

STATE OF COLORADO )  
COUNTY OF OTERO ) SS  
CITY OF LA JUNTA )

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of La Junta, Colorado, was called to order by Mayor Lynn Horner on Monday, July 3, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Mayor led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: Council Member Goodwin gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL: The following Council Members were present:

Betty Velasquez, Ward 1  
Jim Goodwin, Ward 1  
Lynn Horner, Mayor  
Jeffri Pruyne, Ward 2  
Edward Vela, Ward 3  
Scott Eckhart, Ward 3

Absent: Frank McKenzie, Ward 2

Also present: Bill Jackson, Asst. City Manager  
Phil Malouff Jr, City Attorney  
Melanie Scofield, City Clerk  
Joe Kelley, Director of Water & Wastewater  
Todd Quick, Chief of Police  
Mike Engebrecht, Police Deputy  
Susan Elliott, 1310 Lincoln Ave  
Jonna Thompson, 914 Cimarron Ave  
Johnnie DeLeon, Inspiration Field  
Paul Velasquez, 1313 Bradish Ave  
Beverly Babb, 1120 W. 12<sup>th</sup> St  
Tyra Schroll, 512 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St  
Cheryl Lindner, 16 E. 22<sup>nd</sup> St  
Julie Worley, 2417 San Juan Ave  
Gary Cranson, 705 Edison Ave  
Candi Hill, La Junta Tribune Democrat

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Mayor Horner asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 19, 2017. Hearing none, he declared the minutes approved as published.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS (10 minute time limit per person):**

1. Jonna Thompson, 914 Cimarron Avenue: There needs to be something done about the barking dog ordinance. I've called and complained and filed a written complaint. I'm at my wits end. What can be done to change this ordinance?

Mayor Horner: We will add this item to our work session agenda to be held Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

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2. Tyra Schroll, 512 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street: I have a similar concern regarding the barking dogs and them running loose. It's annoying. Also the fireworks, M-80's and Roman candles going off. It continues when Law Enforcement is not around. There's also extremely loud music and speeding in my neighborhood of 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Grace and Edison Avenues. I would like to see if something can be done about this. Somebody's going to get hurt.

## NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Application for a Special Events Permit by Inspiration Field, Caitlin Coffield, Event Manager. The event is the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual SECOM and SECPA Charity Golf Classic to be held July 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 5:30 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. at 612 Adams Avenue.** The application is in order and has been reviewed by City supervisors for compliance with City and State codes. The appropriate fee has been tendered and the premises have been posted. The City Attorney recommends approval.

MOTION TO GRANT A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT TO INSPIRATION FIELD FOR THE 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SECOM AND SECPA CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC TO BE HELD JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> AND 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 FROM 5:30 P.M. TO 11:59 P.M. AT 612 ADAMS AVENUE: Velasquez

SECOND: Vela

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: The motion carried 6-0 (McKenzie absent)

- B. **A Resolution Concerning Administer Health and Accident Related Programs.** The resolution was read by title only, there being copies available to those in attendance.

MOTION TO PASS THE RESOLUTION: Pruyn

SECOND: Eckhart

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion.

VOTE: The motion carried 6-0 (McKenzie absent)

- C. **First Reading/AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 1242 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CITY OF LA JUNTA AS CONCERNS A REQUEST BY THE CITY OF LA JUNTA.** The ordinance was read by title only, there being copies available to those in attendance.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING: Vela

SECOND: Pruyn

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion.

VOTE: The motion carried 6-0 (McKenzie absent)

- D. **First Reading/AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A LOAN FROM THE COLORADO WATER RESOURCES AND POWER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO THE CITY OF LA JUNTA ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF CERTAIN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADES; AUTHORIZING THE FORM AND EXECUTION OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY BOND TO EVIDENCE SUCH LOAN; DELEGATING TO CERTAIN AUTHORIZED OFFICERS THE AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE, WITHIN CERTAIN PARAMETERS, CERTAIN FINANCIAL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE LOAN; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS RELATED THERETO; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER DETAILS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.** The ordinance was read by title only, there being copies available to those in attendance.

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MOTION TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING: Velasquez

SECOND: Goodwin

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion.

VOTE: The motion carried 6-0 (McKenzie absent)

**E. Committee/Board Reports**

1. Council Member Vela: It's very disturbing to see the grounds at Potter Park turning yellow and brown. It is being taken over by crab grass. The Diamond Club, a private group, has been fixing up the stands. These volunteers are doing a good job.
2. Council Member Velasquez: There was not an AVRMC meeting in June.
3. Council Member Vela: I'm not trying to discourage the City of La Junta team, I just hate to see the \$28,000 go into crab grass.

**F. City Manager's Comments**

1. Bill Jackson informed Council that we are finishing up the last draft of the Comprehensive Plan. Please review and see the changes. People can still go online at LaJunta2040.com with your input on the Plan.

**G. City Attorney's Comments**

1. Rick asked me to let everyone know that the Mayor did us proud at this years' CML Conference and he spoke very highly of him.
2. Also, a citizen called me concerning a Fire Department response and how she was very appreciative of them.

**H. Governing Body's Comments**

1. Mayor Horner: Please submit items to me that you would like to have on the agenda for our work session that will be at 5:30 on July 17<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to attend.

Discussion Topic: Mr. Malouff informed Council that we were able to get the requisite 200 signatures and meet the deadline for creating the La Junta Health Service District. The next bridge that needs to be crossed, is determining how the ballot will read.

After lengthy discussion . . .

MOTION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE 1% SALES TAX ON THE BALLOT ISSUE OF THE LA JUNTA HEALTH SERVICE DISTRICT AND HAVE IT REMAIN INDEFINITE AFTER THE BONDS HAVE BEEN PAID: Goodwin

SECOND: Pruyn

DISCUSSION: There was no further discussion.

VOTE: Those voting YES: Velasquez, Goodwin, Pruyn, Eckhart

Those voting NO: Vela, Horner

The motion carried 4-0 (McKenzie absent)

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

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ATTEST:

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Lynn Horner, Mayor

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Melanie R. Scofield, City Clerk