

City of Woodland Park

September 19, 2024 at 6:30 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Following a 5:30 pm work session on priorities and projections for the 2025 Budget, Mayor Case called the regularly scheduled Council Meeting to order.

The following members of Council were in attendance: Mayor Case, Mayor Pro-tem Nakai, Councilmember Baldwin, Councilmember Geer, Councilmember Harvey, Councilmember Jones and Councilmember Smith.

The following members of staff were in attendance: City Manager Vassalotti, Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Leclercq, Budget Manager Burleson, Communications Coordinator Higgenbotham, Planning Director Schminke, Utilities Director Wiley, Operations Manager Felts and Deputy City Clerk Sauer.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CEREMONIES, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

- A. Progress update on reservoir.
(Presenter Utilities Director Wiley)

Utilities Director Wiley shared an update on the proposed reservoir. Wiley shared that there has been a Geo Tech investigation which identified some site access issues and that they have been in discussion with regulatory agencies. Wiley is currently working on preliminary options and cost estimates for access and will be bringing them to the Council in the near future.

4. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of the August 2024 Statement of Expenditures and authorize the Mayor to sign Warrants in payment thereof.

Mayor Case asked the Council to consider all three items together on the Consent Calendar. Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Leclercq shared that she had a correction to the September 5, 2024, Council Minutes. Leclercq shared that she listed a speaker two times in the minutes and that she would be amending that.

The following motion was made.

Motion: to approve the August 2024 Statement of Expenditures, the August 15, 2024 Council Minutes and the amended September 5, 2024 Council Minutes. Nakai/Geer. Motion carried 7-0.

- B. Approval of the August 15, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes. (A)
- C. Approval of the September 5, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes. (A)

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (1)

The following individuals spoke regarding items not on the agenda.

Eric Lockman shared that he has not been pleased with the process of bringing ordinances to the Council agenda. Lockman shared that sometimes Denver's practices are not the best practices for the City of Woodland Park.

Lacy Winter invited the Council to attend a Chili Cook Off that Colorado Christian school will be hosting in October.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(Public Comment may be heard)

8. ORDINANCES ON INITIAL POSTING

(Public comment may be heard)

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(Public comment may be heard)

- A. Approval of Ordinance No. 1483, Series 2024, an Ordinance Amending Title 8 of the Woodland Park Municipal Code by adopting a new chapter 8.16 regarding off-street parking and loading area maintenance. (L)
(Presenter City Manager Vassalotti)

Mayor Case introduced Ordinance No. 1483, Series 2024 and asked the Council for Council discussion.

Councilmember Baldwin shared that she would not be voting for this Ordinance.

Councilmember Geer shared that the original intent for this Ordinance was for large parking lots and that he could not support this Ordinance the way that it is written.

Councilmember Harvey thanked legal for preparing the Ordinance and that she does not support it as written.

Councilmember Jones shared that he was not happy with this Ordinance and would not be supporting it.

Councilmember Smith shared that he is here for the people and the small business owners and would not support this Ordinance.

Mayor Case shared that she was not in support of this Ordinance from the very beginning.

Following Council discussion, Mayor Case opened the Public Comment portion of the Public Hearing and the following individuals spoke.

Carl Anderson shared that he appreciated how the vote is swaying and that he feels this is not the proper role of government.

Debbie Miller shared that the Chamber put out a position paper on this item yesterday and that the Chamber represents both big and small businesses. The Chamber felt that there could be a more palatable solution.

Bill Page and Brian Nance both spoke about some issues they were having with trash in their parking lots at Gold Hill.

Wade Holder shared that this is not the business owners' issue and that the City should take care of their own potholes.

Stephanie Cassada shared that she appreciated where the Council was on this ordinance.

Susan Schaeffer shared that "just because you can doesn't mean you should".

There being no further public comment, Mayor Case closed the Public Hearing and the following motion was made.

Motion: to approve Ordinance No. 1483, Series 2024, an Ordinance Amending Title 8 of the Woodland Park Municipal code by adopting a new chapter 8.16 regarding off-street parking and loading area maintenance. Geer/Nakai. 0-7 with the entire Council voting no.

10. NEW BUSINESS

(Public comment may be heard)

11. REPORTS

(Public comment not necessary)

A. Mayor's Report

Mayor Case shared the upcoming events for the next two weeks. Mayor Case also shared the obituary of Lynn Collup's passing. Collup was instrumental in spearheading the building of the hospital.

B. Council Reports

Councilmember Baldwin shared a list of the ordinances Council has passed since the election and shared that she did not feel the Council was ordinance happy.

Councilmember Geer shared an update on the Avenger Open Space and also shared that Parks and Recreation was currently accepting basketball registrations. Geer also shared that Parks and Recreation was currently looking for basketball officials.

Councilmember Harvey shared that this Friday the Keep Woodland Park Beautiful Committee would be hosting a cemetery clean up.

Councilmember Jones shared that he attended the TAVA House groundbreaking and that it was well attended.

Councilmember Smith shared a flier on grants available to support teachers in rural Colorado.

C. City Attorney's Report

No report.

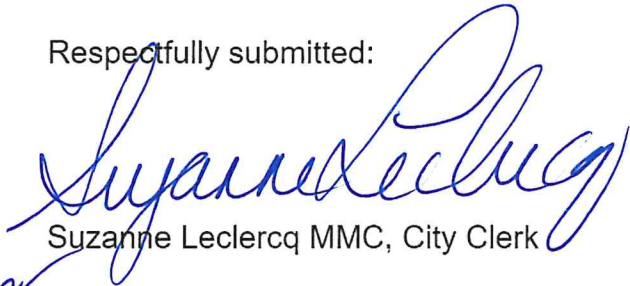
D. City Manager's Report

City Manager Vassalotti shared an update of the DDA.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further City business, Mayor Case adjourned the Council meeting at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

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Suzanne Leclercq MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS 3rd DAY OF October, 2024

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Kellie Case, Mayor