

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 March 15, 2021 at 7:30 PM.

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

Present in Person: Director of Public Services Barry Kauther, Operations Supervisor Casey Jones, Treasurer Linda Haas, Attorney James Stoller, Clerk Fever, Police Chief Joe Montemurro, Recreation Director Colton Scott, Ty Nowark and Kim Kearney as the local press.

Also present by Zoom Application: Administrative Assistant Sandee Kessinger, others names from zoom software Karen, Lisa Hocker, iphone, 13098242541 and Topsy's Bar.

Pledge of allegiance to the flag was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Brucker, seconded by Kearney to approve agenda as presented. Roll call vote taken of all ayes.

Consent Agenda.

Council Minutes: The minutes of the March 1, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting were presented in written form

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for the month ending February 28, 2021 showing investments, revenue and expenses were presented in written form.

Register of Bills: The Register of Bills in the amount of \$ 83,562.52 as of March 15th was presented.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Kearney, seconded by Kilpatrick to approve items on consent agenda as presented. Roll call vote taken of all ayes.

Public Comments: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Liquor J License Ordinance 1039: Motion by Kilpatrick, seconded by Moore to pass proposed ordinance 1039 which is an ordinance establishing a class J Liquor License and to add the fee for license as \$600. Roll call vote taken of all ayes.

Standing Committee Ordinance 1040: Motion by Brucker, seconded by Kearney to pass Proposed Ordinance 1040, an Ordinance defining Standing Committees. Roll Call vote taken of all ayes.

Director of Public Service: Barry reported we are working with Farnsworth & Midwest and are planning on water main work to begin after corn festival and sidewalk next spring, He also is working on City Hall Generator to be installed in April. Work on the personnel manual continues.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor noted that a little salt was spread this morning on street intersections.

City Council Comments: Alderman Kilpatrick asked if there are any inquiries on old Hardees location.

Police Chief Report: Chief presented written activity of February Calls and reported that March is very busy so far including Kappa calls, a drug house in town and he is hiring 3 full time officers.

Operations Supervisor: Casey reported they are doing maintenance on equipment and they repaired a small water main leak.

Parks and Recreation Department: Colton reported that on June 26th we will have our Annual Tractor, Car and now a Semi Show. He reported over 100 kids have registered for baseball.

Clerk's Report: Reported was that Sales Tax received for sales in Calendar Year 2020 were 3.26% higher then CY 2019 with a total of \$1,729,861.99.

Attorney Stoller asked if we can update code book locally and on-line more timely..

Motion by Kearney, seconded by Brucker to adjourn. Roll call vote taken of all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

David W. Fever,
City Clerk