

STERLING, COLORADO  
MAY 10, 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 Jodie Harless, Faith 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, May 10, 2022. Mayor Desormeaux called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Desormeaux
Councilmembers	Anderson Gaines Haynie Janes Ritter

Councilmembers absent:

Councilmember	Blecha
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Also present:

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

Citizens present: 8

Mayor Desormeaux advised two items would be taken off of the agenda. The first item is Agenda Item 7-B – MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE STERLING URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY. A member of the Authority will be attending the next Council meeting to explain what SURA is and does. Council will make its decision on appointments after SURA's presentation. The second item is Agenda Item 7-C - PUBLIC HEARING – REQUEST FROM BALLPARK, LLC FOR DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO THE CITY'S RETAIL DEVELOPMENT POLICY. Mr. Bart Connolly was not able to attend this meeting.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

Anderson	yes	Janes	yes
Haynie	abstain	Desormeaux	yes
Gaines	yes	Ritter	yes

Item on the consent agenda was: City Council minutes of April 26.

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

Present to address Council was Mr. Dean Haynes, 426 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Mr. Haynes advised he was present two weeks ago and he was back to explain some of the items in the packet he handed out.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE NO. 3, SERIES OF 2022 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CENTRAL DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES SUBDIVISION, BEING A PORTION OF THE N1/2NW1/4, SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 52 WEST, 6<sup>TH</sup> P.M., CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO; AND APPROVING THE PLAT THEREOF:**

City Manager Blankenship advised Council First Reading of this Ordinance took place on April 26, 2022, and it was thereafter published. On April 6, 2022, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the Subdivision Application submitted by David Lee Pickering and Kelly Don Pickering, as Agents for C Double P Land & Development LLC, and found that the application met all requirements of Chapter 18, Subdivisions.

The Planning Commission recommended approval of this subdivision, which will be known as the Central Development Properties Subdivision, being a portion of the N1/2NW1/4, Section 32, Township 8 North, Range 52 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., City of Sterling, Logan County, Colorado. This Ordinance sets forth findings by City Council and approves the subdivision and plat.

City Clerk Forbes read the ordinance by title

Mayor Desormeaux opened the public hearing.

There were no comments.

Mayor Desormeaux closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 3, Series of 2022. Councilmember Ritter seconded the motion. By a five-yes and one-abstain vote, the motion was approved. Voting was as follows:

Janes	yes	Ritter	yes
Gaines	abstain	Anderson	yes
Desormeaux	yes	Ritter	yes

**SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE NO. 4, SERIES OF 2022 — AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SUBDIVISION OF LOT 6 OF PLATTE VALLEY INDUSTRIAL PARK – PHASE 1 SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO; AND APPROVING THE PLAT THEREOF:**

City Manager Blankenship advised Council First Reading of this Ordinance took place on April 26, 2022, and it was thereafter published. On April 6, 2022, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the Subdivision Application submitted by Dan E. Long, as Agent for Platte Valley Real Estate, LLC, and found that the application met all requirements of Chapter 18, Subdivisions.

The Planning Commission recommended approval of this subdivision, which will be known as the Subdivision of Lot 6 of Platte Valley Industrial Park -- Phase 1 Subdivision in the City of Sterling, Logan County, Colorado. This Ordinance sets forth findings by City Council and approves the subdivision and plat.

City Clerk Forbes read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Desormeaux opened the public hearing.

There were no comments.

Mayor Desormeaux closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 4, Series of 2022. Councilmember Ritter seconded the motion. By a five-yes and one-abstain vote, the motion was approved. Voting was as follows:

Janes	yes	Ritter	yes
Gaines	abstain	Anderson	yes
Desormeaux	yes	Ritter	yes

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

City Manager Blankenship recognized Museum Curator Kay Rich for receiving the Citizen of the Year Award from the Logan County Chamber of Commerce and to Police Officer Makayla Chartier for being appointed to the RE-1 Valley School Board.

City Manager Blankenship updated Council on the following:

- Sales and Lodging Taxes – April 2022
- Water Production/Demand – April 2022
- Engineers of Mott McDonalds will present update on Wastewater Treatment Plant May 24<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting
- Update of Spring Cleanup
- Veteran Walkway Dedication Ribbon Cutting
- CML District Meeting in Yuma on May 26<sup>th</sup> 4:00 – 7:30pm Reminder
- Employee Luncheon Friday 13<sup>th</sup> at Pioneer Park at 11:30am – 1:00pm

City Manager Blankenship updated Council of the concerns from Mr. Dean Haynes. He had a packet for Council. He reviewed the notices and status of 416 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue.

City Manager Blankenship updated Council on the meetings of the Police and Fire Departments. It will be up to Council if they wish to go forward with this request. Also, if it will be in June or July. It was the consensus of Council to put this item on the Council agenda for the next meeting.

Mayor Desormeaux advised there is not a Councilmember present on the Humane Society Board. Councilmember Gaines was appointed to serve on the Human Society Board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY AND POLICE WEEK PROCLAMATION:**

Mayor Desormeaux read and presented the National Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week proclamation to Police Chief Kerr and members of the Police Department.

**RESOLUTION NO. 5-1-22, SERIES OF 2022 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, APPROVING TASK ORDER A, ATTACHMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ARMSTRONG CONSULTANTS, INC., AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID TASK ORDER A.:**

City Manager Blankenship advised Council by Resolution No. 1-1-21, Series of 2021, the City approved Armstrong Consultants, Inc. as the airport consultant for engineering and planning services. The services of Armstrong Consultants, Inc. described in Section 1 of that Agreement have been amended or supplemented with respect to the scope of work and fees for Element 1 – Rehabilitate Aircraft Parking Aprons (7,455 SY)(Design ONLY), and such amendment or supplement is reflected in Task Order A to the Agreement. This Resolution authorizes the Mayor to sign Task Order A to the Professional Services Agreement.

Councilmember Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 5-1-22, Series of 2022. Councilmember Gaines seconded the motion.

Councilmember Gaines asked if there was a grant available.

Mayor Desormeaux advised the City will be submitting an Application for Federal Assistance SF-424, AIP Grant 3-08-0052-017-2022, and if awarded, the City's share for these services will be 5% of the project cost, \$6,251.50.

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

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT – PARKS, LIBRARY AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT:**

Parks, Library and Recreation Director Gandee gave the Parks, Library and Recreation Department report.

**MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

Councilmember Gaines thanked the Fire Department for letting him ride along on a very busy day.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CRS 24-6-402(4)(e) FOR THE DISCUSSION OF MATTERS WHICH MAY BE SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION: DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE TRIP AGREEMENT and EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CRS 24-6-402(4)(e) FOR THE DISCUSSION OF MATTERS WHICH MAY BE SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION: DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION:**

Mayor Desormeaux made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to CRS 24-6-402 (4)(e) for the discussion of matters which may be subject to negotiation: Discussion of possible TRIP Agreement and pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(e) for the discussion of matters which may be subject to negotiation: Discussion of possible real estate acquisition. Councilmember Gaines seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Council went into executive session at 6:45 p.m.

Council came out of executive session at 7:10 p.m.

Mayor Desormeaux advised the participants in the executive session were: City Councilmembers; City Manager and City Attorney. 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 being no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK