

MINUTES
THORNTON CITY COUNCIL
1542ND REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER – By Mayor Jan Kulmann at 7:01 p.m. by way of an electronic meeting through Zoom software.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. MOMENT OF SILENCE
4. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL – Those Present were: Mayor Jan Kulmann; Mayor Pro Tem Jessica Sandgren; and Councilmembers David Acunto, Karen Bigelow, Kathy Henson, Julia Marvin, Adam Matkowsky, Jacque Phillips, and Tony Unrein.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT – Kevin Woods, City Manager; Tami Yellico, City Attorney; Joyce Hunt, Assistant City Manager; Robb Kolstad, Assistant City Manager; Jeff Coder, Deputy City Manager of City Development; Brett Henry, Executive Director of Infrastructure; Doug Romig, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Programs; Terrence Gordon, Police Chief; Gordon Olson, Fire Chief; Kim Newhart, Finance Director; John Cody, Economic Development Director; Jason O'Shea, Deputy City Development Director; Grant Penland, Planning Director; Jessica Romito, Active Adult Center Manager; Jon Whiting, Senior Management Analyst; Jennifer Cahill, Facility Construction Manager; Kim Nicholson, Customer Billing Manager; Greg Wheeler, Chief Building Official; Jaylin Stotler, Community Connections Manager; Jessica Whitney, Acting Deputy City Attorney; Erika Senna, Budget Manager; Chad Howell, Redevelopment Administrator; Emily Hunt, Deputy Director of Infrastructure; Jason Pierce, Infrastructure Engineering Director; Kent Moorman, Regional Transportation Engineer; Matt Court, Assistant City Attorney; Joanna Chavez, Executive Assistant; Mary Kent, CMO Services Administrator; Stephen Kelley, Deputy Fire Chief; Warren Campbell, Planning Manager; Tricia Hinton-Potter, Human Resources Director; Kristen Rosenbaum, City Clerk; and Lori Leppek, Agenda and Licensing Coordinator.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The City Manager requested to removed Item 11B, a public hearing regarding an ordinance denying a rezoning from Community Retail to Planned Development, an Overall Development Plan/Conceptual Site Plan, and Planned Development Standards for approximately three acres of land generally located west of Interstate 25 and south of West 84th Avenue to develop industrial buildings as well as a digital message monument sign (electronic billboard) (Falk Industrial Tract, Amendment No. 1, Lot 4A).

MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR PRO TEM SANDGREN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ACUNTO TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOICE VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.

6. PRESENTATIONS

None

7. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Charlotte Maxson, address not provided, addressed Council regarding a Girl Scout Silver Award project regarding light pollution.

Maureen Nielson, 8065 Sherman Street, did not address Council.

Sandra Wolfe, Ward 1, addressed Council regarding Council behavior and spoke about an Adams County virtual police patrol ride along she participated in.

Roberta Ayala, 3316 E, 115th Drive, addressed Council regarding water rates, the closing of Azul Kitchen and Garlic Knot, and supporting small businesses and the local community.

Joseph Tulloch, address not provided, addressed Council regarding animals defecating on private yards and if the City has any ordinances regarding this matter.

8. COUNCIL COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Marvin honored Danny Scofield and read quotes from his friends and spoke about the Marshall Fire, how to donate to the fire victims, and the King Soopers strikes.

Councilmember Henson wished everyone a Happy New Year, thanked the Fire Department for helping with the fire at the Star Point Condominiums and Council for coordinating donations for the Marshall Fire victims, and spoke about the King Soopers strike and Council behavior.

Councilmembers Phillips thanked Council for their comments and spoke about interactions between Council and citizens and future discussions regarding a Council Code of Conduct.

Councilmember Unrein spoke about the closing of two local restaurants and the need for more sit down restaurants within the City, thanked the Fire Department and Police Department for their efforts in the Marshall Fire, and provided information on the upcoming community meeting with the Police Department.

Councilmember Acunto recognized the Police Department in honor of Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.

Councilmember Bigelow wished everyone a Happy New Year; reported on a meeting she attended; provided information about the gift card donations for the Marshall Fire victims; spoke about shopping and eating local to support small businesses within the City, the closing of Azul Kitchen and Garlic Knot, the need for more sit down restaurants, and Mac's Service Shout Outs; and thanked the Fire Department, Police Department, and staff for their efforts to help with the Marshall Fire.

Mayor Kulmann reported on board and commission vacancies and meetings and events she attended and spoke about the Marshall Fire and how to support those impacted and Council behavior.

9. STAFF REPORTS

A. 2021 Staff Report for the Active Adult Center.

Doug Romig, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Programs, and Jessica Romito, Active Adult Center Manager, presented slides and information and answered questions from Council on this item.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER UNREIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MARVIN TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED.

The City Clerk read into the record the titles of the ordinances contained on the Consent Calendar.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.

THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL DOCUMENTS WERE APPROVED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Approval of Minutes – December 7, 2021 Special and December 14, 2021 Regular City Council meetings.
- B. Monthly Financial Report for November 2021.
- C. An ordinance amending Subsections 2-1(a)(2) and (3) of the Thornton City Code pertaining to posting of legal notices to add Trail Winds Recreation Center as an additional required location to post public notices and approved ordinances. (Second Reading)
- D. An ordinance authorizing the Thornton Development Authority to exercise its power of eminent domain to acquire all or a portion of certain real property located within the South Thornton Urban Renewal Area. (Second Reading)
- E. An ordinance amending Article VI of Chapter 10 of the Thornton City Code, entitled the Neglected and Derelict Buildings Code. (Second Reading)
- F. An ordinance adopting the first amendment to the 2022 Budget amending section one of Ordinance 3600, making appropriations for the City of Thornton, Colorado for the fiscal year 2022 for all funds except that appropriations for certain individual projects shall not lapse at year end but continue until the project is completed or cancelled (Fire Station 7). (Second Reading)
- G. A resolution designating City Hall as the public place to post notices and agendas of regular, special, and other open meetings of the City Council, any board, committee, commission, authority, or local public body of the City, during exigent circumstances or in the event of an emergency that prevents the public from accessing notices online, for the calendar year 2022.

- H. A resolution amending Council Policy 1.1 of Resolution C.D. No. 2021-192 regarding appointment of City Council representatives to various boards and commissions.
- I. A resolution repealing and replacing C.D. No. 2017-112 regarding the City's regional and subregional transportation priorities.
- J. An ordinance amending Subsection 54-303 of the City Code related to compensation for working holidays. (First Reading)
- K. A resolution approving the City's 2022 State Legislative Priorities.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. A public hearing regarding an ordinance repealing and reenacting Chapter 10, Article IV, Sections 10-166, 10-170, and 10-172 adopting by reference the 2019 Edition of the Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators, the 2017 Edition of the Safety Standards for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chair Lifts, and the 2013 Automated People Mover Standards, of the Thornton City Code and setting the Public Hearing date for January 11, 2022.

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:01 p.m.

Greg Wheeler, Chief Building Official, stated he was sworn by previously submitting a written oath to the City Clerk, which was marked as City's Exhibit 1. The notice of hearing published on the City's official website and at three physical locations as required by City Code was previously submitted electronically to the City Clerk to be made part of the record and marked as City's Exhibit 2.

Mr. Wheeler presented slides and information on the proposed ordinance, which were later marked as City's Exhibit 3.

No one signed up to speak or spoke in support of or opposition to the proposed ordinance.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:05 p.m.

MAYOR PRO TEM SANDGREN INTRODUCED, READ BY TITLE, AND MOVED TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE, ON SECOND READING, WHICH REPEALS AND REENACTS CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 10-166, 10-170, AND 10-172 ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2019 EDITION OF THE SAFETY CODE FOR ELEVATORS AND ESCALATORS, THE 2017 EDITION OF THE SAFETY STANDARDS FOR PLATFORM LIFTS AND STAIRWAY CHAIR LIFTS, AND THE 2013 AUTOMATED PEOPLE MOVER STANDARDS, OF THE THORNTON CITY CODE AND SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR JANUARY 11, 2022. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER UNREIN, DISCUSSED, AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.

12. ACTION ITEMS

- A. An ordinance repealing Ordinance 3604 and reenacting an ordinance revising and prescribing water rates and charges for the operation and maintenance of the water system for the City of Thornton, Colorado.

Kim Newhart, Finance Director, presented slides and information and answered questions from Council on this item.

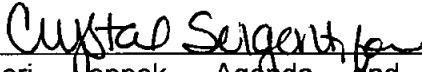
COUNCILMEMBER UNREIN INTRODUCED, READ BY TITLE, AND MOVED TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE, ON FIRST READING, WHICH REPEALS ORDINANCE 3604 AND REENACTS AN ORDINANCE REVISING AND PRESCRIBING WATER RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE WATER SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF THORNTON, COLORADO. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM SANDGREN, DISCUSSED, AND PASSED BY A MAJORITY ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Acunto, Kulmann, Matkowsky, Marvin, Phillips, Sandgren, and Unrein
Nays: Bigelow and Henson

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MATKOWSKY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER UNREIN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:41 P.M. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOICE VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori Leppke, Agenda and Licensing
Coordinator

ATTEST:



Mayor at time of approval

Approved at the January 25, 2022 City Council meeting.