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THORNTON CITY COUNCIL  
1543RD REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 25, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER – By Mayor Jan Kulmann at 7:00 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 Karen Bigelow, Kathy Henson, Julia Marvin, Adam Matkowsky, Jacque Phillips, and Tony Unrein. Councilmember David Acunto arrived late.

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; Todd Rullo, Deputy Infrastructure Director; Kim Nicholson, Customer Billing Manager; Jaylin Stotler, Community Connections Manager; Jessica Whitney, Acting Deputy City Attorney; Erika Senna, Budget Manager; Stephen Kelley, Deputy Fire Chief; Warren Campbell, Planning Manager; Tricia Hinton-Potter, Human Resources Director; Cliff Brown, Deputy Police Chief; Todd Barnes, Communications Director; Joanna Chavez, Executive Assistant; Mary Kent, CMO Services Administrator; William Farr, Police Division Commander; Kristen Rosenbaum, City Clerk; and Crystal Sergent, Agenda and Licensing Coordinator.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

6. PRESENTATIONS

None

7. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Amira Assad-Lucas, no address provided, introduced herself to Council as one of the Adams 12 board members representing the City and provided an update regarding the Adams 12 School District.

Courtney Potter, no address provided, introduced herself to Council as one of the Adams 12 board members representing the City, provided information regarding Adams 12 guidelines, and thanked Council for their condolences regarding the passing of her family's Police K9.

Mark Taylor, no address provided, did not address Council

Karin Baker, no address provided, addressed Council regarding term limits, the court case appeal discussed at the December 14, 2021 Council meeting, and conflicts of interest.

The City Attorney clarified the purpose of the appeal.

8. COUNCIL COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Bigelow asked the City Manager about letters from Great Western Petroleum received by residents in Quail Valley and the Thornton360 video schedule, thanked Tim Romero in Environmental Services for assisting Hunters Glenn residents and Councilmember Matkowsky for his service in the military, and recognized Sergeant Keoni Stutz and Specialist Asiah Stutz as part of Mac's Service Shout Outs.

Councilmember Henson thanked staff for their efforts in keeping the streets clear and safe, announced the Fire Department is closing in on 100,000 COVID-19 vaccinations and thanked them for what they do for the community, provided information regarding the Community Center Community meeting on February 2, asked for Council's support to work with staff regarding developing a chamber of commerce within the City, and stated she liked the suggestion regarding the rotation of wards for Thornton360.

Councilmember Phillips thanked the new Councilmembers for being City focused, addressed public comments, and thanked Tim Romero in Environmental Services for assisting residents.

Councilmember Marvin thanked staff for quickly putting together the gift card drive for the Marshall Fire victims and all those who participated.

Mayor Pro Tem Sandgren reported on meetings she attended and interviewing for the Municipal Judge position; thanked staff for quick response to residents; and spoke about an email received by Council, the City Manager, and City Attorney regarding the residency of a Councilmember.

Councilmember Phillips raised a Point of Order.

The City Attorney clarified Robert's Rules of Order.

There was discussion among the City Council and City Attorney.

Mayor Kulmann reported on board and commission vacancies and meetings she attended and spoke about campaign donations and Council behavior.

Councilmember Acunto joined the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

9. STAFF REPORTS

A. Snow and Ice Control Staff Report.

Todd Rullo, Deputy Infrastructure Director, presented slides and information and answered questions from Council on this item.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

The City Clerk read into the record the title of the ordinance 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 – January 7, 2022 Special and January 11, 2022 Regular City Council meetings.
- B. An ordinance amending Subsection 54-303 of the City Code related to compensation for working holidays. (Second Reading)
- C. A resolution appointing a member to the Businesses of Thornton Advisory Commission.
- D. A resolution designating the at-large members to the Thornton Assistance Funds Committee for 2022.

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. A continuance of the Public Hearing regarding a resolution approving a Conceptual Site Plan to allow for the development of a motor vehicle fueling station, general merchandise store (convenience store), restaurant, and multi-tenant commercial building on approximately five acres of land generally located at the southwest corner of East 128<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Washington Street.

The Public Hearing was re-opened at 8:18 p.m.

Grant Penland, Planning Director, stated he was previously sworn by submitting a written oath to the City Clerk, which was later marked as City's Exhibit 4, presented slides and information on the continuation of the proposed resolution, which were later marked as City's Exhibit 5.

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MATKOWSKY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER UNREIN TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING TO FEBRUARY 22. MOTION 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 on this item.

COUNCILMEMBER UNREIN INTRODUCED, READ BY TITLE, AND MOVED TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE, ON SECOND 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 COUNCILMEMBER ACUNTO, DISCUSSED, AND PASSED BY A MAJORITY ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Acunto, Kulmann, Matkowsky, Marvin, Phillips, Sandgren, and Phillips

Nays: Bigelow and Henson

- B. An ordinance adopting the second 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 (Water capital projects, COVID-19 testing and vaccination program, COVID-19 Rapid Response program, Family Crimes Unit, traffic signals).


Erika Senna, Budget Manager; Cliff Brown, Deputy Police Chief; and Brett Henry, Executive Director of Infrastructure; presented slides and information and answered questions from Council on this item.

COUNCILMEMBER MATKOWSKY INTRODUCED, READ BY TITLE, AND MOVED TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE, ON FIRST READING, WHICH ADOPTS THE SECOND 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 (WATER CAPITAL PROJECTS, COVID-19 TESTING AND VACCINATION PROGRAM, COVID-19 RAPID RESPONSE PROGRAM, FAMILY CRIMES UNIT, TRAFFIC SIGNALS). MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM SANDGREN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.

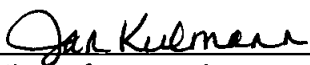
13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER UNREIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ACUNTO TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:57 P.M. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY A VOICE VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Crystal Sergeant, Agenda and Licensing  
Coordinator

ATTEST:

  
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Mayor at time of approval

Approved at the February 8, 2022 City Council meeting.