Gardner replied she had not heard anything definitive beyond the PUC's rulemaking to remove the line extension allowance.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION PERIOD

Howard Sherr, 210 Summit Boulevard, stated he had lived there for 42 years; the area was in extreme fire danger; a number of residents liked to burn wood in their open fire pits; he was frustrated receiving conflicting information from City staff as to whether the City followed the Arapahoe County Sheriff Office's burn ban status.

Mayor Stewart noted South Metro Fire Rescue would present to City Council regarding fire hazard mitigation.

Mr. Sherr stated the answer needed to be communicated to residents and staff.

City Manager Cramer indicated South Metro's presentation was scheduled for the June 7, 2022, meeting.

Mayor Stewart stated staff would get back to Mr. Sherr on his question.

REPORTS FROM CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Brown moved, seconded by Councilor Gallagher, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of Minutes – May 3, 2022
- b. Resolution 7, Series 2022; Reappointing Members to the BOAA
- c. Resolution 8, Series 2022; Reappointing Members to the PTRC
- d. Resolution 9, Series 2022; Reappointing Members and Appointing a New Member to the CHVAC
- e. Resolution 10, Series 2022; Amending the City Council Rules of Procedure
- f. Resolution 11, Series 2022; Intergovernmental Agreement for the Regional Council for the Opioid Settlement Funds

The motion passed unanimously.

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ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Public Hearing - Council Bill 7, Series 2022; Vacating the City's Interest in a Portion of the Crest Road Right-of-Way (second and final reading, Public Hearing, continued from April 19, 2022)

Deputy City Manager/Director Goldie explained the applicant was still working to secure a written statement from the neighbor to the south that the neighbor was not opposed to the application; therefore the applicant requested this item be continued.

Mayor Stewart opened the Public Hearing at 7:14 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown moved, seconded by Councilor Weil, to continue the public hearing and second and final reading of Council Bill 7, Series 2022 to the June 7, 2022, Council meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

Council Bill 10, Series 2022; Amending Chapter 18 of the Municipal Code Regarding Federal Holidays and Construction Activity (second and final reading)

Community Development Clerk Westbrook presented Council Bill 10, Series 2022 on second and final reading; no changes had been made since first reading.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown moved, seconded by Councilor Gallagher, to approve on second and final reading, Council Bill 10, Series 2022, a bill for an ordinance amending Article XI of Chapter 18 of the Cherry Hills Village Municipal Code regarding federal holidays and construction activity within Cherry Hills Village.

The following votes were recorded:

Weil	yes
Brown	yes
Gallagher	yes
Blum	yes

Vote on the Council Bill 10-2022: 4 ayes. 0 nays. The motion carried.

Council Bill 11, Series 2022; Amending Section 16-3-20 of Article III of Chapter 16 of the Municipal Code Concerning Recreational Structure Setbacks in the O-1, Open Space, Park and Recreation Area Zone District (second and final reading)

Mayor Stewart explained this item was being continued so that it could be considered by the full Council.

Councilor Weil moved, seconded by Blum, to continue Council Bill 11, Series 2022 to the June 7, 2022, Council meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

Council Bill 12, Series 2022; Amending Section 2-1-20 of the Municipal Code Concerning Designation and Description of City Council Districts (second and final reading)

Planning Manager Workman presented Council Bill 12, Series 2022 on second and

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final reading; no changes had been made since first reading.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown moved, seconded by Councilor Blum, to approve Council Bill 12, Series 2022, on second and final reading, a bill for an ordinance amending Section 2-1-20 of the Cherry Hills Village Municipal Code concerning designation and description of City Council districts, as referred to as Option 2 and shown in Exhibit G to the May 17, 2022, staff memo.

The following votes were recorded:

Weil	yes
Brown	yes
Gallagher	yes
Blum	yes

Vote on the Council Bill 12-2022: 4 ayes. 0 nays. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None

REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Stewart reported he attended the May 11th Mayors Munch; the May 12th State of Centennial presentation; he would attend the Arapahoe County Transportation Forum executive committee meeting on May 19th; the Arapahoe County Commissioners, Mayors, and Managers meeting on May 20th; he would be doing site visits for the Arapahoe County Open Space and Trails Advisory Board.

Members of City Council

Councilor Blum had no report.

Councilor Gallagher had no report.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown had no report.

Councilor Weil reported he had attended the regional transportation committee meeting that morning; he would attend the DRCOG board of directors meeting tomorrow night; and the Arapahoe County meeting on Thursday. He noted discussion involved multi-model and greenhouse gas mitigation; Colorado did not meet greenhouse gas objectives according to 50-year models; the DRCOG operations and technology organization was working on a strategic plan for efficient regional traffic movement. He reported meeting with City Manager Cramer and the City's consultant for the campaign committee for the potential ballot issue on remote sales tax; he thanked Councilor Gallagher for his work recruiting committee members.

City Manager & Staff

Director Sager thanked Council for their kind words; staff received the final audit yesterday with no issues; the new Director of Finance would present the audit to Council at an upcoming meeting.

Commander Weathers reported staff was looking forward to the new Chief starting on Monday.

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Planning Manager Workman reported the CAT met last week and started to discuss the language of the updated Master Plan document; he presented an update to PTRC last week about the Master Plan update project.

Deputy City Manager/Director Goldie reported the 285 Mitigation Study group would meet again this week; staff was working on the Southmoor Hudson GID undergrounding project, notifying neighbors, walking the site with Xcel and Comcast, and doing everything possible to ensure a smoother project than the Quincy undergrounding project.

City Manager Cramer clarified staff was doing everything possible to ensure that Xcel did a better job on this project. He thanked Council for their efforts regarding the campaign committee for the potential ballot issue on remote sales tax. He reported Harriet LaMair had asked the City to consider joining other members of the High Line Canal Collaborative in sponsoring the Dine for the High Line event in September at the Wild Canyon level for \$2,500, which would come with two seats for the event.

Mayor Stewart suggested revising the City's Donation Policy.

City Manager Cramer noted some nonprofits were worthy of consideration.

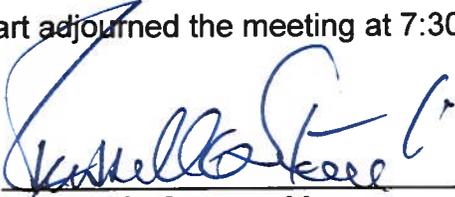
City Attorney

City Attorney Guckenberger had no report.

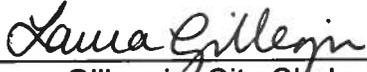
ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no objection Mayor Stewart adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

(SEAL)



Russell O. Stewart, Mayor



Laura Gillespie, City Clerk