

EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING

May 1, 2023

The El Dorado City Commission met in a regular session on May 1, 2023 at 5:30 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 Administration Director Tabitha Sharp. Absent: City Attorney Ashlyn Lindskog

VISITORS

Phil Benedict	El Dorado Chamber of Commerce	El Dorado, KS
Mike Holton	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Angie Johnston		
Nick Hoefgen		
Emily Connell	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Craig Yaryan	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Linda Jolly	El Dorado Inc.	El Dorado, KS
Art Anderson	635 Marmaton Rd	El Dorado, KS
Stan Seymour	827 N Washington	El Dorado, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bill Young called the May 1, 2023 meeting to order.

INVOCATION

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Commission led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Phil Benedict and Craig Yaryan presented the Commission information on the downtown sound system.

Mayor Bill Young asked if they were going to request funds from the City.

Mr. Yaryan stated that they were looking at some grants that will hopefully pay for it. He stated that the City will have access for emergency announcements and the Public Works Director is involved in the project to make sure they can be mounted to the Sternberg poles downtown.

Angie Johnston, Nick Hoefgen and Linda Jolly presented the Commission with information on the Moderate Income Housing Grant.

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Commissioner Gregg Lewis asked if there was a cost to submit the application.

Ms. Jolly stated that there is no cost to submit the application, there will be some work involved on the part of staff if the grant is approved. She stated that she will be taking the lead on the project because the El Dorado Inc. Director has a relationship with one of the applicants.

Mayor Bill Young asked if the company was local to Butler County.

Ms. Jolly stated that they were. She stated that they already have several levels of rentals already.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bill Young opened the floor for public comments.

Art Anderson, 635 Marmaton, stated that he doesn't believe that there should be a drag show in El Dorado at this time. He stated that the City should not be putting money towards the event. He asked if the Commission voted on the event.

Mayor Young stated that it was an operational activity and they do not vote on those.

Stan Seymour, 827 N Washington, stated that he didn't believe the event should take place. He felt that they shouldn't use the tourism funds on this event, but on other events instead.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of City Commission meeting minutes from April 17, 2023 and Special City Commission meeting minutes from April 26, 2023.

Approval of the 2023 El Dorado Municipal Band Contract.

Approval of the 1st Quarter Financial Report.

Approval of the 1st Quarter Investment Report.

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

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS

9TH AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

City Manager David Dillner stated that the Commission discussed the 9th Avenue project at the work session last week. He stated that they have spoken about it several times and over that time, the cost of the project has increased significantly. He stated that the most recent estimate is approximately \$1.79 million. He stated that the City would be responsible for approximately 41% of the project cost and the benefit district would be responsible for the remainder.

City Manager Dillner stated that his recommendation is to take the existing project off the books and then the Commission can look at the street policy to decide if there should be changes before moving forward on the project again.

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to proceed with the 9th Avenue Improvement Project, as authorized by Resolution No. 2918, to the standards and specifications of the City of El Dorado.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion failed 0 – 5.

NEW BUSINESS

KANSAS GAS SERVICE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

City Manager David Dillner stated that the Kansas Gas Service Franchise agreement is expiring. He stated that the proposed agreement would renew it and increase the rate from 5 to 6%. He stated that it is estimated to increase revenue about \$50,000 per year.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis moved to approve an Ordinance granting to Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc., and its successors and assigns, a natural gas franchise, providing terms and conditions for the use of public rights-of-way, and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with the terms thereof.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

**DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACT WITH CONCO CONSTRUCTION FOR RESTROOM
AND CONCESSION FACILITIES AT EAST AND CENTRAL PARKS**

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City Manager David Dillner stated that the City received a bid from Conco Construction for the construction of restroom and concession facilities at East and Central Parks. He stated that it is scheduled to begin later this summer and will cost approximately \$599,948. He stated that funding for the project will come from the previously authorized \$2,100,000 ball improvement project.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson asked if they will see a final design before it's built.

City Manager Dillner stated that they would get one.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick asked if there was an Engineer's estimate.

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that it did not. He stated that there was a not-to-exceed amount of \$600,000 with the specs and a request for a unique design resistant to damage.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to accept the bid from Conco Construction in the amount of \$599,948.00 for the construction of concession/restroom facilities at Central Park and East Park and direct the City Manager to sign the contract.

Commissioner Leon Leachman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

BUTLER RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE REQUEST

City Manager David Dillner stated that Butler REC has inquired as to whether the City would consider leasing the southeast corner of the Civic Center property. He stated that they plan to use it as a laydown yard for the storage of materials for an upcoming project.

The Commission agreed to consider a proposed lease agreement.

REPORTS

CITY COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD UPDATES

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick stated that the library is looking for volunteers to help with the summer reading program.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis stated that he has a busy time coming up at the plant and has asked if Commissioner Tetrick can fill in for him on El Dorado Inc. He stated that he thought they should rotate it more so the Commission could all get exposure to what they do.

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Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson stated that they need volunteers to cover coaching and umpire duties in the recreation league. She stated that we also do not have staff to cover mowing duties this summer and encouraged people to apply for the part time positions that are available. She reviewed the other items from the Parks and Recreation board meeting and said she would like to present to the Commission the power point they saw at the board meeting.

Commissioner Wilkinson stated that El Dorado Main Street also met. She stated that they talked about fundraising and the master plan going to the Planning Commission. She stated that they are working on some marketing materials.

Mayor Bill Young stated that the Community graciously provides tax dollars to help the City have nice things. He encouraged people to report things if they notice vandalism happening.

Mayor Young stated that he wanted to congratulate those graduating in May. He stated that there were a lot of things getting ready to happen in the next few months.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager David Dillner invited the community to a town hall meeting on fentanyl on Tuesday the 19th at the Civic Center at 6:30 p.m.

City Manager Dillner invited the community to Tacos y Cerveza at the brewery on Friday, May 5th.

City Manager Dillner stated that the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast is on Thursday at 7 a.m.

City Manager Dillner stated that the sales tax committee will meet again next Monday to continue their conversation.

City Manager Dillner stated that citizens can pick up their landfill coupons at Public Works or City Hall.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis asked when the next meet the City Manager event was going to be.

City Manager Dillner stated that they are working out the details for upcoming events.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to recess into executive session pursuant to the attorney client privilege exception under K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) for the purposes of discussing an ongoing legal matter and to reconvene the meeting at 6:56 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick seconded the motion.

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Motion carried 5 – 0.

Mayor Bill Young called the meeting back to order at 6:56 p.m.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to recess into executive session pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for the purposes of discussing a personnel issue and to reconvene the meeting at 7:08 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3 – 0 (Commissioners Leachman and Lewis remained in the conference room).

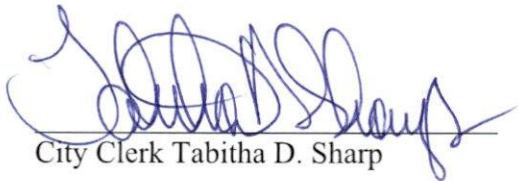
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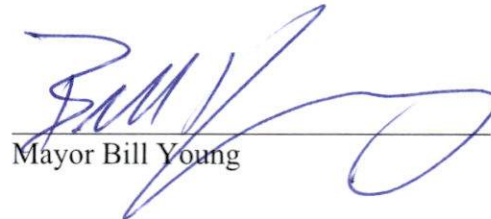
ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.


City Clerk Tabitha D. Sharp


Mayor Bill Young