

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Minutes of the  
City Council of the City of Cherry Hills Village, Colorado  
Held on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.  
City Hall

The City Council held a study session at 5:30 p.m.

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, Afshin Safavi, Mike Gallagher, and Dan Sheldon were present on roll call. Also present were City Manager Chris Cramer, Deputy City Manager and Public Works Director Jay Goldie, Finance Director Doug Farmen, Assistant City Attorney Evin King, Police Sergeant Noah Rolfing, and Building Technician Jan Peciak.

Absent: Councilor Al Blum

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Council conducted the pledge of allegiance.

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION PERIOD**

Laura Christman, 18 Cherry Lane Drive, stated when former Mayor Tisdale was the Mayor he created the Mayoral Musings section in the Crier; sometimes he wrote a lot and sometimes he wrote a little; generally he used it to talk about how great the Village was; when she became Mayor she was told unequivocally 500 words but no more than a half page; she used it for mostly light-hearted stuff; that was not where they were today; it was used as a bully pulpit; it had been used for campaigning; it afforded no other opportunity for anyone on Council to talk to their own constituents; she thought a balance was necessary; she thought it should be limited to half a page and should rotate between each Council member including the Mayor; second, she had been trying very hard to find the footnote that said the City would be unable to pay its COPs in 2032 and could not find it; she had concerns between the detail provided in last year's budget and this year's proposed budget; last year's budget said the COP amount of \$11.4 million went down every year by \$385,000; it said the interest rate was between two and five percent; inflation would be between seven and ten percent; they estimated revenues from assessments were at conservatively 20% or 25%; the COPs were accruing interest at 2% with inflation at 10%; the City was getting free money; there was no sign interest rates would drop; the issue over the next couple years was not going to be if the City was in a position where it did not have the money to pay its COPs; the issue would be who would negotiate with the bond holders to see who would take a substantial discount in order to get rid of a 2% bond; they did not have the right to make that demand, which was in the footnotes, but the City could.

### **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:

- b. Approval of Minutes – October 3, 2022

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- c. Resolution 27, Series 2022; Approving the Second Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Denver Water Concerning a Lease Agreement for Recreational Use of the High Line Canal

The motion passed unanimously.

### **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **Approval of Minutes – September 20, 2022**

Mayor Pro Tem Brown corrected Earl Hoellen's title from Cherry Hills Land Preserve Advisory Board Member to Board Member on page 4 of the draft minutes.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown moved, seconded by Councilor Gallagher to approve the September 20, 2022 draft minutes with that correction.

The motion passed unanimously.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

### **REPORTS**

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Stewart reported he hosted the Mayor's Munch on October 12<sup>th</sup>; he attended the retirement ceremony for Commander Weathers and promotion for new sergeants on October 19<sup>th</sup>; he attended the CML mayor's summit on October 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>; he attended the High Line Canal clean up on October 29<sup>th</sup>; he met with the new Region 1 director for CDOT on October 31<sup>st</sup>, discussion included bridge maintenance and funding; he attended the Art Commission fundraiser on October 27<sup>th</sup>; he thanked staff for their work cleaning up the islands on University; he was working with staff on concerns from residents on Parkway Drive regarding cut-through traffic and the possibility of closing Parkway Drive at Hampden.

#### **Members of City Council**

Councilor Sheldon had no report.

Councilor Gallagher reported his neighborhood had held Oktoberfest and the Halloween Parade recently.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown indicated she wanted to bring up for future consideration; years ago Council passed the fence ordinance as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Parks, Trails and Recreation Commission; it had some great effects on the City but it might be time to reevaluate, in particular the 25% threshold of replacement to bring the entire fence into full compliance with the Code; the intention was to help people become compliant with the Code; in reality the effect was people were not replacing their dilapidated fences; she asked that the issue be brought back for discussion at some point in the future.

Councilor Weil had no report.

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Councilor Safavi encouraged everyone to become educated about the Women Life Freedom movement and join demonstrations at the state capital.

### City Manager & Staff

Deputy City Manager/Director Goldie reported the Quincy undergrounding project was 99% complete; there were two poles at the intersection of Holly and Quincy left to be removed that were part of the Southmoor Hudson GID undergrounding; staff was continuing to work with Xcel on the Southmoor project; staff took about 30 yards of debris off the High Line Canal from the clean up event; staff had been forced to put a hold on all of Xcel's permits in order to get the Quincy undergrounding project complete.

Director Farmen reported due to project costs being lower than estimated there were excess funds in the Charlou Park GID account that could be used to pay down the bond principal; the bank had agreed to take a prepayment on the bonds; staff would bring a budget amendment to the Charlou GID Board on November 15<sup>th</sup>; he clarified for the public that staff tried to update the long-range financial forecast every year during the budget process but this year due to the uncertainty created by the ballot issue for City revenues the updated long range financial forecast was delayed; the forecast was based on many assumptions and variables at the time the forecast was created; the forecast was not the budget; it was a great fiscal management tool for Council.

City Manager Cramer reported the Master Plan update was scheduled to be considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) on November 9<sup>th</sup>; because the election was November 8<sup>th</sup> the P&Z meeting was moved to November 9<sup>th</sup>; Council was scheduled November 15<sup>th</sup>; P&Z would meet on December 13<sup>th</sup>; Council would meet on Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup>; due to proximity with the holiday the January 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting was cancelled and the organizational meeting would be held on January 17<sup>th</sup> as attendance was critical.

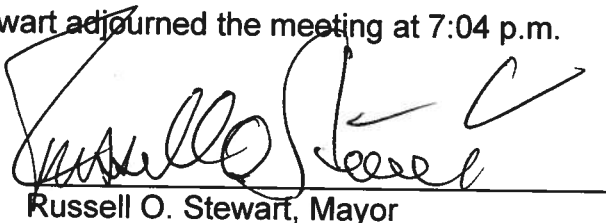
### City Attorney

Assistant City Attorney Evin King had no report.

### ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no objection Mayor Stewart adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

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Russell O. Stewart, Mayor



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Laura Gillespie, City Clerk