

El Paso City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2022

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A Regular Meeting of the El Paso City Council was called to order by Mayor J.W. Price on May 16, 2022 at 7:13 PM.

Council Members Present: Kilpatrick, Staulcup and Moore. Absent: Mool, Brucker and 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, Treasure Linda Haas, Attorney Stoller, James Kosur, Kim Kearney and Jennie Kearney as the local press.

Also present by Zoom Application: Administrative Assistant Sandee Kessinger. Other name from zoom software was Karen and Kosur Academy.

Pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Moore, seconded by Staulcup to approve agenda with the deletion of Item 7A, discussion to allow chickens within City. Voice vote taken of all ayes.

Consent Agenda.

Council Minutes: The minutes of the April 25, 2022 City Council Meeting were presented in written form.

Register of Bills: The Register of Bills in the amount of \$ 59,544.37 as of April 30th was presented.

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Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for the month ending April 30, 2022 showing investments, revenue and expenses was presented in written form.

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

Public Comments: Kim Kearney complimented our Police Officers for their professionalism when testifying at the Woodford County Grand Jury as witnessed by her husband Kevin.

James Kosur also spoke of concerning traffic speeds on West Fourth Street and request for a possible stop sign. Will be discussed under new business.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Proposed Ordinance 1052 Update City Employee Manual: Motion by Staulcup, seconded by Kilpatrick to pass proposed Ordinance 1052, An Ordinance amending the El Paso Municipal Code by updating the City Employee Manual. Roll call vote taken of all ayes.

MFT Resolution: Motion by Mool, seconded by Staulcup to approval proposed MFT Resolution for FY 2022 General Maintenance. Roll call vote taken of all ayes.

Discussion of installation of stop signs on 4th Street. After much discussion the Police Department was asked to collect data about speeds and traffic on West 4th for more study.

Director of Public Service: Barry's report was presented in written form plus he spoke briefly about a tractor taking down power line on 1100N and was destroyed by fire Sunday Morning.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor reported bids for new Recreation Building will be received June 13th and a Special Council Meeting will be June 15th concerning project.

City Council Comments: None.

Police Chief Report: The Chief presented his written report for April activity.

Operations Supervisor: Casey's report was presented in written form and spoke of storm sewer tile replacement in South Pointe Park and under the walking trail.

Parks and Recreation Department: Colton reported that In House Soccer is over and a tournament was held on diamonds with 18 teams and 33 games last Saturday and Sunday. Pool is scheduled to be open on May 28th.

Clerk's Report: The Clerk report Sales Tax for sales in February was down 4.86% from same period in 2021.

Attorney Stoller had nothing additional to report.

Motion by Kilpatrick, seconded by Staulcup to adjourn. Voice vote taken of all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

David W. Fever,
City Clerk