

EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING

January 21, 2025

The El Dorado City Commission met in a regular session on January 21, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Commission Room with the following present: Mayor Bill Young, Commissioner Kelly Tetrick, Commissioner Syndee Scribner, Commissioner Leon Leachman, Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson, and City Manager David Dillner Absent:

VISITORS

Mike Holton	Police Chief	El Dorado, KS
Tabitha Sharp	Assistant City Manager	El Dorado, KS
Scott Rickard	Director of Engineering	El Dorado, KS
Sam Cooper	Management Intern	El Dorado, KS
Emily Connell	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS
Mark Somerville	Family Worship Center	El Dorado, KS
Danika Dixon	Kansas One Shot Turkey Hunt	El Dorado, KS
Sarah Hoefgen	El Dorado Inc	El Dorado, KS
Ryan Liess	El Dorado Inc	El Dorado, KS
Bryan Coons	El Dorado Inc	El Dorado, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bill Young called the January 21, 2025, meeting to order.

INVOCATION

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Commission led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITION

There were no Proclamations.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Mayor Bill Young opened the floor for Personal Appearances.

Danika Dixon, Manager and Director of the Kansas One Shot Turkey Hunt, delivered a recap of the 2024 event and offered an exciting preview of what's in store for 2025.

Sarah Hoefgen, Director of El Dorado Inc, gave the 2024 El Dorado Inc Annual report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bill Young opened the floor for public comments.

Mayor Young closed Public Comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of City Commission Minutes from December 16, 2024.

Approval of Appropriation Ordinance No. 12-24 in the amount of \$2,644,303.67.

Advisory Board Appointments

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to approve the consent agenda.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

There was no Public Hearing.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EL DORADO AMENDING TITLE 4 OF THE CITY OF EL DORADO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

Assistant City Manager Tabitha Sharp stated that the 2021 Legislature amended several acts, including the Liquor Control Act and Cereal Malt Beverage Act, to authorize earlier Sunday sales. Retail liquor stores and cereal malt beverage (CMB) retailers can now begin Sunday sales at 9:00 a.m. in jurisdictions where Sunday sales have been authorized. However, local ordinances must be updated to enable sales before noon. In December, City Staff was approached by a local retail liquor store requesting an amendment to the city's Sunday sales hours to align with changes made by the State of Kansas in 2021.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick moved to approve an Ordinance of the City of El Dorado Amending Title 4 of the City of El Dorado Municipal Code Relating to the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages.

Commissioner Syndee Scribner seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WHOLESALE WATER CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EL DORADO, KANSAS, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AND BUTLER WHOLESALE WATER DISTRICT 8.

City Manager David Dillner stated that the current contract expired December 31, 2023. The district is ready to sign the attached contract after several meetings and attorney recommendations back and forth. The biggest change to the contract is the allocation of water under the contract. The previous contract was written as gallons per year, whereas the new contract is written as gallons per day. This change is significant in my opinion to better align with how we treat drinking water. We treat in gallons per day and having our contracts state a gallons per day threshold will better help us plan for plant expansion triggers in the future. The new allocation also aligns with actual peak usage of the district.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to approve a Resolution Approving a Wholesale Water Contract Between the City of El Dorado, Kansas, a Municipal Corporation, and Butler Wholesale Water District 8.

Commissioner Leon Leachman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no Discussion Items.

REPORTS

CITY COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD UPDATES

There were no updates.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager David Dillner stated that the Constant Creek Sanitary Sewer Project has started.

City Manager Dillner stated that Central and Main is open again and is a four-way stop. He stated that the contractor will resume boring the Water Main toward Denver pending the weather.

City Manager Dillner stated that the Housing Task Force will meet tomorrow and continue their conversation looking at property ownership. He stated they will also discuss strategies on getting residential development started.

City Manager Dillner stated that Garver had submitted a Scope of Services at cost of \$235,000. He stated that the Engineering Department were able to negotiate that down to a cost of \$162,000. He stated that will be finalized soon and brought to the Commission.

City Manager Dillner stated that the 12th Ave Bridge reconstruction will begin in fall of 2025. He stated that the project is anticipated to take a year to complete.

City Manager Dillner stated that we have a bidding for the Water Main Replacement at Central and Haverhill. He stated that it should be on the February 17th meeting for approval.

City Manager Dillner stated that Citizens have been commenting on Facebook about the increase in the water bills. He stated that part of the increase is from the installation of the new meters. He stated that they are reading more accurately. He stated that he encourages folks to call City Hall if they have any questions.

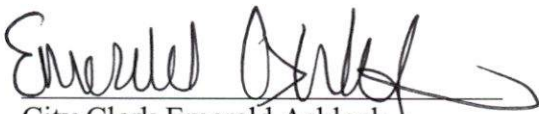
City Manager Dillner stated that beginning February 1st customers will be able to create an account and see their real time usage.

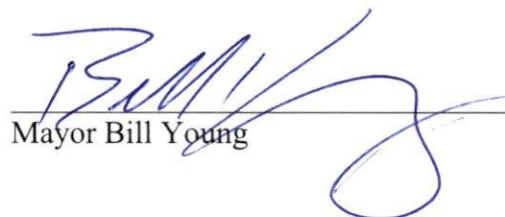
ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Syndee Scribner moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrack seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5– 0.


City Clerk Emerald Ashlock


Mayor Bill Young