

**STERLING, COLORADO
JULY 26, 2022**

**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 Kristie Firme, Christ United Methodist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Desormeaux 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, July 26, 2022. Mayor Desormeaux called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Desormeaux
Councilmembers	Anderson Blecha Gaines Haynie Janes

Councilmembers absent:

Councilmember	Ritter
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Also present:

City Manager	Blankenship
City Attorney	Richardson
City Clerk	Forbes
Parks, Library and Recreation (PLR) Director	Gandee
Public Safety Communications (PSC) Director	Lybrand
Public Works Director	Good
Fire Chief	Ritter
Police Chief	Kerr
Human Resource Director	Brown
Paralegal	Welsh

Citizens present: 9

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Gaines made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Anderson seconded the motion. By a four-yes and two-abstain vote, the motion was approved. Voting was as follows:

Gaines	yes	Anderson	yes
Haynie	abstain	Janes	abstain
Blecha	yes	Desormeaux	yes

Item on the consent agenda was: City Council minutes of July 12, 2022.

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

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Blankenship read a press release regarding an additional loan for the Wastewater Treatment upgrade.

- Head Works is 90% complete. Waiting on equipment for completion
- Water and Sewer Line Replacement Projects Update
- Electric Vehicle Station Update
- Electric Scooters Update
- Camera Project – 80% complete
- Heritage Park Grand Opening – July 29th 4:30 – 6:00, Ceremony at 5:30.
- Minute Man Statue was moved and set in Columbine Park at the Veterans Memorial
- Announcement: Starting week of August 8th the outdoor pool will be opened only on weekends until Labor Day weekend at which the outdoor pool will close
- Meeting with KPMX – City will partner with KPMX during County Fair
- Meeting with Website Developers “Revize” The Government Website Experts – Revise website planning

NEW BUSINESS:

2021 AUDIT PRESENTATION FROM LAUER, SZABO AND ASSOCIATES:

Mr. Scott Szabo, Lauer, Szabo and Associates, gave the 2021 audit report.

RESOLUTION NO. 7-4-22, SERIES OF 2022 – A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022 A BALLOT ISSUE AND TITLE CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN CITY DEBT FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY'S WASTEWATER UTILITY SYSTEM AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS REGARDING THE CONDUCT OF SUCH ELECTION:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council this Resolution authorizes placement of a ballot question regarding issuing Wastewater Utility Enterprise revenue bonds or incur other financial obligation to finance wastewater utility system capital improvements. This ballot question seeks to authorize an increase in City debt to finance improvements to the wastewater utility system capital improvements. On November 5, 2019, the registered electors of the City of Sterling approved to issue revenue bonds or incur other financial obligation to finance wastewater utility system capital improvements to not exceed \$37,000,000. Due to circumstances, including increases in costs for material, supply chain issues, new Build America Buy America requirements, and to ensure the ability to comply with new regulatory requirements, the City is requesting to increase debt to complete such capital improvements, not to exceed an additional \$29,000,000 with a total repayment cost of not more than \$58,177,035. Funds to pay for the

bonds or other financial obligations will be generated by the monthly sewer fee previously developed by a consultant, with a total repayment cost of not more than \$58,177,035.

Councilmember Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 7-4-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Janes seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 7-5-22, SERIES OF 2022 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, REQUESTING A STATE AVIATION GRANT FROM THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - AERONAUTICAL DIVISION AND APPROVING ALL GUIDELINES, PROCEDURES, STANDARDS, REQUIREMENTS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH GRANT, IDENTIFIED AS CDOT-AERONAUTICS DIVISION, SMALL DOLLAR GRANT AWARD, CDAG #: 22-STK-01:

City Manager Blankenship advised Council this Resolution approves a Grant Agreement with the Colorado Department of Transportation, Colorado Aeronautical Board, Division of Aeronautics, in connection with the FAA Airport Improvement Program Grant approved by Resolution No. 7-1-22, Series of 2022, for a project at the Sterling Municipal Airport, to Rehabilitate Apron (Design Only).

Councilmember Gaines made a motion to approve Resolution No. 7-2-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Gaines asked to have the Financial Impact read.

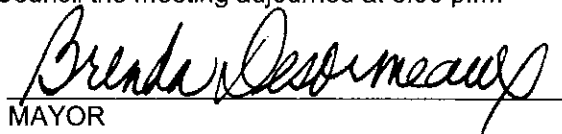
City Manager Blankenship advised Council in connection with the recent Grant awarded to the City by the United States of America, acting through the Federal Aviation Administration, in the amount of up to \$115,227.00, the City has received a Grant from the Colorado Department of Transportation – Aeronautical Division in the amount of up to \$6,401.00. The total Project Funding is \$128,030.00 and the remaining 5% funding that is the responsibility of the City is in the amount of \$6,402.00, which is budgeted in the 2022 Airport budget as Improvements.

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

MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Councilmember Anderson advised Council that he is moving to Kansas and the last meeting in August will be his last

There being no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK