El Paso City Council Regular Meeting Minutes February 21, 2022

Important Notice

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A Regular Meeting of the El Paso City Council was called to order by Mayor J.W. Price on February 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

Council Members Present: Staulcup, Moore, Mool, Kilpatrick and Brucker. Absent: Barker. On Zoom: None. The Mayor reported the meeting is being recorded.

Present in Person: Director of Public Services Barry Kauther, Clerk Fever, Recreation Director Colton Scott, Public Works Supervisor Casey Jones, Police Chief Montemurro, Jennie Kearney as the local press.

Also present by Zoom Application: Administrative Assistant Sandee Kessinger. Others names from zoom software Bob, Kim & Karen.

Pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mool, seconded by Kilpatrick to approve agenda as presented. Voice vote taken of all ayes.

Consent Agenda.

Council Minutes: The minutes of the February 7, 2022 City Council Meeting were presented in written form.

Register of Bills: The Register of Bills in the amount of \$ 43,180.53 as of February 17th was presented.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for the month ending January 31, 2022 showing investments, revenue and expenses was presented in written form.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Staulcup, seconded by Moore to approve items on consent agenda. Voice call vote taken of all ayes.

Public Comments: None

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Blight Property Discussion: An open discussion about blighted properties in the city was held, with no action taken.

Front Street Sidewalk: A brief presentation on proposed layout of planned sidewalk replacement was presented, with no action taken.

Director of Public Service: Barry's report was presented in written form and he also reported work on Fiscal Year 2023 budget continues.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor thanked everyone who helped during the 100+ vehicle pileup last Thursday, February 17, 2022 on Interstate 39.

City Council Comments: Alderman Kilpatrick asked about how many cats were removed by Woodford County. Barry will get a number.

Police Chief Report: The Chief presented his written report for January activity and commented on the accident and how El Paso is a special place to live as everyone worked together during snow storm and accident.

Operations Supervisor: Casey's report was presented in written form and they had fixed a water

leak in front of 501 W Front St.

Parks and Recreation Department: Colton's report was presented in written form.

Clerk's Report: The Clerk had no additional to report, but just spoke briefly that the Library was open and about 23 men (mostly semi drivers) stayed overnight Thursday and some until early afternoon Friday.

Attorney Stoller had no additional to report.

Motion by Moore, seconded by Staulcup to adjourn. Voice vote taken of all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

David W. Fever, City Clerk