



CITY OF LEADVILLE
Tuesday, July 6th, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
800 HARRISON AVE, LEADVILLE, CO.

Call to order of special meeting: 6:10 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Roll call: CM Lauritzen, CM Hill, Mayor Labbe, CM Gowing, and CM Forgensi were present. MPT Greene was absent.

Approval of the agenda. Three items on the agenda have been continued because Planning & Zoning didn't have quorum and have been continued to the July 20th City Council meeting. CM Hill moved to approve the agenda. CM Forgensi seconded. Passed unanimously.

Housekeeping matters: Mayor Labbe reported that the Irish contingent will be here on September 26th. The mayor is sending out a newsletter about the Historic Preservation District and the National Overlay District. There were technical difficulties with the audio for the Zoom component of the meeting. People were notified via Zoom chat that the Zoom component was discontinued. Mayor Labbe wanted to thank the community for creating a fun Fourth of July. The interviews for police chief are being scheduled for the week of July 20th. (6:11 p.m. – 6:19 p.m.)

Public comments: Steve Prestash commented on developers in his neighborhood and ethics. Kristi Galaza commented on the available dates for a joint work session with the BOCC about housing and HB21-1217. (6:19 p.m. – 6:28 p.m.)

Approval of the minutes for 6/1/21, 6/15/21 and 6/22/21. CM Lauritzen moved to approve the minutes for June 1, 2021. CM Gowing seconded. CM Lauritzen, CM Gowing, CM Forgensi and Mayor Labbe voted to approve the minutes. CM Hill abstained since he was not present at that meeting.

CM Hill suggested the following changes to the 6/15/21 minutes: Under Housekeeping matters make the correction from "crosswalks" to "curbs". Also in Housekeeping matters, "base" should be "bass". Under Mainstreet "continency" is misspelled, should be "contingency". Under Council reports, Council Member "Forgensi" has questions about the election process should be Council Member "Hill" since CM Forgensi was absent for that meeting. CM Hill moved to approve the minutes for the City Council meeting on June 15, 2021 with the changes. GM Gowing seconded. CM Forgensi abstained. Mayor Labbe and CM Gowing, Lauritzen, and Hill approved the minutes.

Correct the spelling of "Zite's", "sewar", "Excel", and change "He" to Mayor. Clarification on the wording that "Parkville has agreed to waive the tap fee". The Mayor did update Council on the \$59.00 expense from True Value was for a family that didn't have fire extinguishers. CM Gowing moved to approve the Tuesday, June 22nd, Special Council Meeting Minutes with the noted edits. CM Forgensi seconded. Passed unanimously. (6:28 p.m. – 6:36 p.m.)



Appointment of Ward 2 council seat. There were two letters of interest from Rodman Weston and Francisco “Cisco” Tharp. City Council interviewed both candidates. City Council voted by ballot given to the City Deputy Clerk. CM Tharp joined City Council for the remainder of the meeting.
(6:36 p.m. – 6:49 p.m.)

City Council	Votes for Weston	Votes for Tharp
CM Forgensi		X
CM Hill		X
Mayor Labbe	x	
CM Gowing	x	
CM Lauritzen		X

Presentation regarding TRIAD Employee Assistance Program by Sarah Dallas. CM Lauritzen moved to approve entering into EAP services with Triad for the remainder of 2021 and moving forward as a city of Leadville employee benefit as the 6-visit plan with the add on of all the optional services. CM Hill seconded. Passed unanimously.
(6:49 p.m. – 6:57 p.m.)

Conditional Use Permit Public Hearing. (6:57 p.m. – 7:39 p.m.)

Conditional Use Permit Hearing for light manufacturing in Retail Core by Melanzana 721 Harrison Ave. Presented by Fritz Howard. There was no ex parte communication. There was public comment in favor by Marla Akridge and public comment against by Steve Prestash. Fritz Howard didn’t have a rebuttal. CM Gowing moved to close the public input portion of the public hearing. CM Forgensi seconded. Passed unanimously.

CM Hill moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Melanzana to conduct light manufacturing as an expansion of its existing building across the street at 721 Harrison Avenue, Leadville, CO 80461 based on the criteria set forth in the staff report dated June 20th 2021, the City of Leadville’s municipal code, Sections 17.52.040 and the 2015 Leadville Comprehensive Plan. All representations made by the applicant and relied upon by the Planning and Zoning Commission and/or the City Council in evaluating the Conditional Use Permit shall be deemed a part of the application and binding upon the applicant. CM Gowing seconded. Passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 6, Series 2021: An Ordinance Adopting a Development Agreement Between the City of Leadville and High Country Developers, LLC Concerning Vested Rights for Phase I of the Railyard Leadville Development. Presented by Christiana McCormick, Assistant City Attorney.

CM Lauritzen moved to adopt Ordinance No. 6, Series of 2021, An Ordinance Adopting a Development Agreement Between the City of Leadville and High Country Developers, LLC Concerning Vested Rights for Phase I of the Railyard Leadville Development on second reading. I further move to direct City staff to work with High Country Developers to bring forward an amendment to the Phase 1 PUD that adopts appropriate development standards for the LURA parcel with all due haste. CM Hill seconded. Passed unanimously.



Ordinance No. 7, Series 2021: An Ordinance Establishing a Temporary Moratorium on Approval of Land Use Applications and Business License Applications for New Formula Businesses in the Retail Corer Zoning District and Declaring an Emergency (the “Bud Elliot Ordinance”). Presented by Sarah Dallas, Administrative Services Manager. A formula business was defined as a business with at least 7 locations in the U.S.

CM Gowing moved to adopt Ordinance No. 7, Series 2021, An Ordinance Establishing a Temporary Moratorium on Approval of Land Use Applications and Business License Applications for New Formula Businesses in the Retail Core Zoning District and Declaring an Emergency (the “Bud Elliot Ordinance”) on second reading. CM Lauritzen seconded. Passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 8, Series of 2021: An Ordinance Amending the Official Ward Map of the City. Presented by Sarah Dallas, Administrative Services Manager.

CM Forgensi moved to adopt Ordinance No. 8, Series of 2021, An Ordinance Amending the Official Ward Map of the City on second reading. CM Hill seconded. Passed unanimously.

Public Meetings Planner: The Mayor noted that the HPC meeting was next week not today. Ms. Dallas mentioned that Planning and Zoning is meeting 7/14/21. There was a discussion about continuing with Zoom meeting once the technical issues are resolved because of the increased public participation and support for Zoom/hybrid City Council meetings. (7:57 p.m. – 8:03 p.m.)

Mayor’s report: He is working with legal on the service contract for Ms. Dae and also an individual to be a contract city planner in the interim.

Council reports: CM Forgensi wanted to be sure City Council acknowledge Ms. Dae’s 7.5 years of service to the City of Leadville on the July 27th meeting. Mayor Labbe gave update on the sidewalk work permit, which was filled today, since it had to be pulled by the City, not CDOT, for the work to be completed. The traffic control plan for the permit cost the City an additional \$75. CM Forgensi asked is there could be a “City Hall Clean-Up Day” for the entrance of City Hall and Council Chambers. CM Lauritzen announced that 7/14/21 from 5-6 our State House Representative, Julie McCluskie, will be at Ice Palace Park to give an legislative update. CM Forgensi asked if the Fire Department had a chipper for wildfire management. Mayor Labbe clarified that the Fire Department doesn’t own a chipper. CM Forgensi is very concerned about preparing for a potential wildfire in our community by working with the county on more fuel mitigations. CM Gowing asked about the P.D. interview team and a discuss ensued about the interview team. CM Gowing asked for an update on the engineering with the Tabor. Mayor Labbe shared that the Tabor will be coming to Council on the 20th to ask for help with the DOLA grant. (8:04 p.m. – 8:27 p.m.)

Additional public comments about items not on the agenda. Marla Akridge commented that there has been public comment on the state of City Hall in support of CM Forgensi’s comment. The EDC is doing interviews via Zoom in two weeks.

Adjournment: 8:29 p.m.



APPROVED this 3rd day of August, 2021 by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstaining, and 0 absent.

CITY OF LEADVILLE, COLORADO

ATTEST:

By

Diane Kiss, Deputy City Clerk