



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

4. Roll Call

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

Also present were Debra Figueroa; City Manager, Karl Hanlon; City Attorney, Steve Boyd, COO; Yvette Gustad; Finance Director, Terri Partch; City Engineer, Sarah Derrigan; Public Information Officer, Lindsey Christensen; Deputy City Clerk and Jenn Ooton; Assistant City Manager.

5. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Godes led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. Agenda Changes & Conflicts

None were noted.

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

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

Linda Holloway- noted her concerns about the 27th Street Bridge closure and its effect on the off-streets such as Linden.

Stanley Trulock and Sheila Markowitz- brought up the idea to Council of locals having more accessibility to Hanging Lake during the off season.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

8. Council Comments

Councilors wished staff and citizens happy holidays.

9. 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. Resolution 2019-47; A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, CO, Supporting the Admittance of RFTA to Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency
- B. Minutes of the December 5th, 2019 Regular Meeting
- C. Resolution 2019-46, A Resolution of the City Council of the City off Glenwood Springs, CO, Adopting Community Broadband Network Rates for Enterprise Services

Councilor Kaup moved, seconded by Councilor Hershey to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion passed unanimously.

ACTIONS AND/OR PRESENTATIONS

10. Ordinance No 32, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Amending the 2019 Appropriation Ordinance to Reflect Actual Revenues and Expenditures During Fiscal Year 2019, Including Anticipated Revenues and Expenditures (ONE READING)

Steve Boyd, COO, presented Ordinance No. 32, Series 2019. Each year Council passes a budget and an appropriation ordinance per Section 9.6 of the Glenwood Springs Municipal Charter. Actual spending varies from that budget during the year. An Ordinance is passed at the end of the year formally re-appropriating any outstanding transfers and covering a negative fund balance, if applicable. Re-appropriations are made for the purpose of allocating expenditures to the correct cost center for more accurate financial reporting and more useful budget to actual comparison.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

Councilor Willman moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees to approve Ordinance No 32, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Amending the 2019 Appropriation Ordinance to Reflect Actual Revenues and Expenditures During Fiscal Year 2019, Including Anticipated Revenues and Expenditures.

Motion passed unanimously.

11. Lower Valley (LOVA) Meet me in the Middle Project Fund Request

New Castle Mayor; Art Riddle, New Castle Town Administrator; Dave Reynolds and LoVa Executive Director; Jeanne Golay have asked the Garfield County Board of Commissions for additional financial support the Lower Valley (LoVa) South Canyon Meet Me in the Middle trail project, but are in need of additional dollars to cover the shortfall to fund the entire project identified in a recent joint grant request to the Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

Commented in support:

- Art Riddle (Mayor of New Castle)
- Dan Blankenship (RFTA CEO)

Commented in opposition:

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

Councilor Davis moved, seconded by Councilor Stepp to approve the grant for the LoVa trail of \$60,000 from the remaining 2019 Acquisition and Improvements trail reserves.

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

Motion passed.

12. Public Process for the Congestion Reduction Study

The City is moving forward in its partnership with RFTA on the Congestion Reduction Study. The study contains the following elements:

- Evaluation of parking, both in the short term and long term for the downtown, as well as for the RFTA BRT facility. Paid parking and enforcement technologies will also be evaluated.
- Evaluation of BRT through Glenwood springs. Development of north south route alternatives and potential transit signal priority. Assessment of the best location for a western or northern large park and ride to capture western residents commuting to up-valley jobs.
- Evaluation of circulation and intersection operations in the downtown area both for the current condition and with the proposed Confluence Development Scenarios. Development of projects to improve circulation.

In addition, the study will have visioning, development and bundling of alternatives, and public process. The consultant has proposed two public meetings, two City Council meetings, two RFTA Board meetings, and two focus group meetings. The focus group is envisioned as a group of community leaders including a member of the Council and Transportation Commission, as well as seven or eight others. The focus group would help develop the project vision, purpose and need, as well as review and bundle alternatives.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

The Councilors agreed that Councilor Kaup would be the Councilmember on the Congestion Reduction Study Focus Group and that Councilor Willman would be the alternate.

13. Direction Related to Amendments of the City of Glenwood Springs Charter Regarding Municipal Elections

With the upcoming special election, City Council has the opportunity to potentially add additional questions to the ballot (other than TABOR questions). The Mayor, and the former Mayor when he was still on Council both have expressed an interest in amending the Charter to require that any Council member be elected by a majority of electors i.e. 50.1 percent or a runoff election would be needed.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

None were noted.

Mayor Godes closed the item for public comment.

Council gave staff direction to draft a resolution of the ballot language.

14. Report from City Administration

- A. City Manager
- B. City Attorney
- C. Correspondence Incoming/Outgoing

15. 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 Purchase of Property, West Glenwood Mall, and RMR.

16. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.