

City of Woodland Park

March 20, 2025 at 6:30 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The time being 6:30 PM, Mayor Case called the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting to order with the following members of Council being in attendance: Mayor Case, Mayor Pro-tem Nakai, Councilmember Geer, Councilmember Jones, Councilmember Harvey and Councilmember Smith.

The following staff members were in attendance: City Manager Vassalotti, Parks and Recreation Director Keating, Utilities Director Wiley, Communications Manager Higginbotham, IT Technician Barnes and Deputy City Clerk Sauer. Planning Director Schminke appeared via zoom.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CEREMONIES, PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

- A. Celebration declaring March 20, 2025 as "Grandpa Terry Day!" (A)
(Presenter Parks and Recreation Director Keating)

The City Council celebrated and declared March 20, 2025, as "Grandpa Terry Day". Terry Patton was celebrated for all of his kindness and generosity to the varsity soccer teams at the High School.

- B. Recognition and thank you of donors to the Avenger Open Space project. (A)
(PRAB Chair Jeff Webb)

PRAB Chair Jeff Webb and Parks and Recreation Director Keating celebrated all the generous donors to the Avenger Open Space project.

- C. Graduation of the Class of 2025 Citizens Academy. (A)
(Presenter Communications Manager Higginbotham)

Communications Manager Higginbotham celebrated the Citizens Academy graduating class of 2025.

- D. Presentation of the January 2025 Sales Tax Update. (A)
Presenter City Manager Vassalotti)

City Manager Vassalotti presented the Sales Tax Update for January 2025.

4. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

None.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of the March 6, 2025, Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting Minutes. (A)

Mayor Case introduced both items on the Consent Calendar and Council decided to consider them together. The following motion was made.

Motion: to approve the March 6, 2025, regularly scheduled Council Meeting Minutes and the February 2025, Statement of Expenditures. Geer/Nakai. Motion carried 6-0.

- B. Approval of the February 2025 Statement of Expenditures and authorize the Mayor to sign warrants in payment thereof. (A)
(Presenter City Manager Vassalotti).

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

Mary Sekowski shared her disapproval of the Cease and Desist letters that were posted on the illegal STR's this past week.

Colten Montgomery shared his sentiments on the Sales Tax fallout with the School District and said that the kids would be successful despite the Council's decision.

Andrew Smith (via zoom) asked how does he remove a Cease and Desist letter from the door of his STR.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(Public Comment may be heard)

None.

8. ORDINANCES ON INITIAL POSTING

(Public comment may be heard)

None.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(Public comment may be heard)

None.

10. NEW BUSINESS

(Public comment may be heard)

- A. Approval of Resolution 931, Series 2025 establishing water and sewer plant investment fees effective April 1, 2025. (A)
(Presenter Utilities Director Wiley)

Utilities Director Wiley shared his staff report with the Council regarding the fact that this tap fee rate increase would go into effect on April 1, 2025. Wiley shared how the numbers were formulated and recommended an increase of 15%. Wiley added that this increase was also supported unanimously by the UAC. . Wiley also reported how the various tiers were determined.

Skip Howes recommended that we do a new evaluation to determine tap fees. Howes shared his disappointment with the timing of the tap fee increase and that he felt there was not enough time between the last week of March and the first of April before announcing these new rates.

- B. Discussion of appointment to vacant council seat (Presenter Aaron Vassalotti)
(A)

Mayor Case asked Attorney Stewart to discuss the options for appointment to the Council vacancy. Councilmember Geer shared that he knew the options and Councilmember Harvey

shared they are very clear in the Charter. Council decided to consider applications for the vacancy with them being due to the Clerk for the April 17, 2025, Council Packet.

11. REPORTS

(Public comment not necessary)

A. Mayor's Report

Mayor Case shared the upcoming events for the next two weeks. Case also shared that the Air Force graduation would be occurring this year on May 29, 2025.

Councilmember Harvey expressed interest in taking the position on the Colorado Policy Committee left open by Teri Baldwin's resignation. Council gave consensus to Harvey for this position.

B. Council Reports

Mayor Pro-tem Nakai shared an update of the UAC and Charter Review Committees.

Councilmember Geer shared an update³ on Parks and Recreation events.

C. City Attorney's Report

Attorney Stewart gave an update on the STR ruling and the Natural Medicine ordinance.

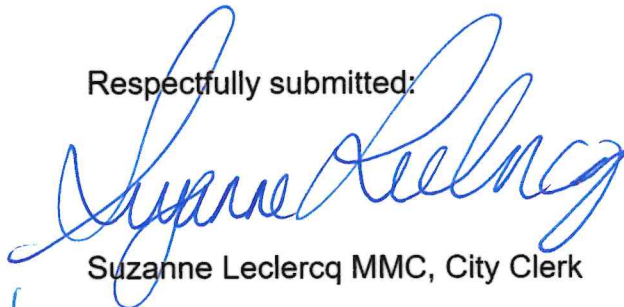
D. City Manager's Report

City Manager Vassalotti thanked Kristen for her hard work on a successful Citizen's Academy. Vassalotti shared that due to the ruling on the STR injunction, the City would begin enfoldng illegal STRs. Vassalotti also shared information on Highway 67 tree removal for the construction of the four lanes from Evergreen Heights Road to Kelleys Road.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further City business, Mayor Case concluded the Council Meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted:



Suzanne Leclercq MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS 3rd DAY OF April, 2025


Kellie Case, Mayor