

**Subject to approval at
the November 6, 2017
City Council Meeting**

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, October 16, 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:

Frank McKenzie, Ward 2
Lynn Horner, Mayor
Jeffri Pruyn, Ward 2
Scott Eckhart, Ward 3

Absent: Betty Velasquez, Ward 1
Jim Goodwin, Ward 1
Edward Vela, Ward 3

Also present: Rick Klein, City Manager
Bill Jackson, Asst. City Manager
Debra Fraker, Admin Assistant
Todd Quick, Chief of Police
Aliza Libby-Tucker, Director of Finance
Aimee Hill, Engineering Dept
Susan Elliott, 1310 Lincoln Ave
Beverly Babb, 1120 W. 12th St
Gary Cranson, ARPA Representative
Joe Ayala, 1517 San Juan Ave
Angela Ayala, 1517 San Juan Ave
Eugene Mestas, 1203 Grace Ave
Glenn Parker, 401 E 5th St
Elaine McIntyre, 2022 Cimarron Ave
Bette McFarren, 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 October 2, 2017. Hearing none, he declared the minutes approved as published.

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

1. Joe Ayala, 1517 San Juan Ave.: Just completed the Citizen’s Police Academy and really enjoyed it.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Liquor Licenses

1. **Application for Renewal of a Liquor Store License by J & S Liquor LLC, d/b/a J & S Liquor Store, 302 E. 1st Street.** 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.

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MOTION TO GRANT A RENEWAL OF A LIQUOR STORE LICENSE BY J & S LIQUOR LLC, D/B/A J & S LIQUOR STORE, 302 E. 1ST STREET: McKenzie

SECOND: Pruyn

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Velasquez, Goodwin and Vela absent)

B. Tourism Board Recommendations for Funding.**1. \$14,573.00 to Lamar Advertising – Pueblo Billboard.**

MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF TOURISM TAX REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,573.00 TO LAMAR ADVERTISING FOR THE PUEBLO BILLBOARD: McKenzie

SECOND: Eckhart

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Velasquez, Goodwin and Vela absent)

2. \$484.00 to La Junta Chamber of Commerce & La Junta Tourism – Wall mount public notice center.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF TOURISM TAX REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$484.00 TO LA JUNTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND LA JUNTA TOURISM FOR A WALL MOUNT PUBLIC NOTICE CENTER: Pruyn

SECOND: Eckhart

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Velasquez, Goodwin and Vela absent)

3. \$10,725.00 to Outfront Media – East La Junta Billboard.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF TOURISM TAX REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,725.00 TO OUTFRONT MEDIA FOR THE EAST LA JUNTA BILLBOARD: McKenzie

SECOND: Pruyn

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Velasquez, Goodwin and Vela absent)

C. A Resolution Concerning Great Outdoors Colorado. Resolution No. R-20-2017 was presented for Council's consideration as follows:

WHEREAS, The City of La Junta is desirous of submitting a grant application to the Great Outdoors Colorado for improvements to be made to the Train Park.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED as follows:

1. The CITY OF LA JUNTA, as a duly authorized governing body of the grant applicant, hereby formally requests assistance from the Great Outdoors Colorado in the form of a grant. The CITY OF LA JUNTA states that such grant shall be used solely for the landscaping of the City Train Park and as generally described in the Application.

2. By signing the grant agreement, the applicant commits to keep open and accessible for public use all grant funded facilities,

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improvements and services for their useful life, as determined and stated in the Grant Application.

3. That the CITY OF LA JUNTA hereby designates Brad Swartz as the Project Director, as described in the Manual and authorizes the Project Director to act in all matters relating to the work project proposed in the Application in its behalf, including executions of the grant contract and any amendments.

4. The CITY OF LA JUNTA has appropriated or will appropriate or otherwise make available in a timely manner all funds, if any, that are required to be provided by the Applicant under the terms and conditions of the grant contract.

5. The CITY OF LA JUNTA hereby accepts all guidelines, procedures, standards and requirements described in the grant application as applicable to the performance of the grant work and hereby approves the grant contract submitted by the State, including all terms and conditions contained therein.

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. R-20-2017: Pruyne

SECOND: McKenzie

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Velasquez, Goodwin and Vela absent)

D. Approval of 2018 Proposed Budget

1. Resolution Approving the Budget. Resolution No. R-19-2017 was presented for Council's consideration. The resolution adopts the 2018 proposed budget for income and expenditures of all city funds.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION: Pruyne

SECOND: Eckhart

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Velasquez, Goodwin and Vela absent)

2. First Reading/AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE MILL LEVY FOR ASSESSMENT OF VALUATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2017. The ordinance was introduced by title only, there being copies available to those in attendance.

MOTION TO PASS THE ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING: McKenzie

SECOND: Eckhart

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Velasquez, Goodwin and Vela absent)

3. First Reading/THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF LA JUNTA, COLORADO, FOR THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018 AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2018. The ordinance was introduced by title only, there being copies available to those in attendance.

MOTION TO PASS THE ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING: McKenzie

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SECOND: Pruyn

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Velasquez, Goodwin and Vela absent)

E. Committee/Board Reports

There were no committee/board reports.

F. City Manager's Comments

1. Have been working with the Southwest Chief Coalition on the continuation of the Chief.
2. Kiewit project will begin at the airport.
3. The pool liner will be replaced within a month.

Council Member Pruyn: Would like the rope lighting downtown removed. Maybe there are other ideas we can do after the holidays other than the lighting.

City Manager Klein: That's something we can look into.

Council Member Eckhart: Noticed TLM repairing potholes. I would like them to look into the parking lot area at the High School.

City Manager Klein: That area at 20th and Smithland is already on my list.

4. We will be taking down the burnt house on 8th Street with the excavator we rented.

G. City Attorney's Comments

Not in attendance.

H. Governing Body's Comments

1. Council Member Pruyn: I liked the police training course.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

CITY OF LA JUNTA

ATTEST:

Lynn Horner, Mayor

Melanie R. Scofield, City Clerk