

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 Jeffri Pruyn on Monday, October 1, 2018, at 7:00 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:

Eugene Mestas, Ward 1
Jim Goodwin, Ward 1
Jeffri Pruyn, Mayor
Edward Vela, Ward 3

Absent: Elaine McIntyre, Ward 2
Shannon Lovato, Ward 2
Scott Eckhart, Ward 3

Also present: Rick Klein, City Manager
Bill Jackson, Asst. City Manager
Phil Malouff, Jr., City Attorney
Melanie Scofield, City Clerk
Aimee Hill, Engineering Dept
Paula Mahoney, Administration
Darren Adame, Director of Engineering
Todd Quick, Chief of Police
Aliza Libby-Tucker, Director of Finance
Beverly Babb, 1120 W. 12th St
Michael & Renee Vigil, 511 Colorado Ave
Bette McFarren, La Junta Tribune Democrat

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Mayor Pruyn asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of September 17, 2018. Hearing none, she declared the minutes approved as published.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS (5 minute time limit per person):

- 1. There was no citizen participation.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Liquor Licenses.

- 1. **Application for Renewal of a Liquor Store License by Big D’s Liquor Mart LLC, d/b/a Big D’s Liquor Mart, 26730 W. US Hwy 50.** The application is in order and has been reviewed by City supervisors for compliance with City and State codes. Appropriate fees have been tendered and the City Attorney recommends approval.

MOTION TO GRANT RENEWAL OF A LIQUOR STORE LICENSE BY BIG D’S LIQUOR MART LLC, D/B/A BIG D’S LIQUOR MART, 26730 W. US HWY 50: Vela

SECOND: Mestas

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DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (McIntyre, Lovato, Eckhart absent)

2. **Application for Renewal of an Alcohol Beverage Tastings Permit for Big D's Liquor Mart LLC, d/b/a Big D's Liquor Mart, 26730 W. US Hwy 50.** The application is in order and has been reviewed by City supervisors for compliance with City and State codes. Appropriate fees have been tendered and the City Attorney recommends approval.

MOTION TO GRANT A RENEWAL OF AN ALCOHOL BEVERAGE TASTINGS PERMIT BY BIG D'S LIQUOR MART LLC, D/B/A BIG D'S LIQUOR MART, 26730 W. US HWY 50: Goodwin

SECOND: Mestas

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (McIntyre, Lovato, Eckhart absent)

- B. **A Resolution Supporting the Grant Application for a Local Parks and Outdoor Recreation Grant from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund and the Completion of the La Junta Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan.** Resolution No. R-16-2018 was presented for Council's consideration as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of La Junta supports the Great Outdoors Colorado grant application for the La Junta Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, if the grant is awarded, the City of La Junta supports the completion of the project; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Junta has requested \$75,000 from Great Outdoors Colorado to provide a long term strategy to be used as a guide in managing and developing recreational programs, services and facilities as well as parks, open space and trails.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA JUNTA, COLORADO:

Section 1: The La Junta City Council of the City of La Junta strongly supports the application and has appropriated matching funds for a grant with Great Outdoors Colorado.

Section 2: If the grant is awarded, the La Junta City Council of the City of La Junta strongly supports the completion of the project.

Section 3: The La Junta City Council of the City of La Junta authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations of any Grant awarded.

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Section 4: If the grant is awarded, the La Junta City Council hereby authorized a designated official to sign the grant agreement with Great Outdoors Colorado.

Section 5: This resolution to be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. R-16-2018: Goodwin

SECOND: Mestas

DISCUSSION: The master plan has not been created yet. A concise list of what is needed is required to allow for the expenditure of monies accordingly. We want to be better planners and able to coordinate with the schools. The council will be participating in putting this plan together.

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (McIntyre, Lovato, Eckhart absent)

- C. **A Resolution Supporting the Grant Application for a Local Parks and Outdoor Recreation Grant from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund and the Creation of the La Junta Brick & Tile Park.** Resolution No. R-17-2018 was presented for council's consideration:

WHEREAS, the City of La Junta supports the Great Outdoors Colorado grant application for the La Junta Brick & Tile Park; and

WHEREAS, if the grant is awarded, the City of La Junta supports the completion of the project; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Junta has requested \$350,000 from Great Outdoors Colorado to provide funding to create the intergenerational playground equipment to develop the La Junta Brick & Tile Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA JUNTA, COLORADO:

Section 1: The La Junta City Council of the City of La Junta strongly supports the application and has appropriated matching funds for a grant with Great Outdoors Colorado.

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MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. R-18-2018: Goodwin

SECOND: Vela

DISCUSSION: The Park will be a ninja warrior/Spartan type course to facilitate adults, children and handicapped adults and children. There will be picnic tables, restrooms, shade and more. It will connect to the trail system and also incorporate the disc golf making a recreational area.

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (McIntyre, Lovato, Eckhart absent)

D. Committee/Board Reports

1. Council Member Vela (Design Comm.):

- Larry Lucas, DOLA architect, says the area selected to start the vibrancy of the downtown area is good. It will begin at Santa Fe Plaza and work south to the Court House through the alleyway. Hopefully there will be a painter on the way. Haven't spoke with the high school art club yet to get them involved.

E. City Manager's Comments

1. Football started and will go Monday through Thursday and half day on Saturday at Potter Park.
2. Volleyball is Monday and Wednesday at the Intermediate School.
3. Been working on the old Wickham channel on Highway 50 right below train hill.
4. Brought in a company to mud jack the void on 3rd Street east of Steen Avenue.
5. At the CORE building, the ceiling is done, almost done painting and floors almost finished.
6. Striping will begin the 2nd week of October.
7. Wednesdays will be blading alleys, Thursdays will be patching, and new signs will be put out on Fridays.
8. Wastewater Treatment Plant about 77% complete.
9. CRWPDA is coming for a quarterly meeting on October 4th at 4:00.
10. Congress is going to be doing a continuing resolution on the budget this year, so they will not look at the amendment on the Southwest Chief on the \$50 million.

Additional Topics Discussed:

- Wastewater Treatment Plant will hopefully be done around March of next year.
- Appears that the response on having trash pickup locations is going good.
- Justin's Paving will be here next week to repair 5th & Belmont.
- City doesn't own the empty County lot across from Valley Plumbing.

F. City Attorney's Comments

1. Always a privilege.

G. Governing Body's Comments

1. Council Member Vela – There are 54 seniors who will be heading out in a couple of weeks to Maine for a quick seven day trip.
2. Mayor Pruyn – We will be having another session for our craft (marketing and sustainable tourism, including social media) at the Kiva from 9:30 – 4:00 with lunch provided.

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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Jeffri Pruyn, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melanie R. Scofield, City Clerk