

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 25, 2013

5:30 P.M.

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo called the Special Meeting of the Belen City Council to order at 5:30 P.M. Roll call taken by Leona Vigil, Deputy Clerk.

PRESENT: Councilor David Carter
Mayor Pro-Tem Jerah Cordova
Mayor Rudy Jaramillo
Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos

ABSENT: Councilor Wayne Gallegos

CITY STAFF: Mary Lucy Baca, City Manager
Leona Vigil, Deputy Clerk
Steve Tomita, P & Z Director
Chief Dan Robb, Police Dept.

REPORTER: Abigail Ortiz, VC News Bulletin

OTHERS: See attached sign-in sheet

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Mayor Jaramillo asked for approval of tonight’s Agenda. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos moved approval of the Agenda. Mayor Jaramillo asked if there was a second. Councilor David Carter seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos Yes
Councilor Jerah Cordova Yes
Councilor David Carter Yes Motion carried

Councilor Wayne Gallegos joined the Special Meeting at 5:37 PM.

DISCUSSIONS WITH ACTION REQUIRED

APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF VALENCIA AND THE CITY OF BELEN FOR USE OF MILL LEVY FUNDS AT THE BELEN SITE:

Steve Tomita, P & Z Director

Steve explained the urgency to adopt the agreement between the County and the City. Legal counsel has advised the City that the County Commission can cancel this agreement at any time until it is approved by the City. Councilor Cordova mentioned that the agreement asks for a Financing Plan for construction and equipping of the hospital and asked if the RFP will require the submitters to include that Plan in their proposals. Leona answered that she will make sure that the Plan is included in the RFP.

Bob Mckague: Wants to know what the City has to do now. Councilor Cordova answered issue a RFP, select a Provider, submit a Financing Plan for construction and equipping the hospital and then the Health Care Facilities Contract. Bob then asked if the citizens are going to have to pay the taxes. Councilor Cordova answered that there has been no, and there continues to be, no intent. Bob stated, No intent means it is not a for sure thing. *Jan Johnson:* has a healthcare background, and she informed the public that most hospitals have a

non-profit foundation that works with them which helps with expenses for major equipment. She stressed that people can donate money into the foundation to help support it.

Mayor Jaramillo asked for a motion to approve or disapprove the Agreement between the County of Valencia and the City of Belen for use of Mill Levy Funds at the Belen Site. Councilor Jerah Cordova moved the approval of the Agreement. Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked if there was a second. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion Carries

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD: STEVE Tomita, P & Z Director

Steve informed the Council that it is urgent that the Economic Development Association be in place and incorporated so that a 501 C can be set up. Steve advised that “The Celebrate Belen Festival” is asking for donations and sponsorships and the City is needs a 501 C designation set up to receive that funding.

Mayor Jaramillo informed the Council that the process of setting up the Board is that the Mayor appoints the majority of the Board Members, and that Board will select the other members. Steve will be the Executive Director of the Board. Mayor Jaramillo has some individuals to recommend; however, none of them have committed as of yet. Mayor Jaramillo asked if there were any Council Members with recommendations for the Board. There were no suggestions from the Council at this time. Mayor Jaramillo announced the names he has, for the Council to consider; Jim Lardner (Travertine), Robert Chavez (Advanced Environmental), Joaquin Sisneros (Sisneros Manufacturing), and Robert Noblin (Noblin Funeral Home). Mayor Jaramillo asked if the Council had any suggestions to bring them forward so that he can make calls to see if they were interested.

Mayor Jaramillo asked for a motion to accept the names of the four individuals, and any recommendations that the Council may have. Councilor Jerah Cordova moved to accept the names of the four individuals and any recommendations that the Council may have. Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked if there was a second. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion Carries

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion to adjourn tonight’s meeting. Councilor Wayne Gallegos motioned to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos seconds the motion.

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion Carries

/s/ _____

Rudy Jaramillo, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
Mary Lucy Baca, City Manager, CMC