

**EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**August 7, 2023**

The El Dorado City Commission met in a regular session on August 7, 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**

Mike Holton	220 E 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave	El Dorado, KS
Emily Connell	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Niomi Ndringu	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Phil Benedict	Chamber of Commerce	El Dorado, KS
Mitch Walter	Gilmore Bell PC	El Dorado, KS

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bill Young called the August 7, 2023 meeting to order.

**INVOCATION**

Commissioner Leon Leachman opened the meeting with an invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The City Commission led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE**

Phil Benedict, El Dorado Chamber of Commerce, presented an update on the rentals at the Civic Center.

Police Chief Mike Holton and Patrol Officer Ethan Herrick, El Dorado Police Department, presented the new K9, Rico.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson asked how long they had trained.

Patrol Officer Herrick stated that they participated in ten weeks of training.

Commissioner Wilkinson asked if he had been placed in service yet.

Patrol Officer Herrick stated that he has been working with him, he has worked a drug case and a missing child case.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick asked if he struggles with heat wearing the vest.

Patrol Officer Herrick stated that he emits his heat through his nose and mouth and so they do not get as warm under the vest.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Bill Young opened the floor for public comments.

There were no comments.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of Special City Commission meeting minutes from July 12, 2023.

Approval of a Professional Services Agreement for the City Attorney.

Approval of the purchase of Public Utilities assessment management software.

Approval of Ordinances adopting the Standard Traffic Ordinance and Uniform Public Offense Code.

Approval of Appropriation Ordinance No. 07-23 in the amount of \$1,851,211.43.

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

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Bill Young opened a public hearing for the El Dorado Plaza CID.

Mitch Walter, Gilmore Bell P.C., stated that a group has created a project to renovate the El Dorado shopping Center on Central Avenue. He stated that this will be similar to the project done on West Central a few years ago. He stated that there will be an additional one percent sales tax on items purchased at that center. He stated that the proposed budget is about \$3,325,000 and the sales tax will be used to reimburse the property owners for eligible costs.

Mr. Walter stated that there is also a development agreement between the owner and the City of El Dorado. He stated that this agreement states the requirements for the developer in regards to their improvements.

Mayor Young closed the public hearing.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**EL DORADO PLAZA CID**

Commissioner Gregg Lewis moved to approve an Ordinance of the City of El Dorado establishing the El Dorado Plaza Shopping Center Community Improvement District; authorizing the making of certain project improvements relating thereto; approving the estimated costs of such project improvements; levying a 1% CID sales tax; providing for the method of financing the same; and authorizing the execution of a development agreement and other documents related thereto.

Commissioner Leon Leachman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

**AMENDMENTS TO TAXABLE INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS FOR DAYS INN**

Mayor Bill Young stated that the attorneys for the owners have requested to table this item for a future meeting.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick moved to table the item for a future meeting.

Commissioner Leon Leachman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There were no discussion items.

**REPORTS**

**CITY COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD UPDATES**

Commissioner Leon Leachman stated that the Grizzly Gold Parade is coming up and that we have announced the artists for Gold Fest.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson asked if staff would be repainting the school zone areas before school starts.

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City Manager David Dillner stated that he would ask Brad.

Mayor Bill Young stated that the Walnuts had a successful post season and have sent a championship ring to the City as a thank you for their help this summer.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager David Dillner stated that staff will begin pushing items out about the sales tax election soon, including videos, signs, and table tents in high traffic areas.

City Manager Dillner stated that in relation to the sales tax, the ball field projects have started in earnest. He stated that the turf project at McDonald Stadium has started and the concession and restroom facility construction will begin within the next week or two. He stated that the fencing for McDonald Stadium will be delivered soon.

City Manager Dillner stated that the City had a successful kids week with the help of sponsorships from HF Sinclair, Cou tts Museum of Art, Bradford Memorial Library, Kansas Oil Museum and Experience El Dorado. He stated that National Night Out with the Police Department had over two hundred present despite the over triple digit heat.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis asked how the Police Department fared in the competition for school supplies and non-perishable items.

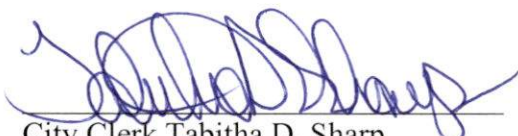
Police Chief Mike Holton stated that El Dorado lost by 4,000 items, but he was proud to be part of the event because they collected 23,000 items for donation.

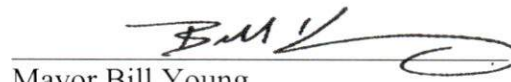
**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

  
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City Clerk Tabitha D. Sharp

  
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Mayor Bill Young