

STERLING, COLORADO
AUGUST 9, 2016

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF LOGAN)ss
CITY OF STERLING)

As required by the Colorado Sunshine Law, the meeting was posted timely in the City Hall lobby more than twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting.

Pastor Jodie Harless, Faith United Methodist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Torres led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The City Council of the City of Sterling, Colorado, met in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, August 9, 2016. Mayor Torres called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Torres
Councilmembers	Appelhans Flores Lawson Pitcher Rice

Councilmembers absent:

Councilmember	McCarty
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Also present:

City Manager	Saling
City Attorney	Penny
City Clerk	Forbes
Fire Chief	Ritter
Police Chief	Kerr
Parks, Library and Recreation Director	Gandee
Human Resource Director	Brown
Public Works Director	Good
Street/Sanitation and PCF Superintendent	Rewoldt
Paralegal	Welsh

Citizens present: 12

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CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Appelhans made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Lawson seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Item on the consent agenda was: City Council minutes of July 26, 2016.

COMMUNICATION AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF NON-SCHEDULED CITIZENS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Saling updated Council on the

Water tank project

Paving of North 5th Street

Sales and Hotel Taxes

2017 Budget

Rafael Flores resigned from the Planning Commission

City float

Pre bid conference for airport fence

Generator is being installed at the Service Center

Sidewalk at the Museum.

City Manager Saling advised Council that CML is soliciting appointments for CML policy committee. It was the consensus of Council for Councilmember Rice to continue on this committee.

Non Profit Committee applications have been received from E.J. Wright and Linda Gebauer. It was the consensus of Council to have four on the committee. Councilmember Appelhans and Rice will serve along with the two applicants. Human Resource Director Brown will assist.

City Manager Saling advised Council that Police Chief Kerr promoted Corporal Baca to Sergeant and Officer Hart to Corporal. The Community Appreciation Day is August 16, 2016.

City Manager Saling advised Council that there was surplus equipment purchased for the airport. A grant will cover 80% on the first item and 50% on the other items.

NEW BUSINESS:

INTRODUCTION OF NEW CITY EMPLOYEES:

Human Resource Director Brown introduced Mr. Justin Spahn from the Wastewater Division and Mr. Kyle Hunter from the Water Division.

REQUEST TO REALLOCATE LODGING TAX FUNDS:

Present to address Council was Mr. Alex Wright, Citizens Advisory Board. Mr. Wright advised Council that in 2014 there was \$14,000 approved for Christmas decorations and banners. There has been \$7,335 spent. The CAB is asking that the remainder of the money be used for banners on West Main Street.

Councilmember Appelhans made a motion to approve spending the remaining amount for banners. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Council moved agenda item C to be after agenda item D.

RESOLUTION NO. 8-2-16, SERIES OF 2016 – A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, SUBMITTING THE BALLOT QUESTION TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF STERLING, COLORADO, AT THE PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 8, 2016, RELATING TO THE IMPOSITION OF A CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL TAX WITHIN THE CITY COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 2017:

City Manager Saling advised Council that this resolution places on the ballot the question regarding imposition of a two percent (2%) convention center hotel tax within the City of Sterling.

There were questions from Council regarding the \$150,000 in the ballot question.

Councilmember Appelhans made a motion to approve Resolution No. 8-2-16, Series of 2016. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion. By a four-yes and two-no votes, the motion was approved. Voting was as follows:

Appelhans	yes	Rice	yes
Lawson	no	Pitcher	no
Flores	yes	Torres	yes

RESOLUTION NO. 8-1-16, SERIES OF 2016 – A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STERLING AND LOGAN COUNTY CONCERNING A COORDINATED ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAME:

City Manager Saling advised Council that this resolution approves an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City and County for the coordinated election to be held on November 8, 2016, designating the Logan County Clerk and Recorder as the Coordinated Election Official.

Councilmember Flores made a motion to approve Resolution No. 8-1-16, Series of 2016. Councilmember Appelhans seconded the motion. By a five-yes and one-no vote, the motion was approved. Voting was as follows:

Flores	yes	Appelhans	yes
Pitcher	no	Lawson	yes
Rice	yes	Torres	yes

RESOLUTION NO. 8-3-16, SERIES OF 2016 – A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO APPROVING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND STATE OF COLORADO, STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF NORTHEASTERN JUNIOR COLLEGE, FOR THE 2016/2017 FIRE FIGHTER I ACADEMY:

City Manager Saling advised Council this resolution approves a contract with the State of Colorado and State Board of Community Colleges and Occupational Education for the use and benefit of Northeastern Junior College for the purpose of the Sterling Fire Department providing instruction, equipment and facilities for the 2016/2017 Fire Fighter I Academy. The City will be reimbursed for services, equipment and facility use as set forth in the contract that is the subject of the resolution.

Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve Resolution No. 8-3-16, Series of 2016. Councilmember Lawson seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 8-4-16, SERIES OF 2016 – A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, ACCEPTING THE COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION AS TO THE DEEP WELL PHASE, WATER TREATMENT PLANT PIPELINE PHASE, AND METER REPLACEMENT PHASE OF THE CITY PROJECT PROVIDING

IMPROVEMENTS AND MODIFICATIONS TO THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF STERLING:

City Manager Saling advised Council this resolution accepts construction for the deep well phase, water treatment plant pipeline phase, and meter replacement phase of the water system project for the City of Sterling, as required by the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment Drinking Water Revolving Fund Final Inspection Report. He advised Council that the balance remaining is \$103,671.30. This will reduce the interest payment in 2017.

Councilmember Appelhaus made a motion to approve Resolution No. 8-4-16, Series of 2016. Councilmember Flores seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORT – HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

Human Resource Director Brown gave his department report.

MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS:

Mayor Torres made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (4) (e). Councilmember Lawson seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Council went into executive session at 7:42 p.m.


Council came out of executive session at 8:13 p.m.

Mayor Torres advised the participants in the executive session were: City Council, City Attorney and City Manager. For the record, if any person who participated in the executive session believes that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into the executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, he asked that they state their concerns for the record.

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK