

City of Greeley, Colorado
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
January 21, 2020

1. Call to Order

Mayor John Gates called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., in the Council's Chambers at the City Center South Campus, 1001 11th Avenue.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gates led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

3. Roll Call

Jessica Diagana, Assistant City Clerk, called the roll. Those present were Mayor John Gates and Councilmembers Tommy Butler, Ed Clark, Michael Fitzsimmons, Dale Hall, Brett Payton and Kristin Zasada.

4. Recognitions and Proclamations

Councilmember Clark presented the What's Great About Greeley Report.

5. Citizen Input

Steve Teets, Greeley resident, spoke of proposed legislation that would not allow employers to test for marijuana usage. He expressed his concern for this legislation noting that the private sector needs to have the power back because something like this could hurt their business or possibly put someone in danger because an employee is under the influence of marijuana while on the job.

Mary Roberts, Greeley resident, spoke of her excitement for the changes that have come with downtown parking. She spoke of the ease of use for the parking app and noted that the changes have been good for shop owners and employees in the downtown area and expressed her appreciation for City staff.

Mike Ketterling, Greeley resident, also spoke of the changes to downtown parking thanking the City for what they have done to try and make the parking situation better. He spoke of staff's efforts to seek input for the downtown business owners and has worked to solve any problems that have come up. He noted his appreciation that the City has done everything they can to make parking better than it was.

Bianca Fisher, Downtown Development Authority Director, noted that there are a variety of situations and needs when it comes to downtown parking and the new parking system has been able to manage many of these needs. She noted that there has been a great response from retailers after some initial hesitancy about the parking changes and that they have expressed that there has been a great improvement. She thanked staff for all of their work in this regard and their continued efforts in making the parking system even better.

6. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

7. Reports from Mayor and Councilmembers

Councilmember Fitzsimmons spoke of his attendance at the Visit Greeley monthly meeting and spoke of a report from the Colorado Hotel and Lodging Association which found that Greeley had a 65.1% occupancy rate which is much higher than the occupancy rates of other municipalities. He expressed his satisfaction with this as Greeley is becoming a great attraction.

Councilmember Hall spoke of his attendance at the Water Literate Leaders meeting and related projects in the state. He spoke of the Colorado Municipal League's Executive Board and that they will be discussing some of the current proposed legislation some of which includes paid family medical leave bills that could be impactful to the City.

Councilmember Zasada spoke of her attendance at the Downtown Development Authority meeting in which parking, the downtown library location and businesses that are opening soon were discussed.

Councilmember Butler spoke of two marches that he attend for the Women's March and the Martin Luther King Jr. March noting that both were well attended. He spoke of his next town hall meeting at Los Comales on Saturday, January 25th at 10 a.m.

8. Petitions from Mayor and Councilmembers

There were no petitions offered from Councilmembers.

****** Consent Agenda ******

9. Approval of the City Council Proceedings of January 7, 2020

The Council action recommended was to approve the Proceedings.

- 10. Consideration of a resolution of the Greeley City Council declaring its official intent to reimburse itself with the proceeds of one or more tax-exempt financings for certain capital expenditures undertaken or to be undertaken by the City in connection with its water system; identifying said capital expenditures; and providing certain other matters in connection therewith**

The Council action recommended was to adopt the resolution. **(Resolution No. 2, 2020)**

- 11. Consideration of a resolution of the Greeley City Council declaring its official intent to reimburse itself with the proceeds of one or more tax-exempt financings for certain capital expenditures undertaken or to be undertaken by the city in connection with its wastewater system; identifying said capital expenditures; and providing certain other matters in connection therewith**

The Council action recommended was to adopt the resolution. **(Resolution No. 3, 2020)**

- 12. Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the Greeley City Council to approve an application for grant funding from the North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization Multimodal Options Fund to construct Phases 2 And 3 of the #3 Canal Trail**

The Council action recommended was to adopt the resolution. **(Resolution No. 4, 2020)**

13. Posting Sites for Notices of City Council Meetings

The Council action recommended was to designate the City of Greeley's website as the official posting site for agendas of City Council Meetings and Worksessions.

14. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance amending Section 14.08.160 of the Greeley Municipal Code (Concerning Watering Restrictions for Inside the City Single-Family Residential Customers on Water Budget Rates)

The Council action recommended was to introduce the ordinance and schedule the public hearing and final reading for February 4, 2020.

15. Introduction and first reading of an Ordinance changing the official zoning map of the City of Greeley, Colorado, from R-L (Residential Low Density) to R-M (Residential Medium Density) for 1.87 acres of property and from R-M (Residential Medium Density) to R-H (Residential High Density) with an associated Development Concept Master Plan for 4.22 acres of property, located west of 47th Avenue, east of 49th Avenue Court, north of 25th Street, and south of 24th Street, known as the Park Crossing Rezone

The Council action recommended was to introduce the ordinance and schedule the public hearing and final reading for February 4, 2020.

***** End of Consent Agenda *****

Councilmember Payton moved, seconded by Councilmember Hall to approve the items on the Consent Agenda and their recommended actions. The motion carried: 7-0

10. Pulled consent agenda items

No items were pulled from the Consent Agenda.

11. Parking Update

Will Jones, Deputy Public Works Director, provided a parking services updating including the parking system prior to implementing any changes, parking services goals, parking turnover, parking services post implementation, parking alternatives, educational opportunities, enforcement, January 1, 2020, adjustments, potential options to explore and next steps.

Councilmember Zasada inquired about the parking permits, and Mr. Jones reported that there are a mixture of permit types that are first come, first served. He also noted that the cost of the parking permits depends on the zone and that there is the possibility of adding more permit parking with other parking lots in the downtown area being eyed for this type of use.

Councilmember Hall expressed concern as he has heard from his constituents that they do not understand the color zones for parking. Mr. Jones reported that there is a plan for some regulatory signage and the possibility of working with a marketing firm to alleviate this concern.

Mayor Gates thanked Mr. Jones for addressing the fact that revenue generation was not a driver in

implementing these changes and that the goal was for citizens to have the opportunity to have access to parking more easily and readily. He expressed that the feedback that he has received is that the changes are valuable and working.

12. Boards & Commissions Appointments

Citizen Budget Advisory Committee

Blythe Driver
Lori Williams
Recruit for additional applicants

Greeley Urban Renewal Authority

Paloma Duran
Heather Utrata

Historic Preservation Commission

Dan Podell

24. Scheduling of meetings, other events

Councilmember Hall moved, seconded by Councilmember Clark to cancel the February 11, 2020, Worksession Meeting. The motion carried: 7-0

Councilmember Butler moved, seconded by Councilmember Zasada to cancel the November 3, 2020, Council meeting. The motion carried: 7-0

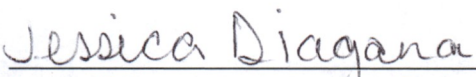
Council also discussed the cancellation of the June 23, 2020, Council meeting and to continue that discussion until it is better determined how many Councilmembers will actually be attending the Colorado Municipal League Conference.

25. Consideration of a motion authorizing the City Attorney to prepare any required resolutions, agreements, and ordinances to reflect action taken by the City Council at this meeting and at any previous meetings, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all such resolutions, agreements, and ordinances

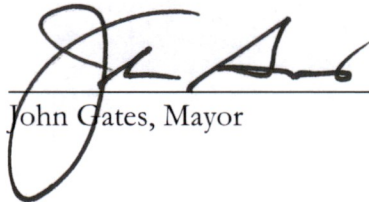
Councilmember Payton moved, seconded by Councilmember Hall to approve the above authorizations, and the motion carried: 7-0

26. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gates adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



Jessica Diagona, Assistant City Clerk



John Gates, Mayor