



MINUTES
CITY OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 19, 2019
101 W. 8TH STREET
6:15 P.M.

1. Roll Call

Mayor Jonathan Godes called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. Present at roll call: Charlie Willman, Rick Voorhees, Shelley Kaup, Jonathan Godes, Steve Davis, Paula Stepp, and Tony Hershey.

Also present were Debra Figueroa; City Manager, Karl Hanlon; City Attorney, Steve Boyd; COO, Yvette Gustad; Finance Director, Terri Partch; City Engineer, Lindsey Christensen; Deputy City Clerk, and Brian Smith; Parks and Recreation Director.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Godes led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Changes & Conflicts/Council Comments

Councilor Davis – noted his conflict with Planning Item 26-19 because of his 25-year long relationship with ANB Bank. He also noted that the lights in the council chambers were dimmed because he sustained an eye injury.

Councilor Stepp and Hershey – suggested the continuance of some items (such as item 9, 10 and 14) due to the density of the meeting.

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

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

6. Consent Agenda

All matters under consent are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote. The titles will not be read aloud. There will be no separate discussion on these items.

- A. Quit Claim Deed to Correct North Glenwood Center Final Plat
- B. Ordinance 25, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, adding a Section of 120.050.020 to the Municipal Code to Authorize Graduated Penalty Assessment Fines for Certain Nuisance and Health Related Violations (SECOND READING)
- C. Regular Minutes from September 5, 2019
- D. Award of Bid for Ambulance Remounts

Councilor Willman moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion passed unanimously.

ACTIONS AND/OR PRESENTATIONS

8. Mission of Mercy

Mission of Mercy is an organization that provides free dental care for people in need. Dr. Jim and Sherri Setter (Site Chairs for the Mission of Mercy) presented regarding Mission of Mercy coming to the Western Slope for the first time. Mission of Mercy will be at Glenwood Springs High school on October 4th and 5th and asked council for their help funding (\$10,000), to provide signage, security and promotion.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

The councilors thanked the Setters for their work with Mission of Mercy and discussed the economic and community benefits of Mission of Mercy.

Mayor Godes moved, seconded by Councilor Davis to provide Mission of Mercy with the City's endorsement and promotion, signage and safety, and \$10,000.

Motion passed unanimously.

9. Construction Contract Award for BD 2019-051 Two Rivers Project *(council comment and vote continued to 9/20/19)*

Brian Smith presented regarding the Two Rivers Project and recommended that Council move forward on the contract to improve quality of life for the City's citizens. Two Rivers Park is a 22-acre park with river access and is home to many special events and leisure activities.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

Commented in support of the Two Rivers Project:

- Laura Speck (Parks and Rec Commission)
- Kyle Holt (Roaring Fork Fishing Guide Alliance)
- Bailey Lubbock
- Dean Moffat
- Russ Arensman (former City Council)
- Lindsay Defreedies
- Ashley Moffat (Chairman of the Rivers Commission)
- Dawn Randolph
- Brenden Langenhizen (River Commission)
- Todd Hurst
- Erica Gibson
- Chad Rudow

Commented in opposition of the Two Rivers Project:

- John Corey

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

Council decided to make their comments and decision to the Special Meeting on September 20th at 12:00pm.

10. Planning Item #25-19 Consideration of a Major Site/Architectural Plan Review to convert an existing church building into 13 multi-family units. The project includes land dedication for right-of-way (continued to 10/3/19)

11. Planning Item #26-19 - Appeal of Planning and Zoning Commission Decision to Deny a Site/Architectural Plan Review for the Construction of a 9,428 Square Foot Bank/Office Building

Chad Lee presented on behalf of ANB Bank in their appeal of the Planning and Zoning Commission's decision. ANB Bank presented their original architecture that was denied by the Planning and Zoning Commission as well as a new building design following feedback from P&Z. Because a bank is a use by right, the decisions were made based solely on the design of the bank and its cohesiveness with the surrounding buildings on Grand Avenue.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

Commented in support of the appeal:

- Bruce Sherman
- John Ward
- John Hans
- Floyd Demos
- Ted Edmonds

Commented in opposition of the appeal:

- Laura Speck
- Cheryl Gray
- Bill Larchwood
- Laura Kirk (DDA)

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

Moved by Councilor Kaup, seconded by Councilor Stepp to overturn the denial of the project made by the Planning and Zoning Commission with the five conditions presented and that a detailed landscape plan is submitted.

Ayes: Stepp, Kaup,

Nays: Hershey, Godes, Voorhees, Willman

Motion failed.

Moved by Councilor Hershey, seconded by Councilor Willman to uphold to decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission based on design and failure to meet design standards according to section 070.040.090 (a) and (d). of the Glenwood Springs Municipal Code.

Ayes: Hershey, Stepp, Godes, Voorhees, Willman

Nays: Kaup

Councilor Davis recused.

Motion passes.

12. Ride Glenwood On-Demand Planning Study- Preliminary Results

Tanya Allen (City Transportation Manager) explained The City's 2018 Transit Operations Plan (TOP) update for Ride Glenwood Springs (RGS) recommended the City restructure its traditional fixed-route bus service and replace it with an on-demand alternative. This was proposed as a way to reduce redundancies with RFTA service, increase coverage, and manage operational costs. The TOP suggested several possible ways this service might be structured, but a detailed analysis of this option was beyond the scope of that study.

The City received an FTA 5304 planning grant to conduct further analysis in this area. The City hired Via Mobility, LLC to assist with this study. The City has been working with Via to better understand rider and community needs, model potential demand, and develop a clearer picture of fleet and budget requirements. The overarching goal in developing each of these service scenarios is to improve the quality of service for existing RGS customers while extending service to areas of Glenwood Springs that are not near the existing fixed-route. The City also seeks to grow ridership and manage increasing operational costs.

The scenarios explored include:

- 1) Complete replacement of the existing Ride Glenwood bus system with an on-demand alternative;
- 2) adjustment of the existing Ride Glenwood route and addition of on-demand vehicles; and
- 3) creation of a "premium" on-demand service that could be offered in addition to Ride Glenwood on either a pilot or a permanent basis.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

The Councilors gave staff direction to add On Demand to Ride Glenwood.

13. Ordinance No 26, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Amending Title 050 of the Glenwood Springs Municipal Code to Permit Persons Eighteen Years of Age and Older to Handle Tobacco Products in the Course of Employment (FIRST READING)

On August 15, 2019 Council adopted new smoking and vaping regulations including increasing the legal age to buy, possess, sell or use tobacco products to 21. As adopted the T21 regulations read as follows:
Minimum age for persons handling Tobacco Products. No Person who is younger than the Minimum Legal Sales Age shall, while employed at a Tobacco Product Retail Location, sell, stock, retrieve, or otherwise handle Tobacco Products or Tobacco Paraphernalia.

Since adoption it has come to Staff's attention this may have unintended consequences for employees at convenience stores, grocery stores and similar establishments. Accordingly, staff recommended modifying the provision to more closely match the State Liquor Code regarding employees between the ages of 18 and 21.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

Moved by Councilor Hershey, seconded by Councilor Stepp to approve Ordinance No 26, Series of 2019; an ordinance amending Title 050 of the Glenwood Springs municipal code to permit persons eighteen years of age and older to handle tobacco products in the course of employment

Motion passed unanimously.

14. City Councilor Use of Social Media Policy *(continued to 10/3/19)*

15. Downtown Elevator Work Order

Brain Smith and Matt Kramer (Parks and Recreation Department) presented regarding the downtown elevator issues. After inspection, it was found that the elevator had 22 critical issues and 14 code deficiencies. The proposal to fix the elevator totaled at \$47,790.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

Moved by Councilor Willman, seconded by Councilor Stepp to complete the Downtown Elevator Work Order for \$47,790.

Ayes: Willman, Stepp, Voorhees, Davis, Kaup, Godes

Nays: Hershey

Motion passed.

16. Letter of Intent for Sale of MOC

Karl Hanlon (City Attorney) requested that City Council Approve the Letter of Intent with the Roaring Fork Transit Authority for the sale of the Municipal Operations Center. The City has been relocating out of the Municipal Operations Center (MOC) over the last several months due to safety concerns. RFTA currently has a facility adjacent to the MOC and is interested in acquiring the property in order to expand and build a regional transit hub. Attached to this item is a briefing sheet that describes the future regional transit hub. The LOI is not binding, but it does describe the general terms that will be included in a future sales agreement for the property.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

Moved by Councilor Willman, Seconded by Councilor Stepp to approve the Letter of Intent for Sale of MOC.

Motion passed unanimously.

17. Report from City Administration

- A. City Manager
 - i. 6th Street Roundabout - traffic control savings and irrigation
 - ii. Under Bridge Area - final Details
- B. City Attorney
- C. Correspondence Incoming/Outgoing

18. 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 27th Street Bridge (*confidential memo sent to Council by City Attorney*)

19. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 pm.