

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 30, 2017

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

ABSENT: Charlotte Jaramillo

CITY MANAGER: Leona Vigil

REPORTER: None Present

OTHERS: No Sign-in Sheet obtained

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jerah Cordova led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked to combine the 5 a) presentation with 6 a) Discussion with Possible Action, then asked to move 6 b) to 6 a). Mayor Cordova asked for a motion to approve the agenda with changes. Councilor Gallegos motioned to approve. Second from Councilor Aragon.

Roll Call Vote:

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

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

Approval or Disapproval of the Reallocation of Economic Development Funding for Feasibility Study Regarding Magistrate Court. Mayor Cordova

Mayor Cordova reported that the lease for Magistrate Court is coming up and they are looking to expand. He stressed that this was a great opportunity to move the Court. Mayor Cordova mentioned that in order to find a accommodating location site, the City would have to do a study. He added that there may be a possibility of adding another entity. Mayor Cordova reported that there is \$18,000 available in the Economic Development Fund. He added that Steve has accomplished a vast majority of his projects.

Judge John Chavez introduced himself and Luis Campos, Facility Manager of Magistrate Courts. Judge Chavez reported that their lease agreement is up for renewal in 2020. They have outgrown the building; they have 6 Clerks, a Judge and

5,500 cases. He reiterated that they have outgrown their capacity. He stated that they are looking for the City to be landlord with a 30 year contract.

Luis Campos reported that the building would have to be built with security and public access. The landlord would be responsible for paying utilities. He stated that they are open to renovating an existing building or building a new one.

Councilor Gallegos asked what the purpose of the study was. Luis answered the study will look into variables and requirements of the building and it will help us all make an informed decision.

Mayor Cordova advised the Council that there is \$8,000 in promotion and tourism and \$10,000 for the renovation of old City hall.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion to reallocate \$18,000 from the Economic Development Fund for a Feasibility Study. Councilor Gallegos motioned to approve. Second from Councilor Ortega.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Approval or Disapproval of the 2nd Quarterly Budget Report and Adjustments. Roseann Peralta

Roseann Peralta, Finance Director went over her second quarter report and her 2nd quarter budget adjustments. Both reports are attached hereto and made an integral part of these minutes by reference. Mayor Cordova asked what #23 was on the Budget Adjustment; Roseann was unsure of the project so she omitted it from the report.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to approve the 2nd Quarterly Budget Adjustments striking #23 from the listing. Councilor Carter motioned to approve. Second from Councilor Ortega.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to adjourn tonight’s Special Council Meeting. Councilor Gallegos motioned to adjourn. Councilor Aragon seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

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

Jerah Cordova, Mayor

Leona Vigil, City Manager