

Sierra Vista City Council
Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2021

Mayor Mueller called the July 20, 2021, City Council Special Meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 1011 N. Coronado Drive, Sierra Vista, Arizona.

Roll Call:

Mayor Rick Mueller – present
Mayor Pro Tem Rachel Gray – present
Council Member William Benning – present
Council Member Gregory Johnson - present
Council Member Angelica Landry – present
Council Member Mark Rodriguez- present
Council Member Carolyn Umphrey - present

Others Present:

Chuck Potucek, City Manager
Victoria Yarbrough, Assistant City Manager
Adam Thrasher, Police Chief
Laura Wilson, Parks, Recreation and Library Director
Matt McLachlan, Community Development Director
Nathan J. Williams, City Attorney
Jill Adams, City Clerk
David Felix, Chief Finance Officer
Jennifer Osburn, Budget Officer
Judy Hector, Marketing and Communications Manager

Item 1 Acceptance of the Agenda

Council Member Johnson moved that the agenda for the Special City Council Meeting of July 20, 2021, be approved. Council Member Umphrey seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried, 7/0. Mayor Mueller, Mayor Pro Tem Gray and Council Members Benning, Landry, Johnson, Rodriguez, and Umphrey voting in favor.

Public Hearing

Item 2 Resolution 2021-051, a Multi-License Acquisition of Control Liquor License for a Series 10 for Andrea Lewkowitz on behalf of Western Refining Retail, LLC

Council Member Benning moved that Resolution 2021-051, a Multi-License Acquisition of Control Liquor License for a Series 10 for Andrea Lewkowitz on behalf of Western Refining Retail, LLC, be approved. Council Member Umphrey seconded the motion.

Ms. Adams stated that this is a multi-license acquisition that covers a large area, but the only actual facility in the City of Sierra Vista is the Speedway Gast Station and Convenience Store on the northwest corner of Lenzer and Fry Boulevard. The required background was performed on Ms. Lewkowitz and the Police Department does not object to this application moving forward. The posting of the public hearing was on the facility and has been for more than 20 days as required by law. If approved by Council, the application will be returned to the State to wait for all the other jurisdictions. Eventually the State will get them all together and issue the licenses.

The motion unanimously carried, 7/0. Mayor Mueller, Mayor Pro Tem Gray and Council Members Benning, Landry, Johnson, Rodriguez, and Umphrey voting in favor.

Item 3 Resolution 2021-052, Application for a Bingo License for Gisela Halley on behalf of the Sierra Vista Woman's Club, 2727 Brewer Drive, Sierra Vista, Arizona

Council Member Rodriguez moved that Resolution 2021-052, application for a Bingo License for Gisela Halley on behalf of the Sierra Vista Woman's Club, 2727 Brewer Drive, Sierra Vista, Arizona, be approved. Council Member Benning seconded the motion.

Ms. Adams stated that Arizona Revised Statutes allows for certain groups to run recreational bingo operations in the State of Arizona. The last one approved by Council was two years ago for the Sierra Vista Mobile Home Village Association.

The Statute requires that the local governing body approve the issuance of the bingo license. There is no background check in this type of application process because it is a club that is applying for the license. They will be holding their games at the Sierra Vista Mall, one day a week on Saturdays. At this point in time, they are only planning on going through next spring, but this is something that they can extend at that time if they find that it is good fundraising source for them.

If approved, the application will be sent to the State Department of Revenue for processing and issuance of the license.

The motion unanimously carried, 7/0. Mayor Mueller, Mayor Pro Tem Gray and Council Members Benning, Landry, Johnson, Rodriguez, and Umphrey voting in favor.

New Business

Item 4 Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2021

Council Member Landry moved that the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2021, be approved. Mayor Pro Tem Gray seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried, 7/0. Mayor Mueller, Mayor Pro Tem Gray and Council Members Benning, Landry, Johnson, Rodriguez, and Umphrey voting in favor.

Item 5 Resolution 2021-053, Adoption of the Final Budget for FY 2021-2022

Council Member Umphrey moved to table Resolution 2021-053, adoption of the Final Budget for FY 2021-2022 to Monday, July 26, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. to allow for the property tax levy public hearing, which was properly published and advertised, but not included in today's agenda, to occur. Council Member Benning seconded the motion.

Mayor Mueller explained that when a resolution is tabled, there is no discussion. He added that this was an administrative error on behalf of the staff and himself because he ultimately approves what is on the agenda and he and the management team missed it. The only way to correct this is to have another meeting.

The motion unanimously carried, 7/0. Mayor Mueller, Mayor Pro Tem Gray and Council Members Benning, Landry, Johnson, Rodriguez, and Umphrey voting in favor.

Call to the Public – There was no response.

Comments and Requests of Council

Council Member Johnson had nothing to report.

Council Member Benning read the Fire Department’s mission statement and shared that last weekend he was privy to listening to Deputy Chief Dever speak at the 1200 Club Meeting and stated that Fire Chief Jones’ team is reflective of its leaders. The Fire Department is currently in great hands going forward. Two words that he was left with from that meeting was, “own it” and that is their adopted model. As leaders they own it, make mistakes, but they own it, they get better and move on.

Council Member Rodriguez gave a shout out to the Sierra Vista Police Department. He stated that he witnessed a police officer giving a gas can to an individual. He further stated that he loves seeing things like this in the city, and he is sure that the person who got gas is very appreciative.

Council Member Landry announced the Dragoon 12th annual garlic festival on Saturday, July 24, 2021 and Sunday, July 25, 2021. She noted that it is very hot in Dragoon, and if people are looking for something to do, this festival will provide a good time. In closing, she stated that school is upcoming soon and she wishes the best for all the students, teachers, and if people know a teacher, they should show them extra love because last year was tough for them, and she looks forward to a better year.

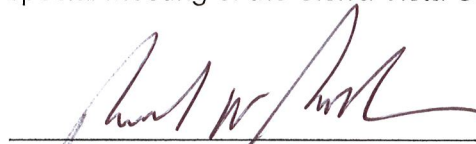
Council Member Umphrey had nothing to report.

Mayor Pro tem Gray had nothing to report.

Mayor Mueller also had nothing to report.

Adjournment


Mayor Mueller adjourned the July 20, 2021, special meeting of the Sierra Vista City Council at 4:38 p.m.




Mayor Frederick W. Mueller

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

ATTEST:



Maria G. Marsh, Deputy Clerk



Jill Adams, City Clerk