

The City Council Regular Session meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M., by Mayor Jonathan Houck with Councilors Drexel, Harriman, Seymour, and Nesbitt present along with City Attorney Landwehr, City Clerk Davidson, Acting City Manager/Community Development Director Westbay, Parks & Recreation Director Ampietro, Police Chief Robinson, several interested citizens and the press. City Manager Coleman was absent. A Council quorum was present.

Consideration of Minutes:**Regular Session Meeting Minutes of July 26, 2011.**

Councilor Nesbitt moved and Councilor Harriman seconded the motion to approve the Council Regular Session Meeting minutes of July 26, 2011, as submitted.

Roll call vote, yes: Drexel, Harriman, Houck, Seymour, Nesbitt. So carried.

Roll call vote, no: None.

Pre-Scheduled Citizens:

Gunnison-Crested Butte Tourism Association Update – Director Jane Chaney. Ms. Chaney introduced Stu Ferguson, Gunnison-Crested Butte Tourism Association (TA) Board Secretary, Carolyn Riggs, Board VP and Frank Kugel, TA Board Member. Ms. Chaney briefly reviewed the make-up of the Board Representatives. The Board discussed the following items: the TA Executive Summary that was done by a third party consultant and the first point listed was the fragmentation among the local industry and government leaders throughout the Valley; there is a need for improving the pool of future TA Board members; more communication is needed between the Board and the Valley constituents; the TA website traffic is up; the TA has been targeting niche-specific web traffic; the lodging tax was up in April and fairly flat in May and June; and call-in inquiries were up this spring. Councilor Drexel asked about the fragmentation issue. Mr. Ferguson stated everyone needs to remain positive, communicate, respect our differences but cherish what we have in common. Ms. Chaney stated we are stronger together and have great diversity throughout the valley. Ms. Chaney reviewed the fall shoulder season “September Splendor” events. This is being marketed Valley-wide with events taking place throughout the month. Ms. Chaney stated there are a large number of mature heritage travelers that travel once the schools go back in session. Councilor Nesbitt asked about the redistricting proposal in regard to the TA. Ms. Chaney stated that is political and they don’t take a position. The taxing districts and chambers won’t change. Tourism valley-wide will not change. Mr. Ferguson passed out cards containing the TA’s mission statement to the City Council. Mayor Houck thanked the TA representatives for their presentation.

Region 10 Update – Director Paul Gray. Mr. Gray addressed Council and updated them on the following: the Area Agency on Aging delivered \$931,731 in services in 2011; Region 10 continues its support of All Points Transit that provides transportation services to seniors; assistance for seniors from the Federal and State budgets is 11.6% less in 2011; 11 loans were closed out of the Region 10 Business Loan Fund but they were unable to close a \$1.02 Million CDBG loan for Extra Aircraft due to the multiple parties involved in the transaction; the SBA Microloan program for small business loans less than \$50,000 was re-established through Region 10; in the 6 county, Region 10 Enterprise Zone, \$3,728,000 in state investment tax credits were approved; the Region 10 Enterprise Center building in Montrose has 100% occupancy and there is a waiting list for emerging businesses and non-profits that would like to rent there; the Gunnison Valley Transportation Planning Region Committee prioritized millions in roadway and enhancement projects in 2010; Region 10 established the Three Rivers Regional Transit Coordinating Council and is looking at updating the 2008 transit study; and Region 10 participated in the Governor’s “Bottom Up” economic development process in three counties. Mr. Gray then informed Council the Region 10 assessments will not be increased for the City of Gunnison next year. Mayor Houck thanked Mr. Gray and called for questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Harriman asked about the Region 10 Transportation Plan. She stated there is a need for transportation from Gunnison to Montrose. Mr. Gray concurred especially when either one of the respective airports is closed due to weather. Mr. Gray stated there are some other identified transit priorities but Gunnison transportation needs, in conjunction with the existing RTA, also need to be considered. Mayor Houck stated these needs are of common interest and should be discussed sooner rather than later.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Action on MOU with Health Care Center for Emergency Use of City Community Center. This item was discussed at last week's Council Work Session meeting. Mayor Houck stated the items discussed last week, the required signatures and some wording changes, had been confirmed or changed. Councilor Nesbitt asked the City Attorney if he was comfortable with the document and City Attorney Landwehr stated that he was since he wrote it.

Councilor Nesbitt moved and Councilor Harriman seconded the motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Gunnison Valley Health Senior Care Center and the City of Gunnison Parks & Recreation Department for Emergency Use of the City Community Center and to authorize the Parks & Recreation Director to sign said MOU and copies be made available to the public.

Roll call vote, yes: Harriman, Houck, Seymour, Nesbitt, Drexel. So carried.

Roll call vote, no: None.

Ordinances and Resolutions: None.

Ordinance No. 4, Series 2011; Re: Youth Tobacco Ordinance; 2nd Reading.

Councilor Nesbitt introduced Ordinance No. 4, Series 2011, and it was read by title only by the City Attorney.

Councilor Nesbitt moved and Councilor Drexel seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 4, Series 2011, **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON AMENDING CHAPTER 5.10 OF THE GUNNISON MUNICIPAL CODE, GENERAL OFFENSES, PROHIBITING THE POSSESSION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS BY PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, AND PROHIBITING THE FURNISHING OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN**, be introduced, read, passed and adopted on second and final reading this 9th day of August, 2011, and that copies be made available to the public.

Roll call vote, yes: Houck, Seymour, Nesbitt, Drexel. Motion carried.

Roll call vote, no: Harriman.

Ordinance No. 6, Series 2011; Re: Zoning Amendment Application ZA-11-12, From the Gunnison Valley Hospital to Rezone Lot 12, The Meadows Phase 1R, from R-3 Multi-Family Residential to C – Commercial; 2nd Reading. Councilor Harriman introduced Ordinance No. 6, Series 2011, and it was read by title only by the City Attorney.

Councilor Harriman moved and Councilor Nesbitt seconded the motion that Ordinance No. 6, Series 2011, **AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION OF LOT 12, THE MEADOWS, PHASE 1-R, CITY OF GUNNISON, COUNTY OF GUNNISON, STATE OF COLORADO, FROM PUD R-3 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, AND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO**, be introduced, read, passed and adopted on second and final reading this 9th day of August, 2011.

Roll call vote, yes: Seymour, Nesbitt, Drexel, Harriman, Houck. So carried.

Roll call vote, no: None.

Ordinance No. 7, Series 2011; Re: Municipal Code Change Regarding Commercial Animal Establishments; 1st Reading. Councilor Harriman introduced Ordinance No. 7, Series 2011, and it was read by title only.

Councilor Harriman moved and Councilor Seymour seconded the motion that Ordinance No. 7, Series 2011, **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, REPEALING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 5.40 OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING COMMERCIAL ANIMAL ESTABLISHMENTS**, be introduced, read, passed and ordered published on first reading this 9th day of August, 2011.

Roll call vote, yes: Nesbitt, Drexel, Harriman, Houck, Seymour. So carried.

Roll call vote, no: None.

Resolution No. 12, Series 2011; Re: Supporting Gunnison Skatepark GOCO Grant Application. Councilor Harriman introduced Resolution No. 12, Series 2011, and it was read by title only by the City Attorney.

Councilor Harriman moved and Councilor Nesbitt seconded the motion that Resolution No 12, Series 2011, **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, SUPPORTING THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR A LOCAL PARKS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT FROM THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST FUND FOR THE GUNNISON SKATEPARK PROJECT**, be introduced, read, passed and adopted this 9th day of August, 2011.

Roll call vote, yes: Drexel, Harriman, Houck, Seymour, Nesbitt. So carried.

Roll call vote, no: None.

Resolution No. 13, Series 2011; Re: Canceling August 23rd Council Regular Session Meeting and Rescheduling it to August 30th. Councilor Nesbitt introduced Resolution No. 13, Series 2011, and it was read by title only by the City Attorney.

Councilor Nesbitt moved and Councilor Harriman seconded the motion that Resolution No. 123, Series 2011, **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, TO CANCEL THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING DATE WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 23, 2011, AND RESCHEDULE IT FOR AUGUST 30, 2011**, be introduced, read, passed and adopted this 9th day of August, 2011.

Roll call vote, yes: Harriman, Houck, Seymour, Nesbitt, Drexel. So carried.

Roll call vote, no: None.

City Attorney: Rod Landwehr. Nothing to report.

City Manager: Ken Coleman was absent.

Acting City Manager: Community Development Director Steve Westbay reported on the following: the Public Works crews are working on Thornton Way; planning continues for the USA Pro Cycling Challenge event; budget work is underway in each department; and he is working on the Van Tuyl Ranch Annexation petition and should have the draft to Council in September.

City Clerk: Gail Davidson. Reported the contract truck will be in town the end of the week to destroy the past-retention records. It is completed in a couple of hours. Also, there will be a Municipal Court session tomorrow afternoon at 2:00 P.M. if any of the City Councilors would like to attend. It is very interesting to attend and see how the process works.

Non-Scheduled Citizens: None.

City Council Discussion, Meeting Reports, Items for Work Session:

Councilor Drexel: reported he attended the State Redistricting meeting last Friday evening. The meeting was well attended and many locals gave their input to the State representatives.

Mayor Pro Tem Harriman: reported she too attended the redistricting meeting last Friday evening. She will be attending the Gunnison Valley Housing Foundation meeting this week.

Mayor Houck: reported he also attended the public hearing on the redistricting proposal. 4 out of the 5 Councilors were in attendance. Under the current proposal, the County would be divided in half with the north end being in District 61 and the south half, including the City, would be in District 58. There was good discussion on the City's needs not being met if we were included in other districts. The Mayor stated he will continue to lobby for keeping the County intact. He attended the Mayors'/Managers' meeting last week with City Manager Coleman. They are not having a topic discussion at each meeting. This past week they discussed tax measures that will be on the upcoming ballot and the need to keep balance for the voters on upcoming issues. He will be attending the CDOP&W meeting in Alamosa on August 18-19th regarding the proposed Gunnison Discovery Center. The RTA will be meeting this Friday in Crested Butte and they will be signing the airline contract.

Councilor Seymour: had nothing to report.

Councilor Nesbitt: reminded the Councilor's that at the CDOP&W meeting in Alamosa, each speaker only gets 2 minutes to present their comments. The relationship with WSC is key in the discussions on the Discovery Center.

Adjournment: Mayor Houck called for any further discussion, and hearing none, adjourned the meeting at 8:16 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk