

The El Dorado City Commission met in a regular session on January 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Room with the following present: Mayor Bill Young, Commissioner Kelly Tetrick, Commissioner Gregg Lewis, Commissioner Leon Leachman, Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson, City Manager David Dillner, City Engineer Scott Rickard and City Clerk Tabitha Sharp. Absent: City Attorney Ashlyn Lindskog

VISITORS

Curt Zieman	128 N Vine	El Dorado, KS
Phil Benedict	Chamber of Commerce	El Dorado, KS
Jason Patty	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Joe Haag	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bill Young called the January 18, 2022 meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Reverend Mark Somerville, Family Worship Center, opened the meeting with an invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Commission led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Bill Young read a proclamation declaring School Choice Week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bill Young opened the floor for public comments.

There were none.

AGENDA AMENDMENT

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to amend the agenda to include a request to authorize a request to purchase two filter consoles at the water treatment plant.

Commissioner Leon Leachman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the City Commission minutes from January 3, 2022.

Approval of Appropriation Ordinance No. 12-21 in the amount of \$4,672,859.43.

Approval of the following Library Board Appointments for a term to expire December 31, 2025: Lanette Cadle and Nick Badwey.

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS**CONSIDERATION OF THE PURCHASE OF A FIRE APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT**

Fire Chief Joe Haag stated that currently the Fire Department operates a 2005 Sutphen (Engine 9) as a first-out apparatus and a 1994 Pierce (Quint1) as a reserve apparatus. The National Fire Protection Association guideline 1901 recommends all fire apparatus 15 years of age or older be removed from frontline service and placed into reserve status.

Chief Haag stated that in December, the City Commission approved a bond allowing for \$900,000 to purchase a fire apparatus. The lowest and best bid for the truck and equipment came in at \$784,699.85.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis asked where Flinthills was at.

Chief Haag stated that it was a local company on Oil Hill Road.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis moved to authorize the purchase of a fire apparatus and equipment from Flinthills Fire & Rescue for the amount of \$784,699.85 and authorize the City Manager to execute any paperwork associated with the purchase.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick seconded the motion.

Mayor Bill Young confirmed that Engine 9 will be in reserve and we will try and sell the Quint.

Chief Haag stated that he was correct. He stated that in order to maintain the ISO status, we are required to have three engines.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

CONSIDERATION OF EVERGY TRANSMISSION LINE EASEMENTS

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that staff are requesting the Commission's approval to execute easement documents with Evergy. He stated that Evergy is proposing to rebuild a portion of its electrical distribution throughout certain areas of El Dorado and they need to acquire easements for the improvements. The easements are on three properties that the City of El Dorado owns: the southeast corner of Finney and Arthur, Graham Park, and in the 1400 block of west 6th. Graham Park has the most significant proposed easement at 50' in width. He stated that encroachment agreements would be in place to allow Graham Park to continue its current use and additional future improvements to the park, but with some restrictions as to placement near the new poles. The new overhead electric lines would follow the same alignments as the existing overhead lines.

Commissioner Leon Leachman asked if there was any downside to this project.

City Engineer Rickard stated that it is something that has to be done, but they are making an investment in the City of El Dorado with these easements. He stated that they will be building a new substation on the south side as well.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson confirmed that they anticipate completing the project by December 31st of this year.

City Engineer Rickard stated that she was correct.

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to authorize the City Manager to execute the Evergy easement documents.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

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Mayor Bill Young confirmed that they will be replacing existing overhead lines with new overhead lines.

City Engineer Rickard stated that he was correct.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

CONSIDERATION OF REZONING 300 SOUTH EAST 40TH STREET (AGRICULTURE RESIDENTIAL TO RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN)

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that the property owner would like to split their current property to allow a family member to build a home on that property. He stated that Agriculture Residential requires a minimum of 40 acres on the property, the rezoning to rural suburban allows a smaller lot size. He stated that this is a case that falls within our three mile jurisdiction outside of the city limits. He stated that the Planning Commission and Butler County Commission have both approved the case.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to approve Case No. 21-07-REZ, requesting a rezoning of five acres at 300 SE 40th to R-S Residential Suburban District and that Ordinance No. G-1367 be approved.

Commissioner Leon Leachman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTER CONSOLE REPLACEMENT

Public Utilities Director Jason Patty stated that this project was planned this year, but a failure yesterday has caused us to move up the project. He stated that the original parts were installed in the 1970s, we anticipated replacing them in 2022. He stated that the bids came in a bit higher than the previous estimate at \$125,550 instead of \$120,000. He stated that one out of the five is down, he stated that with the decreased demand during the winter, we should be okay.

Commissioner Leon Leachman asked if replacing two lessens strain on others.

Public Utilities Director Patty stated that it would. He stated that being down one filter or 20% capacity, the other four are now taking that on. He stated that when we remove the old ones, we will have a few spare parts to help the others until they can be replaced in 2023.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick asked what the lead time on these were.

Public Utilities Director Patty stated that they are unsure. He stated that they would be down for a little while, but he has Pedrotti coming in tomorrow to see if they can do a work-around to get by until the new ones come in.

Commissioner Leachman asked if the company replacing them is the same one that made the existing ones.

Public Utilities Director Patty stated that various parts may come from several companies. He stated that the good thing about the new parts is that we will gain some automation in the system.

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to authorize \$125,550 for the replacement of two filter consoles at the water treatment plant.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

LAND BANK CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF EVERGY TRANSMISSION LINE EASEMENTS – AMERICAN LEGION

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that this is similar to the previous easement question. He stated that the El Dorado Land Bank owns the property known as the American Legion and the Commission, as trustees of the Land Bank, will need to approve the Easement. He stated that it will follow the same alignment as the current lines. He stated that compensation for this easement will go to the American Legion.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis moved to authorize the City Manager to execute the Evergy easement documents.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrack seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

REPORTS

CITY COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD UPDATES

Commissioner Gregg Lewis stated that El Dorado Inc. rescheduled their planning meeting for later in the month.

Commissioner Lewis asked if Evergy could check the pole on High between Finney and Park. He stated that it is tilting over quite a bit.

Mayor Bill Young reminded the Commission that at the next work session, we will be discussing board appointments. He encouraged interested parties to turn in their applications for consideration.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager David Dillner stated that we completed a very robust Police Chief interview process last week. He thanked the members of the community who participated. He stated that he anticipated a decision by the end of the week and after negotiations, the choice will be revealed to the public.

City Manager Dillner stated that the Chamber of Commerce annual meeting is on March 1st and asked the Commission to let us know if they would like to attend.

City Manager Dillner stated that the Parks and Recreation Department is looking for part time help for the summer. He encouraged all interested parties to apply.

City Manager Dillner also encouraged citizens to submit their applications for advisory boards as well.

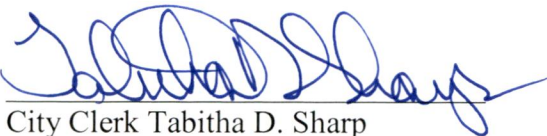
Mayor Bill Young asked if the city had contact information for the El Dorado Walnuts. He also thanked staff and the community for their participation and work on the Police Chief interviews.

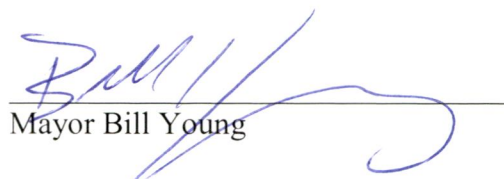
ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.


City Clerk Tabitha D. Sharp


Mayor Bill Young