

City of Greeley, Colorado
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
March 19, 2024

1. Call to Order

Mayor Gates called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 1001 11th Ave, Greeley, Colorado, with hybrid participation available via the City's Zoom platform.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gates led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Heidi Leatherwood, City Clerk called the roll.

The following were present:
Councilmember Tommy Butler
Councilmember Deb DeBoutez
Mayor Pro Tem Dale Hall
Councilmember Brett Payton
Councilmember Johnny Olson
Councilmember Melissa McDonald
Mayor John Gates

4. Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Gates announced that Item 9 – UNC Spring Update will be removed from the agenda and come back on a future agenda.

5. Recognitions and Proclamations

Proclamations:

Mayor Gates read the Parkinson's Awareness Month Proclamation at 6:01 p.m. and Bill Sterling was present in Council Chambers to accept.

Mayor Gates read the 2024 Community College Month Proclamation at 6:08 p.m. and John Haefeli, Russ, Rothamer, Zachary McFarlane, Natalie Stevens, Bryelle Rummings, Wyatt Eklund, and Jeffery Thatch from Aims Community College were present in Council Chambers to accept.

Mayor Gates read the Fair Housing Month Proclamation at 6:15 p.m. City of Greeley Housing Director Deb Callies, Grant Specialist B.J. Spamer, and Affordable Housing Manager Ashley Weesner were present in Council Chambers to accept.

What's Great About Greeley

Councilmember Olson presented the *What's Great about Greeley?* presentation at 6:19 p.m.

6. Citizen Input

1. Steve Teets spoke on how a transit system is important to growth. He also spoke about housing, homelessness, transit, transportation, and infrastructure.
2. Ricardo Cadena spoke about housing and homelessness and the negative impact that it is having on the community.
3. David Meek thanked Aims Community College for being part of the community. He asked Council about whether there was reconsideration on his request to be reinstated as a volunteer. Mayor Gates said this was not a decision that can be made by Council, and it is closed for further discussion due to staff's final decision.
4. Edwin Grant spoke about Weld County and their decision to remove public input and the issues that the county is currently facing. He also spoke about public finance and taxes change over time.

7. Reports from Mayor and Councilmembers

1. Mayor Pro Tem Hall spoke about interviewing students for the Youth Commission Board with Councilmember DeBoutez. He acknowledged Levi Aldridge in the audience and thanked him for taking the time to attend.
2. Councilmember Olson thanked Levi Aldridge for being in attendance. He also spoke about the Front Range Passenger Rail going to the Senate on the consent agenda to remove Weld County from the taxing district.
3. Councilmember McDonald spoke about attending the National League of Cities in Washington D.C. and how wonderful it was to talk to other members from various cities. She was proud to share the advancements that Greeley's Housing Department has made.
4. Councilmember Butler spoke about his attendance at the Greeley Home Ownership Program (G-Hope) Lunch and Learn and the expansion of the program.
5. Mayor Gates spoke about his attendance at the Crime Prevention and Public Safety Committee at the National League of Cities. Mayor Gates recognized the progress of public safety in Greeley.

8. Initiatives from Mayor and Councilmembers

None

9. University of Northern Colorado Spring Update

Mayor Gates reminded Council that this item was removed from the agenda.

Consent Agenda

- 10. A motion to approve the City Council Meeting Proceedings of February 20, 2024, and City Council Work Session Proceedings of February 27, 2024**

11. A resolution authorizing the City of Greeley to enter into a grant agreement between the City of Greeley and the Urban Sustainability Directors Network (USDN), a non-profit organization regarding receipt of grant funding for Greeley Tree Canopy Rescue
12. A resolution authorizing the city to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Fort Collins regarding certain aspects of the Halligan Water Supply Project
13. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance amending Title 1, Chapter 12 and Title 2, Chapter 12 of the Greeley Municipal Code relating to code compliance and chronic public nuisance
14. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance appropriating additional sums to defray the expenses and liabilities of the City of Greeley for the balance of the fiscal year of 2024 and for funds held in reserve for encumbrances through December 31, 2023

End of Consent Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Hall moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items 9-14. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 at 6:42 p.m.

15. **Pulled Consent Agenda Items**
None.
16. **Appointments to Boards & Commissions**
City Clerk Leatherwood announced the appointments:
 - Museum Board: Floris Mikkelson and Emma Pena-McMleave 3-year term
 - Youth Commission Board – Levi Aldrige and Miranda Contreras 3 – year term
17. **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 any previous meetings, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all such resolutions, agreements, and ordinances**

Councilmember Payton moved to approve the motion. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote 7-0 at 6:43 p.m.
18. **Scheduling of Meetings, Other Events**
None.
19. **A motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving feedback pertaining to completing the annual performance review of the City Manager**

A motion to go into an Executive Session to discuss the following matter as provided under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f) and Greeley Municipal Code Section 2.151(6)(a): To discuss personnel reporting to the City Council.

Councilmember Payton moved to approve the motion. Councilmember Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 at 6:44 p.m.

The mayor added that the Council will not be returning to the meeting after the adjournment of the Executive Session.

20. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gates adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

19. Executive Session

The Executive Session was called to order at 6:49 p.m. for the purpose of receiving feedback pertaining to completing the annual performance review of the City Manager

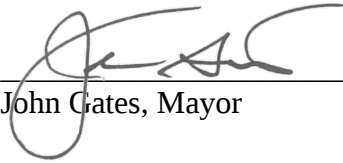
Present at this executive session were the following people: All members of the City Council were present plus City Manager Raymond Lee.

Mayor Gates cautioned each participant to confine discussion to the stated purpose and reminded that no formal action may occur in the Executive Session. If at any point any participant believed that the discussion was going outside the proper scope of the Executive Session, participants were advised to interrupt the discussion and raise an objection.

The executive session concluded at 8:11 p.m.

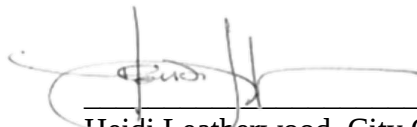
The recording of this executive session will be retained as provided in the City's records retention policy and in conformity with the Colorado Open Meetings Law for a period of 90 days.

Approved:



John Gates, Mayor

Attest:



Heidi Leatherwood, City Clerk