## El Paso City Council Regular Meeting Minutes August 16, 2021

## **Important Notice**

This meeting will be held with Council Members and the Mayor at the El Paso City Hall at 125 West Front Street.

The meeting will be available for your viewing and listening at home via the internet through the ZOOM application or phone. To use this application, you will need to install ZOOM to your electronic device. The below access code and/or link can be used by anyone in the public to access the meeting in ZOOM. If you would like an official invite or have access questions, you may email your request to <a href="mailto:cityhall@elpasoil.org">cityhall@elpasoil.org</a> by 4:30pm on Monday to enable us to send you a meeting Invitation.

Pursuant to law, a small amount of public can also still attend the meeting in person at El Paso City Hall. The Governor of Illinois Executive Order for size of groups and social distancing will still be enforced. We would encourage anyone wanting to attend the meeting, to do so electronically. If you are having issues or have questions, please contact us at the number below, prior to the meeting. (309) 527-4005.

A regular meeting of the El Paso City Council was called to order by Mayor JW Price via Zoom application on August 16, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

Council Members present: Mool, Moore, Brucker, Kilpatrick, Staulcup and Barker. Absent: None.

Present in person: Director of Public Service, Barry Kauther; Treasurer, Linda Haas and Local Press, Jennie Kearney.

Absent: Clerk, David Fever.

Also present via Zoom application: Administrative Assistant, Sandee Kessinger; and Karen.

The Mayor reported that the meeting is being recorded.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Mool and seconded by Brucker to approve the agenda as presented. A voice vote was taken of all ayes.

Consent Agenda

Council Minutes: The minutes of the August 2, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting were presented in written form.

Register of Bills: The Register of Bills in the amount of \$76,318.37 as of August 16, 2021 were presented.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion by Kilpatrick and seconded by Staulcup to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented. A voice vote was taken of all ayes.

Public Comments: None.

New Business: None.

Director of Public Service: An Employee Appreciation Lunch was held last Friday. Information was presented on the American Rescue Plan. A decision needs to be made on how to spend the money by December 31, 2024. The City will receive \$371,127.69. Half of the money is expected in the beginning of October 2021 and the other half approximately 12 months later. Projects need to be completed by December 31, 2026.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor announced that construction will begin on the dog park this week which is much sooner than previously expected. It is located between the walking trail and The Ivy Gardens just off of Highway 24. The park will be named El Paso Dog Park. Benches and garbage cans will be ordered and plans for two old, non-working fire hydrants will be put in for the dog's use.

City Council Comments: None.

Staff Reports: None

Motion by Brucker and seconded by Staulcup to adjourn. Roll call was taken with all ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Sandee Kessinger Administrative Assistant