

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

REGULAR MEETING

7:04 p.m. * Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Mayor Winkler.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Councilors Barbara Clifton, Joe Elliott, Ed Green, Theresa Hamilton, Annick Pruett, Dana Wood, and Mayor Randy Winkler.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Matt Sturgeon, City Clerk Kristy Christensen, City Attorney Jim Neu, Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Manager Michael Churchill, Planning Director Nathan Lindquist, Court Clerk Kathy Pototsky, Interim Police Chief Sam Stewart, Building Inspector John Nihiser, and Ryan Hoffman.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

A. Accounts Payable

Councilor Wood moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A; seconded by Councilor Pruett.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Citizen comments were heard

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist noted the Planning Commission has interviewed Treonna Villasenor as a candidate for the open alternate position on the Planning Commission. Planning Commission requests Council approve her appointment to the board.

Councilor Green moved to appoint Treonna Villasenor as an alternate to the Planning and Zoning Commission; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

RECEIVE REPORT ON BUILDING FEE WAIVER PROGRAM

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist presented a summary and analysis of the current fee waiver program and the previous fee waiver program including the stimulative impact and the fiscal impact to the City's budget.

No action was taken

CONSIDER RIFLE REPEALING OFFENSE OF LOITERING FOR THE PURPOSE OF BEGGING - ORDINANCE No. 20 SERIES OF 2016 – FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTER 10 OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING LOITERING FOR THE PURPOSE OF BEGGING.

Court Clerk Kathy Pototsky explained due to recent legal case law out of Grand Junction in *Browne v. City of Grand Junction* it appears necessary to repeal Section 10-3-80(b)(1), the prohibition on loitering for the purpose of begging.

Councilor Elliott moved to approve Ordinance No. 20, series of 2016 as presented and order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Pruett.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

CONSIDER DESIGNATION AND BULK SALE OF SURPLUS VIDEO EQUIPMENT

City Manager Matt Sturgeon noted staff is requesting used analog video equipment from Rifle Community TV be designated as surplus by City Council. Section 4-3-130 of the Rifle Municipal Code requires surplus be sold at auction. Staff is requesting Council waive this requirement and allow the surplus to be sold to the Town of Silt for the amount of \$3,906.

Councilor Green moved to approve the designation and bulk sale of surplus video equipment; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

CONSIDER APPROVING FINAL PLAT OF MCLEARN ORCHARDS LOT 7A MINOR SUBDIVISION, RESOLUTION No. 18 SERIES OF 2016

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist explained the City received an application to subdivide Lot 7A of McLearn Orchard Lands located on 10th Street South into 4 lots. The Property contains 4 separate buildings and subdividing the property for each building to be on a separate lot is the main purpose for the application. The Planning Commission and staff recommended approval of the minor subdivision.

Tom Hewart representative of Empty Enterprises, LLC presented details of application.

Councilor Pruett moved to approve Resolution No. 18, Series of 2016; seconded by Councilor Clifton.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

CONSIDER AMENDING RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE GEOGRAPHIC AND DESIGN CRITERIA FOR WIND LOAD STANDARD - ORDINANCE NO. 21, SERIES OF 2016 – FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, AMENDING SECTION 18-2-30 OF THE OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO CLIMATIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DESIGN CRITERIA IN THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE.

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist stated Staff’s review of Chapter 18 (Building Regulations) of the City Code identified a provision that can lead to unnecessarily high building costs in the City. Under that section, the Code requires structural design criteria to meet or exceed assumed wind speeds of 90 miles per hour. However, the criteria fails to account for wind exposure in design standards, thereby treating a home built in an open field on top of the mesa the same as a home built in a dense residential subdivision. To rectify this oversight, City Staff has recommended a text amendment to Section 18-2-30, to allow the City’s building official to determine the appropriate wind exposure level.

Councilor Clifton moved to approve Ordinance No. 21, Series of 2016 as presented and order the ordinance to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Elliott.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

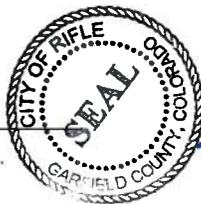
Comments were heard from Interim Chief of Police Sam Stewart.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Comments were heard from Councilor Clifton, Councilor Elliott, Councilor Pruett, Councilor Wood, and Mayor Winkler.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.


Kristy Christensen
City Clerk




Randy Winkler
Mayor