

STERLING, COLORADO
SEPTEMBER 27, 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.

Councilmember Flores 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, September 27, 2016. Mayor Torres called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Torres
Councilmembers	Appelhans Flores Lawson McCarty Pitcher Rice

Also present:

City Manager	Saling
City Attorney	Penny
City Clerk	Forbes
Fire Chief	Ritter
Public Works Director	Good
Public Safety Communications Director	Hardesty
Street/Sanitation and PCF Superintendent	Rewoldt
Fire Fighter	Dotson
Paralegal	Welsh

Citizens present: 13

Mayor Torres made a motion to remove agenda item 7-C, "APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF HOTEL & RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE – BAKER'S STATION, LTD. – OLD TOWN BISTRO – 402 MAIN STREET" off of the agenda. This is due to a death in the family of the owner who

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could not be present tonight. Councilmember McCarty seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

Rice	yes	Flores	yes
Appelhans	abstain	Lawson	yes
McCarty	yes	Pitcher	yes
Torres	yes		

Items on the consent agenda were: City Council minutes of September 13, 2016 and application for renewal of tavern liquor license for Ice Lanes located at 208 North 10th Avenue.

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

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED 2017 BUDGET:

Mayor Torres opened the public hearing for the 2017 Proposed Budget.

City Manager Saling reviewed the total revenues, expenses and various items in the budget.

Mayor Torres closed the public hearing.

City Manager Saling advised Council that the next steps would be in two weeks to adopt the budget and approve the appropriation budget.

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE NO. 8, SERIES OF 2016 – AN ORDINANCE MAKING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$2,542,410) AND REGULATING THE PAYMENT OF MONEY OUT OF THE CITY TREASURY, AND INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE REVENUE BUDGET FOR 2016 BY FIVE HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED NINETEEN DOLLARS (\$513,819):

City Manager Saling advised Council that this ordinance reappropriates for projects and revenues received in 2016 after the 2016 budget was completed. Expenses will increase by \$2,542,410.00 and revenues by \$513,819.00.

City Clerk Forbes read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Torres opened the public hearing.

There were no comments.

Mayor Torres closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 8, Series of 2016. Councilmember Lawson seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Saling updated Council on the
Front Street landscaping project
Formal unveiling of the statues was held on September 24
CML District 1 Fall meeting in Wray on October 5

Sidewalk project is scheduled to start on October 3
2016 Street Surface Treatment program is scheduled to begin on October 10
Generator at the Service Center is complete
Fall cleanup is scheduled to begin October 17

City Manager Saling advised Council that Xcel Energy is requesting guidance from the City if it wants to participate in the conversion of our street lights from High Pressure Sodium to Light Emitting Diodes. There are two options available to the City. Under Option A, Xcel is responsible for all upfront costs for the conversion and the City realizes approximately \$6,710.00 a year in savings over our current costs. Under Option B, the City is responsible for all upfront costs which is estimated at \$194,628.00 for a total street light conversion and would save \$21,555.00 per year. The payback under this option would be 13.11 years. City Manager Saling advised Council he believes the City does not have funds for Option B and would recommend that the City select Option A.

There was discussion. The consensus of Council was to go with Option A.

NEW BUSINESS:

PRESENTATION OF INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Torres read the International Literacy Day Proclamation and presented it to Ms. Yvonne Avila-Draxler, Adult Education Lead Instructor, Northeastern Junior College.

PLANNING COMMISSION – MASTER PLAN:

Mr. Steve Burnham, Planning Commission, was present to speak with Council regarding the Master Plan. Mr. Burnham advised Council that the goal of the Planning Commission is to keep the Master Plan updated and current. They are currently sending out letters to stakeholders to get feedback of accomplishments that have been made. Ramifications of this are to celebrate success and possibly publishing new updates.

It was the consensus of Council to move forward on this.

RESOLUTION NO. 9-7-16, SERIES OF 2016 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, APPROVING A COLLECTIONS AGREEMENT, BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE STATE OF COLORADO, FOR COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS DUE TO THE CITY:

City Manager Saling advised Council this resolution approves a Central Collection Services Political Subdivisions & Special Districts Collections Agreement with the State of Colorado, for the State to provide collection services for past due debts owing to the City. The City will receive the benefit of receiving amounts that are past due, that are collected by the State pursuant to the terms of the subject agreement.

Councilmember Appelhans made a motion to approve Resolution No. 9-7-16, Series of 2016. Councilmember McCarty seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORT – FIRE DEPARTMENT:


Fire Fighter Michael Dotson gave an update of the Fire Department.

MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS:

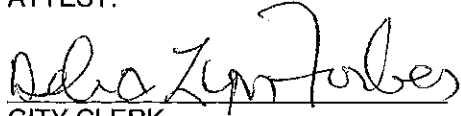
None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK