



MINUTES
CITY OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2019
101 W. 8TH STREET
6:00 P.M.

5 Roll Call

Mayor Mike Gamba called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present at roll call: Shelley Kaup, Rick Voorhees, Todd Leahy, Mike Gamba, Steve Davis, Jonathan Godes and Jim Ingraham.

Also present were Debra Figueroa, City Manager; Karl Hanlon, City Attorney; Steve Boyd, COO; Jenn Ooton, Assistant City Manager, Economic and Community Development Director; Catherine Mythen Fletcher, City Clerk; Terry Wilson, Police Chief; Terri Partch, City Engineer; Robin Millyard, Public Works Director; Matt Langhorst, Assistant Public Works Director

6 Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gamba led in the Pledge of Allegiance

7 Agenda Changes

Item 11E was moved off consent agenda to be considered separately

8 Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Councilor Godes-Had a conflict with Item B of the Consent Agenda and would not be taking a vote on the Consent Agenda

9 Citizens Appearing Before Council (for items not on the Agenda-comments limited to 3 minutes)

Mark Gould, Gould Construction-Gave an update on the 7th Street project they were working on and reassured Council they would meet the completion deadline

Don Gillespie-Shared concerns about parking in the center of Cooper Avenue, he also spoke about doing rock mitigation before or during the South Midland Project

10 Council Comments

Mayor Gamba-Commented that Lisa Langer, Director of Tourism on the Tourism and Promotion board, told council that Buzzfeed put out a list of 18 Top Family Vacation Destinations in the United States and Glenwood Springs was ranked number 1. Also, Walton Foundation did a study and ranked Glenwood Springs as the 16th most micro-dynamic area.

11 Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Bid BD2019-006, Tandem Dump Truck

- B. Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Amending the Cardiff Glen Planned Unit Development (PUD) (SECOND READING)
- C. Ordinance No. 5, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Repealing Section 010.020.071 to the Municipal Code, Revoking the Authority of the City Council and the City Manager to Temporarily Suspended Enforcement of Portions of the Municipal Code (SECOND READING)
- D. Approval of Ride Glenwood Re-Branding Proposal
- ~~E. Resolution 2019-10; A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Adopting Downtown Parking Permit Policies~~
- F. IGA related to Downtown Bathrooms
- G. Planning and Zoning Commission appointment
- H. Resolution 2019-11; Authorizing and Supporting Application of the Fishing is Fun Grant from Colorado Parks and Wildlife for the Two Rivers Shoreline Project
- I. Resolution 2019-12; Authorizing and Supporting the Application for FMLD Grant for Water, Roadway and Drainage Redesign Within Cedar Crest Subdivision
- J. Receipt of Minutes of the February 7, 2019 Regular Meeting

Councilor Ingraham moved, seconded by Councilor Kaup to approve the consent agenda

Motion passed

Councilor Godes abstained

ACTIONS AND/OR PRESENTATIONS

12 Resolution 2019-9, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Moving Forward Together US EPA Area Wide Plan

- A. Resolution 2019-9, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Moving Forward Together US EPA Area Wide Plan

Jenn Ooton presented to Council that Stromberg Garrigan and Associates since 2017 had been developing an implementation plan to revitalize the brownfields located along the Colorado and Roaring Fork Rivers in the City's core, including the 5-acre site of the City's decommissioned wastewater treatment plant. The Moving Forward Together Plan was funded primarily by a \$200,000 EPA Brownfield Area-Wide Planning grant.

Mayor Gamba opened the item for public comment.

Don Gillespie-Suggested that this area be an open public recreation area and to not privatize it, possibly keeping residents from accessing it.

Richard Votero-Explained that other Cities, who have water fronts, were working on uncovering them from being so over developed and reminded Council that the river was an important asset.

Michael Blair-Stated that although at first he thought a private development would be the best option, after some thought and discussion with others he too felt that Council should make it public and open.

Clarke Anderson-Stated that residents are interested in finding a balance of connecting the river to the downtown.

Dean Moffat-Expressed that the City was missing a step of master planning and should take a look at where it wants to go in the future.

Mayor Gamba closed public comment.

Councilor Ingraham moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Leahy, to approve Resolution 2019-9 the Area Wide Plan and proceed with Request for Qualifications

Motion passed unanimously

11E Resolution 2019-10; A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Adopting Downtown Parking Permit Policies

Chief Wilson spoke to Council about the updates to the downtown parking policy that were discussed with City Council at a work session on November 15, 2018 and at the January 3rd Council meeting. Based upon these discussions, staff updated downtown parking policies with the intent of City Council approving the policies by resolution.

Mayor Gamba opened the item for public comment.

Brad Handcock-Expressed his concerns with this plan and asked if there was a different solution other than a fee for residents

Michael Blair-Explained variances to property code, waiting 20-30 years for the improvement district to come up with the money for a parking structure, and employees taking up spaces in the evening were all contributing to the lack of parking downtown

Mayor Gamba closed public comment.

Mayor Pro-Tem Leahy moved, seconded by Councilor Davis, to approve Resolution 2019-10

Ayes: Davis, Gamba, Leahy, Voorhees

Nays: Ingraham, Godes, Kaup

Motion passed

13 Thompson Divide

A. Thompson Divide

Mike Pritchard from Thompson Divide Coalition described how previous City Councils have supported the Thompson Divide Coalition. However, it has been several years since this issue has been raised with City Council. The Thompson Divide Coalition was requesting a Letter of Support from the City Council.

Mayor Gamba opened the item for public comment.

The following people were in support of supporting the Letter for the Thompson Divide Coalition:

- Dawn Randolph
- Richard Voteros
- Dean Moffet
- Paula Stepp
- Judy Fox-Perry

Mayor Gamba closed public comment.

Councilor Kaup moved, seconded by Councilor Davis, to support a letter of support for Thompson Divide

Motion passed unanimously

14 Approval of 7th Street Construction Management for Boundaries Unlimited

A. Approval of 7th Street Construction Management for Boundaries Unlimited

Matt Langhorst presented to Council that on January 3, 2019 City Council awarded the 7th Street construction to Gould Construction. It was requested that Council approve the construction management services contract with Boundaries Unlimited in the Not to Exceed amount of \$125,000.

Mayor Gamba Opened the item for public comment and no comments were noted. Mayor Gamba closed public comment.

Mayor Pro-Tem Leahy moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees, to approve the Construction Management contract with Boundaries Unlimited in the not to exceed amount of \$125,000

Motion passed unanimously

15 Ordinance No. 7, Series of 2019; Vacating a Utility Easement on 3116 South Grand Avenue

A. Ordinance No. 7, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs Vacating a Utility Easement Located on 3116 South Grand Avenue

Robin Millyard explained to Council that the City previously acquired via plat a utility easement across Lot 17, Block 3, of the Valley View Farm Subdivision, that it has never used ("Platted Easement"). In 1988 the City tried to vacate this platted easement and replace it with a utility easement that was already in place over Lot 17 for a future underground connection ("Proposed Easement"). In 1988 the City passed an ordinance vacating the Platted Easement upon dedication to the City of the Proposed Easement. However, the Proposed Easement was not timely dedicated to the City, and the ordinance was invalidated by its own terms. The City had connected to an existing line along South Grand Avenue and installed facilities and needed an easement to accommodate the new installation. Ordinance 2019-7 vacated both easements upon the dedication to the City of the easement necessary to accommodate the installed facilities.

Mayor Gamba opened the item for public comment and no comments were noted. Mayor Gamba closed public comment.

Councilor Godes moved, seconded by Councilor Kaup, to approve Ordinance No. 7, Series of 2019; Vacating a Utility Easement on 3116 South Grand Avenue

Motion passed unanimously

16 Hanging Lake Professional Service Agreement with H2O Ventures

A. Hanging Lake Professional Services Agreement with H2O Ventures

Debra Figueroa spoke about how the Forest Service was attempting to mitigate damage to the trail and overcrowding during peak hiking season at Hanging Lake. Visitors would be required to purchase a ticket to hike the lake and would ride a shuttle to and from the trail head. Staff issued a Request for Qualifications that was awarded to H2O Ventures, a partnership between a local adventure company and transportation service.

Mayor Gamba Opened the item for public comment.

The following people expressed their concern about the contract and how it would impact other small shuttle businesses:

- Patrick Drake, Blue Sky Adventures
- Sheila Markovitz

- Robert Kadu
- Rob Novel

Mayor Gamba closed public comment.

Councilor Godes moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees, approve the Hanging Lake Professional Service Agreement with H2O Ventures.

Motion passed unanimously

Mayor Gamba called for a 5 minute break at 8:57pm

17 Landfill Business Plan

A. Landfill Operating Plan

Matt Langhorst presented that the City was preparing to take over landfill operations beginning on April 1, 2019. Staff added information to the operating plan and wanted to provide Council with an update.

18 Board and Commission Appointments

A. Board and Commission Appoints for Tourism, Planning and Zoning, Financial Advisory Board

Financial Advisory Board had one open seat and one applicant.

Councilor Godes moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Leahy, to appoint Charlie Willman to the Financial Advisory Board

Motion passed unanimously

Planning and Zoning Commission had two regular and two alternate seats available.

Tourism and Promotion Board had one open seat from the restaurant business, one open seat from the lodging industry, and two seats open for applicants with or without a financial interest in the industry.

Councilor Kaup moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Leahy, to appoint Sumner Schachter, Ingrid Wussow, Carolyn Cipperly, and Dean Kinkel to the Planning and Zoning Commission, and appoint Suzanne Stewart, Scott Dyer, Kristina Clary, and Sharon Brady to the Tourism and Promotion Board

Motion passed unanimously

19 Leslie Bethel Memorial Designation

A. Leslie Bethel Memorial Designation

Debra Figueroa explained that Leslie Bethel worked to improve Downtown Glenwood Springs for a large portion of her career. Her vision for our community has changed and revitalized Downtown Glenwood Springs for many years to come. City Council expressed a desire to memorialize Ms. Bethel's dedication to downtown.

Mayor Gamba opened the item for public comment and no comments were noted. Mayor Gamba closed public comment.

Councilor Davis moved, seconded by Councilor Ingraham, to name the under-bridge area as Bethel Plaza and have a plaque prepared that describes her involvement downtown and placed by the time capsule

Motion passed unanimously

20 Report from City Administration

- A. City Manager – Rock scaling would be happening on South Midland
- B. City Attorney
- C. Correspondence Incoming/Outgoing

Councilor Godes moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees to move into executive session at 9:54pm

Motion passed Unanimously

21 Executive Session to Conduct a Conference with the City Manager and City Attorney for the Purpose of Discussing the City's Purchase, Acquisition, Lease, Transfer or Sale of Real Property; Determining Positions Relative to Matters That May be Subject to Negotiations, Developing Strategy for Negotiations, and Instructing Negotiators; and to Conduct a Conference with the City Attorney to Receive Legal Advice in Accordance with C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a), (b) and (e), related to Hanging Lake and potential litigation regarding haul routes and Ross

Executive session adjourned at 10:25pm

22 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:26pm