

February 13, 2018

**CITY OF GUNNISON COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

4:00 P.M.

The City Council Regular Session meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M., by Mayor James Gelwicks with Councilors Mallory Logan, Jim Miles, Robert Drexel, and Leia Morrison present along with City Manager Russ Forrest, City Attorney Kathy Fogo, Finance Director Ben Cowan, Community Development Director Steve Westbay, Public Works Director David Gardner, Parks and Recreation Director Dan Ampietro, Court Clerk Melissa McLeod, Municipal Judge James McDonald, City Clerk Erica Boucher, and Deputy City Clerk Tara Kindall. Executive Director of Gunnison County Library District Drew Brookhart, General Manager of the Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District Frank Kugal and the press were also present. A Council quorum was present.

**Citizen Input:**

Mayor Gelwicks called for any citizen input on any items not already being considered on the agenda. No citizens came forward.

Mayor Gelwicks called for a motion to recess the Regular Session meeting and open a Work Session. Councilor Logan moved and Councilor Morrison seconded to do so.

Roll call vote, yes: Logan, Miles, Gelwicks, Drexel, and Morrison. So carried.

Roll call vote, no: None.

The Work Session was recessed and the Regular Session was reconvened at 4:19 p.m.

Mayor Gelwicks acknowledged that three Councilmembers were in attendance at the annual Gunnison Trails Dinner on Monday, February 11th, and prior public notification was not made. The members did not realize that they would all be in attendance. The three Councilmembers were not together in a group during the event and no Council business was discussed.

**Council Action Items:**

**Approval of the January 23, 2018 Regular Session Minutes.** Councilor Morrison moved to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2018 City Council meeting. Councilor Drexel seconded the motion to approve the minutes with a correction to include Councilmember Leia Morrison in roll call.

Roll call vote, yes: Miles, Gelwicks, Drexel, Morrison, Logan. So carried as corrected.

Roll call vote, no: None.

**Ordinance No. 1, Series 2018, RE: Marijuana Business Licensing.** Councilor Drexel introduced Ordinance No. 1, Series 2018 and asked the City Attorney to read the Ordinance by title only. Councilor Drexel moved and Councilor Morrison seconded a motion to approve on first reading and order publication of Ordinance No. 01, Series 2018: **An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Gunnison, Colorado amending Title 8 Business Regulation, Chapter 8.50 Marijuana Business Licensing Regulations, Sections 8.50.020, 8.50.080, and 8.50.090, of the City of Gunnison Municipal Code.**

Roll call vote, yes: Gelwicks, Drexel, Morrison, Logan, Miles. So carried.

Roll call vote, no: None.

**Discussion regarding proposal from the Gunnison Library District.** Executive Director of the Gunnison County Library District Drew Brookhart approached City Council to explain the Library's intention to expand its services and facilities. The Library is interested in working with the City to leverage cost-effective ways to improve its programming, services, and facilities. At this time the Library District is looking to enhance their services through two primary ways. First, the Library requested Council sponsorship for a GOCO grant. This grant requires local government support. The grant would help construct an outdoor classroom for a variety of programming opportunities. The Library District stated that they have restricted funds available for such grants and would be willing to use some of their resources for this grant. Second, the Library also requested maintenance support for new facilities from the City. City Staff informed Council that the City does not currently have the capacity to support the maintenance of additional facilities. Staff also advised Council to be thoughtful when possibly committing to any new grants in order

for them not to conflict with other grants that could help in them fulfilling their established strategic initiatives. Discussion ensued. Overall, Mr. Brookhart is seeking general support of Council to enhance Library facilities and services for the whole community. The Council supported this overall request and the Mayor directed Staff to follow up and work with the Gunnison County Library District.

**Discussion and review of "near term" actions for the implementation of the City's Strategic Plan.** City Manager Forrest introduced and reviewed a proposed schedule for Council and Staff to follow regarding strategic priorities and goals for the next six months. Discussion ensued. Council agreed to the proposed schedule acknowledging that it is a tight schedule and that Staff may require some flexibility if new initiatives emerge; however, both Council and Staff know that it is important to make visible progress on the Strategic Plan. City Manager Forrest also received direction from Council to move forward with two Request for Proposals (RFP) and one Request for More Information. The first RFP request was for Landscape, Architecture, and Engineering Services for Ohio Avenue and Western State Colorado University. A second RFP was for Land Development Code Diagnosis to Identify Housing Development Barriers. The Request for Information centered on pricing for the Lazy K property. Council gave approval for Staff to move forward with these requests to decide on next steps. More discussion ensued.

**Adjourn Regular Session Meeting and move into Discussion/Work Session.**

With no further business for the Regular Session Mayor Gelwicks adjourned the Regular Session Meeting and Council went into the discussion/work session at 4:48 P.M.



*Jim Gelwicks*  
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Mayor

Attest:

*E. Boucher*  
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City Clerk