



**MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
City Council Chambers  
448 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Room 190  
City of Salida, Colorado  
Tuesday, October 6, 2015 6:30 p.m.**

**I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER –**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –** Led by Mayor Jim Dickson

**III. ROLL CALL**

Present at roll call were Mayor Jim Dickson, Council Members Keith Baker, Tom Yerkey, Eileen Rogers, Mike Bowers, Melodee Hallett and Hal Brown. Also present were City Treasurer Cheryl Brown-Kovacic, City Clerk Betty Schwitzer, City Attorney Karl Hanlon, City Administrator Dara MacDonald and Deputy City Clerk Christian Samora.

**IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Baker motioned to enter into Executive Session for a conference with an Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b); AND THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE PROVIDED FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES: Legal advice regarding potential litigation – Tafoya v. City of Salida and Diesslin Structures, Inc. Brown seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Following the conclusion of the executive session Hanlon reported that the suit has not been filed in court and that CIRSA agreed to represent the City. CIRSA will be appointing Steve Dawes to represent the City.

**V. PRESENTATION**

1. Lago, Italy Presentation (Terry Scanga)

Scanga stated that he spent about five weeks in Lago Italy and was given a task to go to the City Council and present an honorary citizenship certificate to the Mayor. Scanga presented the certificate to the Mayor after giving a translation of what the certificate said. The original certificate was in Italian.

**VI. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – 3 minute time limit. *Citizen participation is for items not on the agenda and for agenda items that are not scheduled public hearings.***

Jeff Auxier of Salida stated that he felt the duty to defend was made in regard to the Tafoya case, but not by the City Council. Hanlon stated that a lawsuit hasn't been filed yet.

Jim LiVecchi of Salida stated that he is on the Parish Council; he stated that nobody from the City has contacted the church to let them know what's going on with the Teller Street intersection. LiVecchi stated that he was also frustrated with the golf course solar and the communication that was given to residents near by.

Marty Garvey of Salida stated that she is confused about the pool. She stated that she was worried about the

project design, completing the project and leaving the fees for the next council to decide.

Shawn Gillis of Salida stated that he wanted to invite the City Council to the Fourth Grade Bicycle Program on October 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Each of the kids participating will receive a new helmet. He thanked the City Council for the bike lanes on HWY 50. He felt the bike lanes are a good solution for traffic calming.

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

**Hallett motioned to revisit the compensation for Mayor & Elected Officials. Bowers seconded the motion.**

Brown clarified when it would become effective. Hanlon clarified that members would need to be re-elected to receive the higher rate of pay.

**Bowers asked if the Treasurer would be affected. Hanlon stated that she would receive a raise if elected to council, but it would be the same if she is not elected.**

**In a 5-1 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED. Baker had the dissenting vote.**

The general direction of the Council was \$400/month for Elected Officials and \$500/month for the Mayor.

Brown would like to see a presentation to the City Council on a future agenda within the next meeting or two for the Salida Cyclones Swim Team.

Bowers stated that he was approached by someone who is concerned about affordable housing and to possibly lease parking spaces for the residents that live downtown.

Yerkey suggested getting input from the Downtown business owners.

The Council was in general agreement to consider leasing parking spaces or permits in the downtown area for residents.

## VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Brown stated that he would like to receive an update on the Teller Park Avenue intersection. He would like to see the results from a traffic engineering point of view.

## IX. SCHEDULED ITEMS

1. **Consent Agenda** (Christian Samora)
  - a) Approval of Agenda
  - b) Approval of Minutes: September 15, 2015
  - c) Central Colorado Foodshed Alliance ShedFest – Alpine Park & Special Events Liquor

Brown suggested that the water study should be removed from the agenda. He stated that the item was continued until information was available from the consultant. He also suggested that the 1A resolution be removed because he did not feel it was appropriate to have on the agenda.

**Yerkey motioned to combine and approve the items on the consent agenda and to continue #5 on the City Council Agenda. Brown seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **Lease Agreement with Colorado Department of Motor Vehicles, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Public Hearing** (Jan Schmidt)  
Ordinance 2015-17 approving a lease agreement for property located at 448 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street with the Colorado Department of Revenue, Division of Motor Vehicles

Schmidt introduced the agenda item and gave background information.

Dickson opened the public hearing.

There was not any public comment.

Dickson closed the public hearing.

**Brown motioned to continue the ordinance to the next City Council Meeting. Rogers seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**3. 2015 Budget Amendment & Public Hearing (Jan Schmidt)**

Resolution 2015-77 amending amounts budgeted for the 2015 Budget Year and amending the budget as to its form

Schmidt introduced the agenda item and explained what was within the budget amendment.

Bowers asked what the amount was for the pool. Schmidt provided the amount for the contract work and the architectural work.

Mayor Dickson opened the public hearing.

Jeff Auxier of Salida stated that he didn't know what was going on with the pool, but it would be nice to have a hot springs pool in Salida. He urged the Council to vote against the budget amendment to the extent that it is funding the pool. Auxier said to make sure that the BTUs are not being drawn out of the pool into the frozen ground and into the air.

Baker stated that the council was not prepared to do the whole project at once and the council wanted to do smaller parts.

Marty Garvey felt that the City was rushing into the project. She felt it was looking for trouble. She urged the council to deny the motion.

Monika Griesenbeck of Salida stated that she was here when the pool masterplan was presented. She stated that there was a young girl who said it was lame to have the soaking pool and water feature on HWY 50. She urged against approving the budget amendment.

Mayor Dickson closed the public hearing.

**Rogers motioned to approve Resolution 2015-77, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida, amending amounts budgeted for the 2015 Budget Year and amending the budget as to its form with the HVAC system included. Baker seconded the motion.**

Hallett stated that she agreed with the public comments. She felt there was a conflict when the water is too warm for the pool and it will not be hot enough for those who want to soak.

Baker felt there was adequate hot water.

Bowers stated that maybe a developer could help with something up on the mountain where the hot water line starts. He stated that he could not support the budget amendment with the pool in it. .

**In a 4-3 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED. Bowers, Brown and Hallett had the dissenting votes.**

**4. 2016 Preliminary Budget Presentation (Jan Schmidt)**

Schmidt gave an introduction and presented a PowerPoint while giving additional information and answering questions about the 2016 Budget.

5. **2015 Fire Hydrant and Valve Replacement Project** (Bob Salmi)  
Resolution 2015-78 approving the award of an agreement for the 2015 fire hydrants and valves replacement project and authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a construction services agreement between the City and Avalanche Excavating, Inc

Salmi gave an introduction and a brief background on the agenda item.

**Baker motioned to approve Resolution 2015-78, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida approving the award of an agreement for the 2015 fire hydrants and valves replacement project and authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a construction services agreement between the City and Avalanche Excavating, Inc. Yerkey seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

6. **Riverside Park Creative District Selection of Proposal** (Michael Varnum)  
Resolution 2015-79 awarding the purchase of a sculpture /sign for Riverside Park

Varnum gave a brief introduction and background on the agenda item.

Geraldine Alexander acknowledged the recent loss of William Boddy from the Salida Community.

**Rogers motioned to approve Resolution 2015-79, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida awarding the purchase of a sculpture /sign for Riverside Park. Baker seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

7. **Endurance Solar Relocation Construction Agreement** (Kevin Crowley)  
Resolution 2015-80 approving the award of an agreement for the Endurance Solar relocation construction agreement Relocation of Golf Course Solar Panels Project and authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a construction services agreement between the City and Endurance Solar and Engineering

Crowley introduced the agenda item and provided a brief background.

**Yerkey motioned to approve Resolution 2015-80, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida approving the award of an agreement for the Endurance Solar relocation construction agreement Relocation of Golf Course Solar Panels Project and authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a construction services agreement between the City and Endurance Solar and Engineering not to exceed \$24,480. Rogers seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

8. **2015 Fire Department HVAC System Project** (Kevin Crowley)  
Resolution 2015-81 approving the award of an agreement for the 2015 Fire Department HVAC System Project and authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a construction services agreement between the City and Mountain Air

Crowley introduced the agenda item and provided a brief background.

**Yerkey motioned to adopt Resolution 2015-81, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida approving the award of an agreement for the 2015 Fire Department HVAC System Project and authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a construction services agreement between the City and Mountain Air with an additional \$1,000 for asbestos related expense. Baker seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

9. **GOCO Grant Application** (Dara MacDonald)  
Resolution 2015-82 supporting the grant application for a local parks and outdoor recreating grant from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund and the completion of Riverside Park Playground Project 2015

MacDonald introduced the agenda item and provided a brief background.

**Baker motioned to approve Resolution 2015-82, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida supporting the grant application for a local parks and outdoor recreating grant from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund and the completion of Riverside Park Playground Project 2015. Rogers seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**10. Resolution supporting 1A Ballot Issue** (Dara MacDonald)

Resolution 2015-83 supporting the Chaffee County Ballot Issue 1A and urging registered voters to vote “yes” on November 3, 2015, on Chaffee County Ballot Issue 1A concerning the increase in the County sales tax in the amount of 0.5 percent for the emergency medical and disaster management services and dispatch expenses

MacDonald stated that Council was interested in having this resolution on the agenda for consideration.

**Baker motioned to approve Resolution 2015-83, a resolution of the City Council, City of Salida supporting the Chaffee County Ballot Issue 1A and urging registered voters to vote “yes” on November 3, 2015, on Chaffee County Ballot Issue 1A concerning the increase in the County sales tax in the amount of 0.5 percent for the emergency medical and disaster management services and dispatch expenses. Yerkey seconded the motion.**

Yerkey stated that it would benefit the City if this passed.

**In 4-0 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED. Hallett and Brown abstained.**

**11. Lease Agreement with Small Business Development Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading** (Dara MacDonald)

Ordinance 2015-18 approving a lease agreement for property located at 448 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street with the Small Business Development Center

MacDonald introduced the agenda item and provided a brief background.

**Baker motioned to approve Ordinance 2015-18, an ordinance of the City Council, City of Salida approving a lease agreement for property located at 448 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street with the Small Business Development Center and set public hearing for October 20, 2015. Rogers seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**12. Administrator/City Attorney/Deputy City Clerk**

- City Administrator Report – Dara MacDonald  
UP crossing agreement  
The Council was in favor of replacing the Clubhouse roof at the Golf Club.  
The Council was in favor of Canceling the first November meeting.
- City Attorney Report – Karp, Neu, Hanlon, PC
- Deputy City Clerk Report – Christian Samora

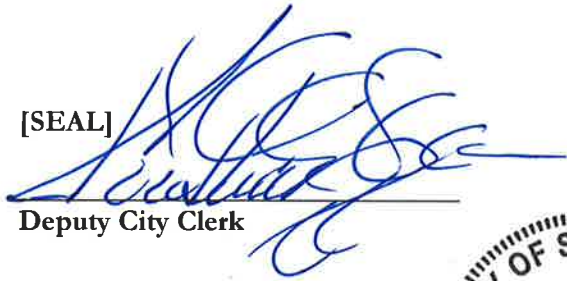
**13. Elected Official Reports**

- City Treasurer – Cheryl Brown-Kovacic
- City Clerk – Betty Schwitzer
- Mayor – Jim Dickson
- City Council- Keith Baker, Michael Bowers, Melodee Hallett, Eileen Rogers, Hal Brown and Tom Yerkey.

**X. ADJOURN –**

**Baker motioned to adjourn at 10:37 p.m., Yerkey seconded the motion. With all in favor, THE MOTION CARRIED.**

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Deputy City Clerk



Mayor

