



ROCKY FORD CITY COUNCIL
February 9, 2017

A **Meet and Greet** was held for the two finalists for the city manager position at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at The IDEA Place, 408 North Main, Rocky Ford, Colorado. The two finalists are Gary Cox and Mark Carmel. Council hosted the event, with Susan Jung and Rachel Patrick as hostesses in charge of refreshments.

Following the **Meet and Greet**, Rocky Ford City Council met for a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. to interview the two finalists in executive session. Those present at roll call were:

Mayor: Jarold Sitton

Councilmembers: Susan Jung, J. R. Thompson, Rachel Patrick, Rich Geist, Leon Ortega

Staff: City Attorney H. Barton Mendenhall, City Clerk Cheryl Grasmick

Councilmember Thompson moved that Council and City Attorney Bart Mendenhall go into executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations and for instructing negotiators concerning applicants for the city manager position, under C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(e) and that the two finalists, Gary Cox and Mark Carmel, be called in at separate times for the interviews. Councilmember Patrick seconded motion. The first finalist to be interviewed will be Mark Carmel. Following the conclusion of Mr. Carmel's interview, Gary Cox will be asked to go in for his interview.

Voting results were:

YES	Jung, Thompson, Patrick, Geist, Ortega, Sitton
NO	None
ABSENT	Pattie

Motion carried 6-0.

Council went into executive session for the interviews at 6:33 p.m. and concluded the session at 8:03 p.m. Mayor Sitton announced that participants in the executive session were Councilmembers Jung, Thompson, Patrick, Geist, Ortega, himself, City Attorney Bart Mendenhall, Mark Carmel and Gary Cox. No one stated any concern for the record when Mayor Sitton asked if any participants believed any improper discussion or action.

There being no further business, it was moved by Councilmember Jung that meeting adjourn. Special meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

*Note: Councilmember Charles Pattie was present for the Meet and Greet, but was unable to stay for the interviews due to recent back surgery.

Jarold Sitton, Mayor

Cheryl Grasmick, City Clerk