

City of Greeley, Colorado
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
May 7, 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 – via Zoom

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 Item12 – Introduction and first reading of an ordinance adding Chapter 8 to Title 18 of the Greeley Municipal Code relating to Museums will be removed from the agenda and come back on a future agenda.

5. Recognitions and Proclamations

Proclamations:

Mayor Gates read the National Public Works Week Proclamation at 6:02 p.m. and members of the City of Greeley Public Works Department and Paul Trombino, Public Works Director were present in Council Chambers to accept.

Mayor Gates read the Historic Preservation Month Proclamation at 6:06 p.m. Christen DePetro, Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission, Vice Chair Sean Jaehn, and Historic Preservation Commission Member Doran Azari, as well as Melissa Martinez and Betsy Kellums, Planner III – Historic Preservation from the City of Greeley were present in Council Chambers to accept.

Mayor Gates read the Mental Health Month Proclamation at 6:09 p.m. Kim Collins, CEO of North Range Behavioral Health, Julia Reinink, Chief Nursing Officer, Paul Hutton, Megan Cain, and Victoria Cordova, Director of Behavioral Health Services, all with

Banner Health, and City of Greeley Fire Chief Brian Kuznik were present in Council Chambers to accept.

Mayor Gates read the National Police Week Proclamation at 6:14 p.m. City of Greeley Police Chief Adam Turk, Commander Kyle Peltz, Sergeant Fidel Sanchez, Officer Tyler Nebelsick, Officer Paul Shannon, and Chairwoman of the Chief's Latino Advisory Committee Sandi Elder were present in Council Chambers to accept.

What's Great About Greeley

Councilmember McDonald presented the *What's Great about Greeley?* presentation at 6:17 p.m.

Mayor Gates introduced Allena Portis as the new Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer at 6:20 p.m.

6. Citizen Input

1. Steve Teets spoke about his concerns for public transportation and homelessness.
2. Todd Loschen voiced his concerns regarding the four-way intersection in Cedar Ridge Subdivision and the posted speed limit. He said he would continue coming to meetings until the situation resolved.

7. Reports from Mayor and Councilmembers

1. Councilmember Olson spoke about attending a Habitat for Humanity Event in coordination with the Team Up Project that was a panel discussion on the refugee and immigrant population. He noted that Habitat for Humanity would be sponsoring a Building Impact breakfast on July 11th at 6:45 a.m., at Christ Community Church.
2. Mayor Pro Tem Hall read the proclamation for National Arbor Day on April 27 at Sanborn Park. Councilmember DeBoutez attended as well.
3. Councilmember McDonald spoke about the Neighborhood Action Team Shoplift Blitz at the end of April and thanked the Greeley Police Department for conducting it. She reported that there were seven shoplifting incidents, six tickets issued, five different warrants and \$642 in merchandise that that was saved.
4. Mayor Gates attended the state capital to celebrate Greeley Day. He thanked City Manager Raymond Lee and his staff.

8. Initiatives from Mayor and Councilmembers

Mayor Pro Tem Hall asked for consensus to review impact fees to determine if planning was generating the needed income. He referred to the April 23 work session, in which they were reviewing revenues. He had asked for a report on the impact fee structure and had received and reviewed it, and now has more questions.

Mayor Gates asked for consensus on staff providing more information on the impact fees. The council reached consensus to move forward with this initiative.

Consent Agenda

9. **A motion to approve the City Council Meeting Proceedings of April 2, 2024, and City Council Work Session Proceedings of April 9, 2024**
10. **A motion for an appointment to the Greeley/Weld Housing Authority**
11. **A resolution authorizing the City of Greeley to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Weld County RE-5J School District regarding land dedication for schools**
13. **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 2023**

End of Consent Agenda

Councilmember Olson moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 9-11 and 13.
Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 at 6:37 p.m.

14. **Greeley Municipal Code relating to Museums**
Mayor Gates reminded Council that this item was removed from the agenda.
15. **2024 Ballot Planning Focus Group Summary-** Alex Dunn with Aspect Strategic presented a report on a focus group discussion. The council was asked for their consensus on what ballot items to move forward with for a second focus group. The council reached consensus to move forward on Food Tax, Transportation Debt Issuance, and Public Safety. The council did not reach consensus to move forward on Dedicated Open Space.
16. **Public hearing and second reading of an ordinance authorizing a salary increase for the City Manager**
Chief People Officer Kimberly Southern-Weber introduced the item at 7:24 p.m. She noted that there would be a single presentation for both Items 16 and 17, but separate public hearings.

The presentation covered the process of the annual review and compensation increases for the City Manager and Municipal Judge.

The public hearing opened at 7:27 p.m.

1. Steve Teets noted that the City Manager and Judge had received increases the past three years. He would like to see police officers receive raises instead, and fund transportation and homelessness.

With no further speakers, the public hearing closed at 7:29 p.m.

Councilmember Payton moved to approve the motion. Councilmember Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 at 7:29 p.m.

17. Public hearing and second reading of an ordinance authorizing a salary increase for the Municipal Judge

The public hearing opened at 7:30 p.m.

With no speakers, the public hearing closed at 7:31 p.m.

Councilmember Olson moved to approve the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 at 7:32 p.m.

Mayor Gates announced that Interim City Attorney Stacey Aurzada was the sole finalist for the City Attorney vacancy.

18. 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 7-0 at 7:34 p.m.

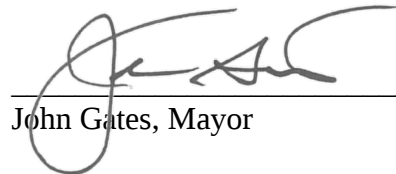
19. Scheduling of Meetings Other Events

None.

20. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gates adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Approved:



John Gates, Mayor

Attest:



Heidi Leatherwood, City Clerk