

STERLING, COLORADO
JULY 18, 2023

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.

Mayor Desormeaux led the Pledge of Allegiance. The City Council of the City of Sterling, Colorado, met in Special session in Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, July 18, 2023. Mayor Desormeaux called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Desormeaux
Councilmembers	Angell Blecha Delgado Haynie Janes

Councilmembers absent

Councilmember	Ritter
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Also present:

City Manager	Blankenship
City Clerk	Forbes
Public Works Director	Good
Human Resources Director	Mentzel
Parks, Library and Recreation Director	Gandee
Paralegal	Welsh

Citizens present: 6

MAYOR'S CONSIDERATION OF RE-APPOINTMENT OF TERRY SCHMIDT TO THE PUBLIC WORKS BOARD:

Mayor Desormeaux made a motion to re-appoint Terry Schmidt to the Public Works Board. Councilmember Janes seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 7-5-23, SERIES OF 2023 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, APPROVING AN EXTENSION AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH BIRD RIDES, INC. RELATING TO DEPLOYMENT OF STAND-UP ELECTRIC SCOOTER SHARING SYSTEMS WITHIN THE CITY:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council this Resolution approves an extension of the Memorandum of Understanding with Bird Rides, Inc. regarding deployment of stand-up electric scooter sharing systems within the City, through June of 2024, with automatic 6-month extensions thereafter unless terminated by either party.

Councilmember Delgado made a motion to approve Resolution No. 7-5-23, Series of 2023. Councilmember Blecha seconded the motion.

Councilmember Angell asked City Manager Blankenship to ask Bird Ride representatives to make sure the scooters can be seen at night.

By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION OF ICMA VIDEO:

City Manager Blankenship reviewed with Council how the video would tell the story of the history of Sterling. He had talked to several businesses within the community to find out if they would be interested in the video and partnering to tell their story. He advised Council in 1990, 1995 and 2001 the City made videos. Between what the partners would donate and the funds in the budget he felt there was enough money for the video.

Mr. Trae Miller was present to address Council. Mr. Miller advised Council that the County Visitor Center just did a video and asked that Council not overlap the two videos.

Councilmember Haynie advised he does not like feeling pressured and if it was just done by the County why spend the money to do this.

Councilmember Delgado advised he did not think a five-minute video would be enough time to sell the City. He also was concerned about the time constraint.

Councilmember Angell made a motion to do the video. Councilmember Jane seconded the motion. By a three-yes and three-no vote, the motion failed. Voting was as follows:

Angell	yes	Jane	yes
Blecha	no	Delgado	no
Desormeaux	yes	Haynie	no

MARIJUANA DISCUSSION:

Councilmember Janes asked Council regarding considering to put the marijuana issue back on the ballot. Council was advised that in 2015 there was a ballot question. Councilmember Janes advised if Council would consider having it again on the ballot so the citizens could make the decision.

It was the consensus of Council to have a Resolution on the agenda at the first meeting in August to see if Council would want to put this issue on the ballot.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Council meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK