

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 15, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Mayor Jerah Cordova called the Regular Meeting of the Belen City council to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call taken by Leona Vigil, City Manager.

PRESENT: Councilor Frank Ortega
Mayor Pro-Tem Darleen Aragon
Mayor Jerah Cordova
Councilor Wayne Gallegos
Councilor David Carter

CITY MANAGER: Leona Vigil

DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Charlotte Jaramillo

REPORTER: Clara Garcia, VC News Bulletin

OTHERS: See attached Sign-in Sheet

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jerah Cordova led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilor Darleen Aragon made a motion to approve the agenda. Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motioned Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for an approval of the minutes dated in July and the ICIP Minutes, August 3, 2016. Table the July minutes not corresponding with what was on the agenda of August 1, 2016. We can go ahead and approve the ICIP minutes. Councilor Wayne Gallegos motioned to approve the ICIP minutes. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Darleen Aragon seconds the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes

Councilor David Carter

Abstained (missed most of the meeting) Motioned Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Cordova asked if there was anyone with a public comment.

Mr. Dan Darnell, I live at 6844 Augusta Hills Drive, Rio Rancho, NM, I am here representing Waste Management. Wanted to introduce our new District Manager Dax Sikes. Hello I am Dax Sikes I live at 3714 Linda Vista, Rio Rancho, NM. Very excited to be here and work with you all. Very excited to provide the services you look to receive and look forward to a long relationship with the City. Thank-you.

There were no other public comments at this time, and Mayor Cordova closed this portion of the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

Update on all Electrical Projects: Steve Ethridge

Hello Council, its been about three months since the last time I was up here talking to you, kind of an update on things.

Item 1: Did install a light at Jose Gallegos Park, recommend we upgrade the electrical service there so that we can have future lighting and accessible plugs, not reuse the existing pole but get rid of that and clean it up.

Item 2: Special ordered the arm and the head right there by the Jerky Shack, the one that has been an eyesore for a long time, so its been installed and its up and running.

Item 3: The LED sign is here, it is housed in the street department building right now, it appears that the sign was designed to be mounted to the side of a building, so modifications are a possibility or a Plan B might be necessary, sounds like we don't know where we want it to at this point anyway. Ok so we do know where we want it then? ON South Main.

Item 4: Parking lot behind the business incubator, Senior Center, that has been completed, the lights are up the plugs are there and complete and everything. I left a stub out for a future light.

Item 5: Vivian Field I have nothing to report there, other than I went to one of the meetings there and there is a lot of money to be spent there still.

Item 6: The business incubator put in 5 electrical, separate circuits in the main room and completed. There was a bunch of lose boxes and missing covers. Already, passed the Fire Inspection.

Item 7: Becker Ave plugs upgrade I guess has been scraped now. We came up with something different to do. There is a generator the City has one and nobody is really sure exactly what is wrong, I have heard that the motor is blown on it, that the generator part is bad on it. I know that you don't like it because it doesn't work well with sound systems. It might be worthwhile to check out and see what it needs and if it can be fixed. I built a 24 circuit panel specifically for it. If it can be re-used, fine if not we can re-use that panel.

Councilor Gallegos: commented on the generators being purchased for Y2K and that the City spent a lot of money on them, they are built also as back up for the lift stations for the City, eventually I would like to see those fixed so that they can be utilized for what they were originally purchased for. And also for activities.

Steve Ethridge: There is actually three of them, one of them a smaller one, that is the one that I built the panel for. That is the one I am referring to. I know Wastewater Department probably keeps theirs plugged in and yes, generators are a maintenance thing, you have to keep them plugged in and take care of the batteries and make sure there is fuel. You have to exercise them if you don't move them you will have seals going bad.

Councilor Carter question: You say there is a small one, what size?

Steve Etheridge: The bigger ones are 50Kw, the smaller one is 25Kw, all diesel. The other thing we

Could do is, I talked to Mr. Tomita about that panel that we have, there is maybe a way I could put a plug in the electrical room and we could have it right here in City Hall for temporary stuff when we do Follow the Star or something like that, anyways there is 24 circuits that want to be used. I built it and I want it to be used.

Item 8: Lights on Becker, nothing has been done yet. They need to have a total re-lamp. I think it would be the city's advantage, since you have bucket truck and some guys to put the light bulbs in. I'd be happy to get them started or help out. Certainly everything needs to be inspected, those lights have fasteners that are falling apart, broken stuff, broken globes, letting rain in. Possibility of converting those to LED, with quite a cost.

Councilor Aragon: PNM has some sort of program don't they.

Etheridge: yes, I haven't checked into that, but I understand that is how they get a lot of things done is through PNM.

Item 9: The doodle bug, would like to have some power someday, nothing done there .

Item 10: I-25 bypass still approx. 10 lights or more that are out, we have not done anything there yet. Went for a ride with Hermann, Christopher road would be the place to start with the LED conversions. There is nine lights there, we could calculate the usage, if we bought nine new fixtures there, we could use those parts to repair other stuff, my thought

Item 11: Replace the knock over on Camino del Llano. Truck backed into one a while back. They called me right away on this one, but there have been other ones that have been knocked over and we haven't paid attention and there are wires on the ground. Police Department or whoever, that someone needs to take care of those live wires. PNM, etc..

The Harvey House, one of the light fixtures that they received from a museum in Albuquerque, wanted to rebuilt that I am thrilled to do that. The new lights for the Main street overpass are supposed to be LED lights, I saw some plans that John showed me, I saw no provisions for 120 volt plugs, also the light color is likely going to be 5-6K color, I don't know if there I any room to negotiate that with them or ask them to do that stuff, or if you want plugs going over there, now would be the time, rather than after they complete it. The lights are going up to that car wash, I think 18 of them. There is two poles they are taking out, I would suggest that you have them salvaged to the City and we can use them for parts for other stuff. Old City Hall, I helped put up the risers on there, the electrical part of that is still functional in that part that you all were talking about knocking down, for the fire Dept. None of that stuff moves over easy. The siren. I know that I have mentioned it in the past, over a year ago..

Mayor Cordova: offers an answer, the siren was put on hold, pending the new Fire Station, we anticipate that that will be worked out as we are moving forward with the plans on the fire station

Etheridge: Ok, but the Siren is like an old Car, you need to exercise it, the seals get hard and it starts to leak, you need to run that thing once in a while. When the new station is built, either have a switch loop to it from the electrical existing or modify the power, more than likely the power going to the fire station is going to be 277, 480, 12208. That is 240 volts so that is a whole different animal right there. River park, can we use it and get it open.

CouncilorCarter: WE are going to have to get somebody, politically connected involved with this. Emailing if the Schools on Board, if they want to clean it and maintain it, we have talked about insuring it here. I cannot get MRGCD to even call or email me back.

Etheridge: I would volunteer to go talk to them personally. I did talk with Mayor Guinn, that he was talking with Whitfield and they are wanting to spend 5million to take over a bunch of the river side on that side, if that is the case, maybe we can get in on that sort of thing. I know the Rio Grande trail wants to go all the way over. That would be nice to

have some electricity to park RVs or something like that there. Police Department exterior lights, complaint-lights not working there. All City Facilities should do a night time audit.

Councilor Gallegos: We used the wall packs that use up a lot of energy, be good to replace those. My recommendation to use something that uses less energy.

Etheridge: Two on the east side are missing parts, need replacement fixtures, would likely replace with LED fixtures

Councilor Ortega: Generators-I think we should get them back to par, we use them for our EOC's and if power goes down, we scramble for generators. If we have to send them out or whatever, what is protocol for this, work orders? Who is responsible for this?

Leona Vigil: I can give a directive to get those fixed.

Councilor Ortega: Should put them in operation, big part for the Police, Fire Dept, EOC. Computers won't run if that goes down also. Very important. Interstate, once again do we have to put work orders to get this done? Is it because of money? Why haven't we done anything?

Etheridge: I would say, I don't have a good answer for that, I would say a work order need to be turned in and then we will just move along and get it done.

Councilor Ortega: May I ask who is responsible for that, when they see something is wrong, to put in work orders?

Leona Vigil: I am not clear of who is in charge of street lights, we had Lisa Miller doing the audits, the night time audits

Councilor Ortega: Would the road supervisor be responsible for that? Hermann?

Mayor Cordova: Possibly Hermann, but Lisa had always been in charge, years ago, because she was good with coordinating with the different entities.

Roseann Peralta: We set money aside in our line item for street light maintenance, this past budget year it was discussed to pass that task on to Lisa, because she can verify if it is our light or DOT's, and she has them all marked. She and Hermann were working on it.

Councilor Ortega: So we do have money, it is just getting the work order to right people. If we can do that, maybe we can get something done on this project

Etheridge: Simple solution, use caution tape. Police department when they are around town, maybe use a different color of caution tape, that way we know who tagged it.

Chief Connor: Working on a plan to get them replaced.

Councilor Ortega: we used to do that with the schools, we would all know which ones we needed to work on. We put a gate to stop them from going through, but there isn't any lighting, so they can crawl into your fence and vandalize your police cars, but without lighting the cameras don't work correct? Worried/curious why nothing has been done. Put work orders in the right place, take your notes meet up with the City Manager and go from there. Would like to exercise the siren. Do you do this work or how do you get involved

Etheridge: I present a quote for what you want to get fixed.

Roseann: no on-call electrician, usually get quotes.

Councilor Ortega: suggested a certain amount of money so we don't have to bid out, Leona offers that it has to be under \$20,000.

Councilor Carter: What does the policy say, didn't we work on that, updated just yet? Procurement and Policy are different correct?

Leona V: Under \$20,000, the amount is the same

Councilor Ortega: Be cost effective, Councilor Gallegos and I went for a ride, brand new over pass 5-6 light out already, who is responsible for repairing those?

Leona V: Us

Mayor Cordova: At this point it isn't complete is it? Isn't there a warranty for that? State project so they would have to deal with it, we would contact the State.

Leona V: Believe we signed the lighting agreement

Councilor Ortega: People wanted some shade over them because they couldn't see the stars, are we responsible for that? The STATE.

Mayor Cordova: topic for the NMDOT meeting on Thursday

Councilor Carter: Question about lighting ordinances, how does that fit into that?

Etheridge: If timers are on, or use for special occasions. Placement, where we could find 3 good spots.

Belen Lion's Club Membership Presentation: Paul Baker

Mr. Baker did not attend meeting. City Manager Vigil explained a brief synopsis that Belen used to have a Lions Club some time ago, would like to bring it back to life. Wanted to show a short video of what the club actually does and wanted to recruit members and gain our support.

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

Approval/Disapproval of the On-Call Engineering RFP. Presenter Roseann Peralta

As you know RFP, qualifications based. August 1st committee voted on the 2 we received and voted on the RFP's. Scoring sheet is attached, you can see the basis of the evaluation and the points to be given for each topic. Bottom is the total points for each company. 100-point difference between the two. Total with highest points was Molzen and Corbin. Asking for approval to get the on-call contract negotiations to begin.

Mayor Cordova: Any questions, I understand the contract will be coming back at a later point

Councilor Gallegos: How did you figure out the weight bearing for each one on your points?

Roseanne: Some of them that could gain higher points are proximity, are they close to us? Sometimes we have firms that are from other States or hundreds of miles away. Also, on qualifications with key personnel, on past similar work, also technical design and competence. Are they qualified.

Councilor Gallegos: Important to have good warranties, and record keeping? That should be important, more than 15 points?

Roseanne: on a qualifications based proposal you want to go by their qualifications on the work that they do, not so much what they have done, because things could have changed, new employees etc.. we did take an account of past performance also.

Councilor Ortega: unclear of the scoring and who rated them

Roseann: Committee scored, three member looked over the proposals and they voted, and rated them.

Councilor Gallegos: Like the way it was done this year, than in the past, they would just administratively get someone. Atleast there was a committee and it was brought forward to us for approval

Roseann: what I understand, and Kevin correct me if I am wrong, but the contract with Molzen will have you as our main engineer, but if there is a project that maybe we would like to go with someone else, we still have that option?

Kevin Eades(Molzin/Corbin): Yes that is correct

Councilor Ortega: What is the highest score they could get?

Roseanne: 375 total, but different categories

Councilor Ortega: Concerns on record keeping as well.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Gallegos motion to approve the RFP. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Carter seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motioned Carried

Approval/Disapproval of the ICIP Plan. Presenter: Roseann Peralta

August 3, 2016 meeting was held to go through the ICIP Plan. Review the current projects we have going on and any new additional projects that we would like to add. Due September 1, 2016 to DFA. They ask for the top five, and a summary of all of our projects, this is the ICIP project from 2018-2022. Approve this by resolution. Top five: 1) Reid Mae Pond 2) Road Improvement to streets, including La Luz and San Lorenzo 3) Asset management Plan 4) Senior Center improvements 5) Silver Spruce Improvements (also known as Martha Jean). I would like to add this addition to the list, the airport has a CIP (similar to ICIP) on there they have added a request for monies for the ARF and multi-use building, they asked that we please put it on our ICIP so we can also show that we are interested in that to help support them to get that funding also. 2018-12 placement on the ICIP.

Councilor Carter: Aragon Road Construction? 2019-03 \$110?

Mayor Cordova: Everything to slide up on the listing. A little top loaded, do we want to split it up between 2018-2019

Roseanne: 2019-01N Main street, 2019-02 Community Center Eagle Park Improvements, 2019-03 Street construction, West Aragon, 2019-04 Wastewater disinfection System. 2020 Delgado pedestrian improvements, Numbering is off. Ok. I'll provide a copy of the one we want to approve to Council.

Mayor Cordova suggests pushing a few to 2019. Discussed briefly in the ICIP, but don't see it on here, but that is Didier. Is Didier on this list or do we need to add it? Need to make sure it is on here before we move to approve

Councilor Gallegos: We talked about putting that under Street improvements, I thought we specifically named it?

Roseann: Go in and change the wording on 2018-09 to read Didier road improvements and Compana

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Gallegos motion to approve the ICIP with changes. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Ortega seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes

Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes

Councilor David Carter Yes Motioned Carried

Approval/Disapproval of MOU between the City of Belen and Belen Consolidated Schools for a SRO. Presenter: Councilor Carter

Same as the MOU that has been in place the past several years between the City and the Schools, allowing an officer from the Belen PD assigned to the Schools to assist with security and other duties listed in the MOU, includes education and training, liaison Jerry Moya currently working with Officer Luke Lopez, make a good team, would like to continue this relationship. Schools will pay \$50,000 annually for reassigment of this officer, called the School Resource Officer.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Ortega motion to approve the MOU with Belen Consolidated Schools. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega Yes

Councilor Darleen Aragon Yes

Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes

Councilor David Carter Yes Motioned Carried

Approval/Disapproval of HGACBuy Cooperative Purchasing, Presenter: Roseann Peralta.

HGACBuy is a cooperative purchasing agreement out of Texas. Fire Chief Manuel brought some information in because they are approved for a new emergency vehicle. Looking at different ways to purchase the vehicle. This HGACBuy has the best price, to be a member, they ask that we approved by the Governing body in a open public meeting, didn't see any charges. We do fill out an application, page 4 is a list of users that they have here in New Mexico.

Manuel Garcia: Village of Los Lunas purchased same ambulance we are looking at purchasing, from this same group, that's how we got the lead on this HGACBuy. They sell Fire trucks, heavy equipment, police cars, we could find better deals with this contract, I think that other ways through the City. We are able to spec out exactly what we want. We purchase directly from that. They have an ambulance on the line ready to be complete by September, so we are in perfect timing for this, to receive an actual ambulance mid-September

Roseann- in comparing with other prices that we had looked it, it is close to a \$6,000 savings.

Manuel-Which will buy our gurney that is supposed to go on the truck. Kathy and myself got the specs from Los Lunas, and their truck cost them around \$100, 000, but they got every bell and whistle. We cut back a lot, came to \$86, 000, saved \$14,000 from the initial specifications. Other money available from Capital Outlay, we would like to buy another Life Pack, costs \$28,000, cost savings from Capital Outlay can be used for this and our gurney, \$100-\$125,000 when all is said and done.

Councilor Aragon: points out that there is Administration fee, since there are no fees to be a member, they do charge the admin fee. Manuel points out that that fee is paid by the manufacturer of the ambulance

Councilor Carter: is this similar to CES? Procurement code for cooperative purchasing, anyone checked in with the STATE, a lot of users from NM on this list. One goes down we all go together.

Roseann: no this is similar to JNWPA that we are also members of and have been for years.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Gallegos motion to approve HGACBuy Cooperative Purchasing. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Ortega seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motioned Carried

Approval/Disapproval of the GOBOND Signature Authorization Resolution, Presenter: Leona Vigil, City Manager

I bring a resolution to authorize the signature for the Dennis Chavez Sewer Line Grant. I received two copies and before we can sign them we have to have a resolution stating who is authorized to sign them. Therefore, in the resolution I put that Mayor Cordova is authorized to sign the agreement and I also listed Roseann Peralta, Finance Director to have authority sign as the fiscal agent. For the \$300,000.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Ortega motion to approve GOBOND Signature Authorization Resolution. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Carter seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motioned Carried

Approval/Disapproval of the Great Blocks Grant Application Resolution for Main street, Presenter: Charlie Deans

Charlie Deans: Good evening, I am Charlie Deans, going to give you a brief over view of the actual program this GBOMS. Was started 2 years ago by the NM Mainstreet Program, it is really an economic development initiative. The second year we are offering this grants to our Mainstreet Communities, which as you know Belen is one of those. First round, Raton, Las Vegas and Tucumcari were awarded this grant. Program is about funding for creating construction documents on what we are calling great blocks, or in this case great streets and its to redesign some existing streets in the downtown areas to really bring in new businesses, create some economic development, bring in tourism and this program, has a 20% match with this program, ½ of which is to be cash, the grant is up to \$70,000 which is actually used to hire the landscape architects and the engineers to design these three blocks of street. Jim Rende will talk a little more about the project area itself here in a moment. NM Mainstreet needs a resolution from the City Council approving the application and the application is due Aug 31, extended from the June 27th date. We are working with two other communities to submit along with Belen, for this next round of grant recipients. It really is a partnership between NM Main street to stay program and the City. NM Mainstreet will provide some technical assistance, mostly myself, in terms of urban design both working with the consultant and with City on the project management itself and we get involved in helping the City secure the funding for the construction of the project once these shovel ready plans are completed. As you know funding will follow, so we need all the construction documents ready. Construction for the three blocks usually runs anywhere from \$750,000 to a million. Exemplary design project, really want to focus on pedestrian safety.

Councilor Carter: You mentioned a 20% cash match, our resolution says 10%?

Charlie Deans: The other in kind, Belen Main street Organization will certainly be providing the time and volunteer hours to cover the in kind portion.

Councilor Carter: This is just for the planning, designing and engineering? It isn't for the actual placement of public sign, safety?

Charlie Deans: It will include all those things, this is for the construction documents to go to Bid, you will be able to go to Bid once we get the construction finding.

Council Aragon: Yes, that is using the DPAC and the DEVER and some of the other studies we have already started with and bring that forward

Jim Rende: wonderful opportunity, along 1st street from the bridge at Reinken down in front of the Harvey to Becker street and up Becker Street to 2nd street. Looking at getting people from the Rail runner, to get them over into the historic district. If we can beautiful the area with trees and landscape, benches, etc. People will be more willing to visit and remember the visit to Belen. Charles will assist us with getting funding for these projects, once construction documents are done. I do a lot for the city at a very cut rate because we don't have the resources.

Councilor Gallegos: Great, but are we looking at the other studies? In the past we have had other studies of this area. I hope to incorporate these studies

Councilor Aragon: that is exactly what we have done, we dusted off these studies to use those as the basis for this study

Steve Tomita: all the downtown planning took all the previous planning; this is trying to bring them all together to enhance all those areas.

Councilor Carter: How is this going to affect the land owners down there?

Steve Tomita: we have an agreement with the conservancy district to be able to use the banks there and actually improve them. I don't think it will negatively impact Pete's, but draw business to them. Enhancement.

Councilor Carter: Most of the work done on the East side of the street?

Steve: Yes, or possible on the other side, but we don't want to tear up parking lots and things like that.

Councilor Carter: how much of an easement do we have there?

Steve: just a sidewalk

Charlie Deans: it is public walk way, I am going to guess 60-65 feet. If we need an easement for this, we can approach those property owners and place some improvements there under the NM Redevelopment code. All negotiated. Put together a stake holders group, all a part of the design.

Councilor Ortega: Make it friendly to people visit. I would like to comment Jim, for his Belen flag design. Appreciate him as well. We do have to make sure our finances are in place for this

Roseann: It isn't in the budget, but we can move funding around

Jim: Money may not be required until March of 2017

Councilor Aragon: Captive audience for train riders, a lot of buildings are now for sale. Great opportunity.

Councilor Ortega: Pete's Café there a long time in that area, make it more people friendly to attract more business friendly

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Gallegos motion to approve Great Blocks Grant Application Resolution. Mayor Cordova asked for a second. Councilor Ortega seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega Yes

Councilor Darleen Aragon Abstained

Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes

Councilor David Carter Yes Motioned Carried

DISCUSSION

Councilor Gallegos: Aragon Road Project we have been looking at Map funding. Aragon road has grown. 2018-2021 to design/construction. To alleviate some of that liability, we can improve that road. We propose to do an overlay of the road, 5,000 yards of material needed, Type D asphalt for that road, 146 tons of material, 2 inches of concrete. Burry manholes, as needed they will be marked and know where they will be needed. Will save a lot of money.

All in agreement that that road needs to be repaired at a fraction of the cost, and upon the final ICIP plan in 2021.

City Manager's Report-Leona Vigil

Held individual Department Head meetings last week. Will get you minutes on how they went. Created a City Hall remodel committee, 5 employees. \$40,000 looking at carpet and paint. Risk Management put in a claim for our burnt air conditioner, preliminary approval to fix the A/C. Post meeting with the VIVA representatives Chris Solice, manager on Friday to discuss issues of Eagle Park. Water Rate Committee met for the first time, went well. Charlotte to distribute minutes. Got far, will bring forward for discussion. The union board met today to canvass the results of the union elections, 14 eligible blue collar employees voted, out of 17. 10 total votes for yes, 4 for no. We will start negotiations soon. Trying to get a committee together for negotiation process. 59th annual conference for NMML will be Aug 31st in Hobbs this year. New Employee orientation, Aug 17th, all day, facility tours. 23 new employees, ¼ of our staff. We got ADA doors at the front. Ribbon Cutting on the 17th at 1:30, same day Sidewalk workshop at 5:30 p.m.

Councilor Gallegos: I emailed you Leona on a problem, as long as we can get both of them aware of their responsibilities to take care of the issue.

Councilor Ortega: Memorial Park, when are we able to start groundbreaking, money released for the \$70, 000?

Leona: Money already received, November 11th groundbreaking. This isn't a City project, so we cant get the ball rolling correct?

Mayor Cordova: it is a City project.

Leona: I knew we were the fiscal agent

Councilor Gallegos: Appropriation was given to the City

Councilor Ortega: Rosedale circle porta potty, requested six months ago, any status? Children using restroom in the park. Heard anything on the West Aragon properties?

Steve: have not received any response from them, had to terminate the appraiser, trying to find another appraiser

Councilor Ortega: we did everything they asked, was there anything we can do

Mayor: What is the appraiser's name? Has it even been scheduled, is there someone there to do it?

Steve: Ron Morris, they are swamped. Lisa has a couple names that she is trying to get

Councilor Aragon: I know George Cook, he is a really great. Maybe do a market analysis of the area, call some of the banks to see who they use, Wells Fargo etc.

Steve: The State was specific that we had to have an official appraiser, State Law

Councilor Ortega: Where are we on the Harvey house, painting and removing the lead, the windows. I thought we had an RFP on it already?

Leona: Yes we do have the PO, it is scheduled, very close

Councilor Ortega: how are we going on the water tank? What is the schedule on the painting and the PO?

Leona: Now that Roseann just got the contract with Molzen Corbin to negotiate, and you approve it, it is listed on that project

Councilor Ortega: The stop signs have they put on West Aragon and Tafoya?

Leona: I was told they were going to be done by Friday and then he had concerns that it was too close to the railroad track so he wanted to check with DOT. I guess specs say that you have to be 100 feet. It is 103ft.

Councilor Ortega: The flags

Leona: The order was put in, and it said two weeks \$480 dollars for a few of them, the design was what was going to take long

Communications from the City Council

Councilor Gallegos: Aug 2nd met with Memorial Planning, Fire Chief. Moving forward. Monsoon Planning-preparedness for the City. Requested a call down list for City Manager, emergency list, after hours. National Night out was a success. Served over 1,000 people. 3rd we worked on the ICIP. 4th Met with County- issues with the Valencia Building working on a MOU, 1992 when it was built, moved RSVP and Seniors to that building, Fiscal Agent for it, keep it in Belen. Adjusted it six years ago, to where we turn it over to the county. Keep MOU simple, will bring it back to Leona for approval and everyone to look at. Parking tight when we have events. 8th- meeting with Waste management, concerns there were inventory on polycarts-company bring in new carts, but old carts don't get back, numbers missing on there. Bad carts to go back to transfer station and they can pick them up from there. Discussion on Loads from the transfer station, we are not exceeding our limits but we've agreed that our average has been 3 loads from the transfer station a week, discussion on how to pay for any extra loads as needed. We have accepted county residents, but talking with Roseann, we charge equally, we recommend that we continue the service but it might need to be an outside city rate for county residents to help with extra charges. Other issues discussed with landfill manager. Should cross train.

Councilor Carter: 8/3 Chamber and Employee credit Union, thanks for luncheon. In and out of the ICIP meeting. School started on the 10th. Officers please be aware of the school zones, Chief if they could keep a little more watch. Dahl Sheep, talked to the vocational teacher at the FFA and they are all excited. Sheep worth Rams \$500, ewes \$350.

Councilor Ortega: Roseann and Leona take care of yourselves and staff. Thank-you for putting up the sign, looks good

Councilor Aragon: Aug 2nd didn't make Nat'l night out. 3rd ICIP/Chamber Luncheon at Tierra del Sol, Aug 9-Meeting with the Chamber for the building blocks, August 11-Economic Development Meeting. Meeting a lot on Grant for Great Blocks. Who owns the bridge, walk way is it us or DOT? Follow the stars to our historic district

Mayor: We have responsibility for it, but we work with DOT, anytime we are doing anything to it, run it by DOT if we put Stars on the sidewalk

Mayor: Aug 2nd attended Nat'l night out, ICIP meeting next day, went to VIVA III weekend of the 5th, 6th, 7th-pretty good, big set up, a lot of vendors, very cool beer garden there, judged one of the contests they had there, a pageant. Monday the 8th meeting with Century Link to get a feel of what they are doing around here, franchise agreement is actually expired if we could get that updated, they are still paying on it but we want to get that fixed. Same day received a call about a small manufacturing opportunity for Belen that is looking at the Adelante building for their operations. Aug 9th met with Bargain Square at the Chamber of Commerce and they broke the news of their closure.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to adjourn tonight's Regular Council Meeting. Councilor Frank Ortega motioned to adjourn. Councilor Darleen Aragon seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Darleen Aragon	Yes	
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motioned Carried

Jerah Cordova, Mayor

Leona Vigil, City Manager, CMC

