

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO
June 28, 2016**

The City Council of the City of Artesia, New Mexico met in the City Council Chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in regular session with Mayor Phillip Burch presiding, and the following present to wit:

Jose Luis Aguilar	Raul Rodriguez
Kent Bratcher	Bill Rogers
Terry Hill	Jeff Youtsey
Manuel Madrid Jr.	

The following were absent:

Luis Florez

Also present:

Aubrey Hobson, City Clerk-Treasurer
John Caraway, City Attorney

It was determined that a quorum was present. The invocation was given by Councilor Rodriguez and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

Councilor Rodriguez moved to approve the Consent Agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Councilor Madrid and upon vote, the motion passed.

The Consent Agenda includes

1. Approval of Minutes: *June 14, 2016
2. Consideration of Bids:
3. Contracts, Leases and Agreements:
 - A. *Approval of Purchase Service Contract with Eddy County DWI Program for DWI Offender compliance
4. Appointments:
 - A. *Approval of support letter for Mayor Burch for the position of Director-at-Large for the 2016-2017 New Mexico Municipal League Board
5. Resignations:
6. Dates of Hearing:
 - A. Ratification of Mayor Burch's approval to set a public hearing for July 12, 2016 for consideration of an Ordinance for Case No.16-06 a Zone Change from "SA-2" Suburban Acreage District to "C" Business District 315 S. Thirty-ninth Street; Lots 13 & 14, Block 3, Davis #2 Subdivision
 - B. Ratification of Mayor Burch's approval to set a public hearing for July 12, 2016 for consideration of an Ordinance for Case No.16-07, Annexation and Designation of Zoning Districts- Northpark Annexation; Portions of the NW1/4, SE1/4 SE1/4 NE1/4, & W1/2 W1/2 SE1/4 of Section 32 T.16 S. R. 25 E., including sections of the public right-of-way of Thirteenth Street, Compress Road and US Highway 285, being approximately 231.2 acres

7. *Travel and Training:
 - A. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Advanced Drug Interdiction for Rural Areas training in Carlsbad, NM
 - B. Solid Waste – Permission for two (2) employees to attend the Transfer Station Certification class in Deming, NM
 - C. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the Taser Instructor training in Artesia, NM
 - D. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the NMWWA Southeast Section workshop in Clovis, NM
 - E. Solid Waste – Permission for one (1) employee to attend the NM Recycling and Solid Waste Conference in Albuquerque, NM
 - F. Police – Permission for one (1) employee to travel to Denver, CO to deliver Glock Trade-in Items

8. *Routine Requests for City Facilities:
 - A. First United Methodist Church has requested the use of Central Park on Sunday, August 21, 2016 from 3:30 pm – 8:00 pm for their annual Round Up
 - B. Forever Free Fellowship has requested the use of Guadalupe Park from Saturday, July 16, 2016 thru Sunday, July 24, 2016 from 6 pm – 9 pm each evening for their annual Tent Revival

9. Budgeted Items:
 - A. 4th Quarter Ledger Adjustments

10. Non-budgeted Items:
11. *Payment of Bills

Public Safety

Fire

Councilor Rogers moved to ban the use of personal fireworks and grills (excluding gas grills) at Jaycee Park (including the parking lot area) for the 2016 July 4th Celebration. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rodriguez and upon vote, the motion passed.

Community Development

Community Development Director Jim McGuire reported that the demolition date for the old hospital is set for July 13th.

Infrastructure Department

Infrastructure Director Byron Landfair reported on the status of projects.

City Clerk

City Clerk Aubrey Hobson reported that the Department of Finance & Administration (DFA) has approved the 2016-17 interim budget, but noted that reserves were used for operating expenses.

Mr. Hobson presented the list of delinquent utility accounts (delinquent through early 2016) with an amount due over \$100. He recommended sending a courtesy letter to the property owners letting them know that a lien will be filed against the property if the account is not paid in full. Mayor Pro tem Hill moved to approve the list for utility liens and the actions outlined by the city clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilor Madrid and upon vote, the motion passed.

Councilor Rogers moved to approve the bad debts resolution, for accounts older than four years, 2011-2012. The motion was seconded by Councilor Madrid and upon vote, the motion passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 1611

Mayor

Councilor Rodriguez moved that in accordance with 10-15-1-H(8), the Council and Mayor go into executive session regarding purchase of real property. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rogers and upon roll call vote, with the following votes recorded:

Aye: Aguilar, Bratcher, Hill, Madrid, Rodriguez, Rogers, Youtsey

Nay: none

the motion passed.

Council recessed to executive session at 6:20 p.m.

Council reconvened at 6:42 p.m.

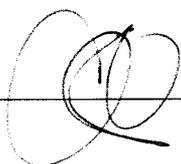
Councilor Rodriguez moved that the only matters discussed in executive session pertained to purchase of real property and no action was taken. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rogers and upon vote, the motion passed.

Councilor Rodriguez requested that staff be directed to continue investigation of the property discussed and to report back to the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. on June 28, 2016.


Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk