

EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING

July 17, 2018

The El Dorado City Commission met in a regular session on July 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Room with the following present: Mayor Vince Haines, Commissioner Matt Guthrie, Commissioner Gregg Lewis, Commissioner Nick Badwey, Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson, City Manager David Dillner, City Engineer Scott Rickard and City Clerk Tabitha Sharp. Absent: City Attorney Ashlyn Lindskog.

VISITORS

Lee White	Butler County Watchdog	El Dorado, KS
Curt Ziemann	128 N Vine	El Dorado, KS
Tony Yaghjian	220 E 1 st	El Dorado, KS
John Giffin	Butler County Times Gazette	El Dorado, KS
Kurt Bookout	220 E 1 st	El Dorado, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Vince Haines called the July 17, 2018 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.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

El Dorado Main Street Director Emily Connell, Harold Harmon, Sam McVay and Mike Ward gave a brief presentation on requests for improvement to the downtown area specifically as they pertain to the dumpster corrals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Vince Haines opened the floor for public comment.

Judith Storandt, Kids Need To Eat, stated that they are at seven locations this summer, six served by the GLOW Bus and one at the Family Worship Center on South Washington. She stated that more information regarding the program is available on their website. She encouraged all children to attend, stating that the program is a summer nutrition program, not a program for kids who can't afford to eat.

CONSENT AGENDA

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Approval of Appropriation Ordinance No. 06-18 in the amount of \$1,421,625.44.

Approval of CMB Lice for La Casita Mexican Food & Bakery LLC at 212 E Central, El Dorado, KS 67042.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Commissioner Nick Badwey seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

BCC FACILITIES LEASE AGREEMENT

City Manager David Dillner stated that the agreements are for the use of the north softball field at East Park and for McDonald Stadium by BCC. He stated that the agreements are not exclusive, others will be able to use the fields if they schedule them.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson asked if BCC had reviewed the agreements.

City Manager Dillner stated that they had reviewed them at a recent meeting.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis asked if staff approved the agreement.

City Manager Dillner stated that staff had spent a lot of time going over these agreements and were satisfied with the proposal. He stated that after the agreement is signed, they will do a walk-through of the fields with BCC.

Commissioner Matt Guthrie asked if the El Dorado Broncos had an agreement.

City Manager Dillner stated that they have not discussed it with them yet.

Commissioner Guthrie stated that he felt like there had been some significant discussion on the topic and had been able to come to a good resolution.

Commissioner Matt Guthrie moved to direct the City Manager to sign the Lease Agreement with BCC regarding the use of McDonald Stadium and the North Field at the East Park Softball Complex.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION – 1305 S EMPORIA

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that the Planning Commission heard a Special Use Permit for an accessory building located at 1305 S Emporia. He stated that the building requires

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an SUP because of the size. He stated that the Planning Commission voted to decline the request unanimously.

Mr. Rickard stated that today, staff received a letter from the property owners proposing a smaller building, and so staff are requesting that the issue be returned to the Planning Commission.

Tim and Sonya Fritsche, 1305 S Emporia, stated they had presented a plan for a large accessory structure to the Planning Commission. He stated that since the denial at the meeting, they have redone the plans and have reduced the size.

Mr. Rickard stated that staff believe that the modifications are sufficient to recommend consideration by the Planning Commission.

Mayor Vince Haines agreed that since this was a different building than what they had seen, they should send it back.

Mrs. Fritsche stated that the only opposition was a person who lived on south Topeka.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis stated that they needed to have a building or they would need to put a parking lot on that property so they can park their recreational vehicles there.

Commissioner Nick Badwey asked if Patrick Light's building had been approved and what was the difference.

Mr. Rickard stated that it has been approved and it is different because it sits back from the front of the property. He stated that the Planning Commission has not seen the new structure proposal and they have only judged the compatibility of the first proposal with the neighborhood.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson asked if they had to send it back to the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Badwey asked if they had the ability to approve the new structure.

Mr. Rickard stated that they could with a super majority.

Commissioner Matt Guthrie stated that he felt with the opposition in the neighborhood on other items, he felt more comfortable sending it back to the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Badwey asked if it would cause them a hardship.

Mr. Fritsche stated that he thought it would only change the timeline by a week.

Mrs. Fritsche stated that they were trying to work with them and didn't see why they needed to go back because their neighbors were not against it.

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Commissioner Wilkinson stated that her opposition was with overriding the Planning Commission without giving them the opportunity to review the new proposal.

Mayor Haines stated that he felt that the issue that the Planning Commission saw was different and stated he was more comfortable sending it back.

Commissioner Badwey stated that he has only voted against their recommendation once in eight years and that vote was not unanimous like this one.

Commissioner Nick Badwey moved to return Case No. 18-03-SUP to the Planning Commission for further review.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION – 105 RACE STREET

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that the Planning Commission heard a request for a Special Use Permit for an eight-foot fence at 105 Race Street. He stated that they recommended approval by a 3 – 2 vote.

Judith Storandt, 105 Race, stated that she and her husband purchased the two homes facing Central behind their home. She stated that their home will now have a back yard with the same depth as the other yards on their street. She stated that they already have an 8 foot fence, and plan to take it down and move it west. The request to the Commission is to keep the current eight foot fence to account for the slope in their yard.

Mrs. Storandt stated that they plan to landscape the area that faces Central Avenue.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis moved to approve Case No. 18-02-SUP, requesting a SUP for an eight-foot fence, and that Ordinance No. G-1280 be approved.

Commissioner Matt Guthrie seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

	Mayor Vince Haines	Yes
Position No. 1	Commissioner Matt Guthrie	Yes
Position No. 2	Commissioner Gregg Lewis	Yes
Position No. 3	Commissioner Nick Badwey	Yes
Position No. 4	Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson	Yes

REPORTS

CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Nick Badwey welcomed the veterans and their families this weekend. He stated that he hoped they would enjoy the weekend and stop by a few places in town as well.

Commissioner Badwey stated that last week Don Demo passed away, he offered condolences to the family.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis stated that he tried to renew his license at Andover today and after waiting awhile found that he did not have the right documents. He stated that he then went to the Eureka office and was able to go right in and out. He stated that if El Dorado residents needed to renew a license, they could go to Eureka relatively easily until the El Dorado office has re-opened.

Commissioner Matt Guthrie asked if there was a police presence at Drums Across Kansas last night.

Police Chief Curt Zieman stated that his officers came in and out a few times, he stated that when a traffic problem was found at Haverhill and Towanda, the officers and the BCC officer went down to assist. He stated that DAK did not request assistance from PD prior to the problem last night.

Commissioner Guthrie asked what the traffic control plan is for BG Stadium.

City Engineer Scott Rickard stated that in different events, more security has come in and Public Works has gone in to manually operate signals to keep traffic flowing.

Commissioner Guthrie stated that he noticed the brick in the hole down on Central and Gordy, he asked how far the brick goes on Main and Central.

Mr. Rickard stated that it goes to Star and along Main.

Commissioner Guthrie asked if that would cause issues down the road.

Mr. Rickard stated that in the 1970s, the city invested in the truck routes to keep that truck traffic off of the central business areas. He stated that the brick has held up pretty well. He stated that we will address it as there are things that have to be repaired. He stated that we have not had good luck with the State of Kansas assisting in repairing those areas. He stated that there have been new programs developed, but we have not been successful in getting those funds.

Commissioner Guthrie commended city staff for their work on Drums Across Kansas.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager David Dillner stated that they do not have exact numbers yet, but approximately 300 more Drums Across Kansas tickets were sold this year.

City Manager Dillner stated that the City, USD 490 and BCC have submitted a bid for the Shrine Bowl in 2020, 2021 or 2022. He stated that we will know the results of that later in the year.

City Manager Dillner stated that trash bags are anticipated to return to City Hall at the end of the month.

Commissioner Matt Guthrie asked how the flag order was coming.

City Manager Dillner stated that it was probably tabled until after Drums Across Kansas and she will pick that back up later this month.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Nick Badwey moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

City Clerk Tabitha D. Sharp

Mayor Vince Haines