

City of Greeley, Colorado
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
June 18, 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

None.

5. Recognitions and Proclamations

Proclamations:

Mayor Gates read the Greeley Stampede Proclamation at 6:01 p.m. Greeley Stampede Committee General Chair Julie Jensen and Stampede committee members, Jesse Leos, Jen Baiamonte, Junior Barrios, Stephen Walker and Jon Patton were present in Council Chambers to accept.

Mayor Gates read the World Refugee Day Proclamation at 6:05 p.m. Araceli Calderon, Syukur Manaf, Yodit Abraha from the Immigrant and Refugee Center of Northern Colorado and Alex Kloen, Jelden, Jean Roberto Gasarasi, and Margie Moo from Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains were present in Council Chambers to accept.

Mayor Gates read the Parks & Recreation Month proclamation at 6:10 p.m. Director Culture, Parks, and Recreation Diana Frick, Recreation Division Manager Daniel Lawrence, Parks Division Manager Eric Bloomer, Business Manager Benjamin Alexander, Island Grove Division Manager Casandra Keller, Golf Division Manager

Chris Colling, and Forestry Manager Shiloh Hatcher were present in Council Chambers to accept.

Mayor Gates read the proclamation recognizing Juneteenth Independence Day at 6:15 p.m. City of Greeley Housing Director Deb Callies was present in Council Chambers to accept.

What's Great About Greeley

Councilmember Olson presented the *What's Great about Greeley?* presentation at 6:18 p.m.

6. Citizen Input

1. Mariah Foster, from the Immigrant and Refugee Center of Northern Colorado, spoke about her work educating students through the center. She explained that the students value health and family. She thanked Council.
2. Linde Thompson with Historic Greeley Preservation, the preservation the First Baptist Church, Armory, and the Greeley Museum. She was excited to highlight the opening of the Boys and Girls Club Center and reuse a historic building. She thanked the Council.

7. Reports from Mayor and Councilmembers

Councilmember Butler spoke about the upcoming Family Field Day at Lincoln Park. He extended an invitation for everyone to attend, and mentioned he be participating in the dunk tank.

Mayor Gates added that he would also be participating in the dunk tank. Proceeds from the event will go to support local Special Olympics.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall attended the University of Northern Colorado (UNC) Legislative Update. He thanked Senator Kirkmeyer and Representative Mary Young for putting together a good team. He also spoke about the Colorado Municipal League (CML) Conference in Loveland and encouraged others to attend. He enjoyed the Alquist Tour with Assistant City Manager Juliana Kitten and other CML attendees.

8. Initiatives from Mayor and Councilmembers

None.

Consent Agenda

9. **A motion to approve the City Council Meeting Proceedings of May 21, 2024, and City Council Work Session Proceedings of May 28, 2024**
10. **A resolution appointing Stacey Aurzada to the position of City Attorney**
11. **A resolution supporting the grant application for a Generation Wild Planning Grant from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund and the completion of Generation Wild of Greeley**

12. A resolution authorizing the City Attorney's Office to institute legal action for the purpose of recovering damages against companies who manufacture, market, and sell aqueous film-forming (AFFF) foam and/or products containing per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) substances
13. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance relating to acquiring Real Property by Purchase or Exercise of Eminent Domain (37th Street Bridge Improvement Project)
14. Introduction and first reading of ordinance relating to acquire Real Property by Purchase or Exercise of Eminent Domain (4th Street and 83rd Avenue Improvement Project)
15. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance relating to acquiring Real Property by Purchase or Exercise of Eminent Domain (4th Street - 5th Street and 23rd Avenue Project)
16. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance to establish Local Improvement District No. 346590 for the Westgate Non-Potable Pump Station under Title 18, Chapter 6 (Local Improvement Districts) of the Greeley Municipal Code

End of Consent Agenda

Councilmember Butler moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items 9-16
Councilmember Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 at 6:33 p.m.

17. Pulled Consent Agenda Items

None.

18. Public hearing and second reading of an ordinance authorizing a salary and certain benefits for the City Attorney, Stacey Aurzada

Chief People Officer Kimberly Southern-Weber introduced the item at 6:33 p.m.

Senior Assistant Attorney Jenny Lopez-Filkins attended virtually to answer any questions.

The City Council selected Stacey Aurzada to be appointed as the Greeley City Attorney. The City Council negotiated a contract with Ms. Aurzada which was presented to the Council for adoption of the ordinance.

The public hearing opened at 6:34 p.m.

1. Steven Girard Sulavsky from Merino, Ohio began by asking a question of the City Attorney. Mayor Gates paused him because this public hearing was only to address the salary and benefits of the position. He advised him that he could speak during "Citizen Input" at a Regular City Council meeting.

The public hearing closed at 6:36 p.m.

Councilmember Payton moved to approve the motion. Councilmember DeBoutez seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 at 6:36 p.m.

Mayor Gates welcomed Stacey Aurzada as the new City Attorney and thanked her for loyal service throughout the years.

19. Appointments to Boards & Commissions

City Clerk Heidi Leatherwood announced the appointments:

- Water & Sewer Board – 5-year term - Fred Otis and Matthew Anderson
- Museum Board – 3-year term – Scott Chartier
- Downtown Development Authority – 4-year term - Andy Feinstein, Kevin Ross, Linda Winter

20. 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 Butler moved to approve the motion. Councilmember Payton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote 7-0 at 6:38 p.m.

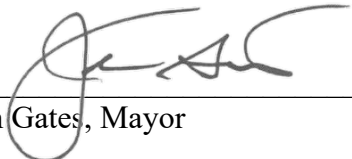
21. Scheduling of Meetings Other Events

None.

22. Adjournment

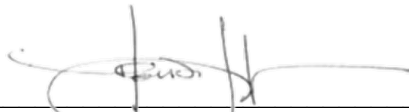
With no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gates adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Approved:



John Gates, Mayor

Attest:



Heidi Leatherwood, City Clerk