



ROCKY FORD CITY COUNCIL

July 10, 2018

Rocky Ford City Council, Interim City Manager Steve Rabe and City Attorney Bart Mendenhall met with retiring Otero Community College president Jim Rizzuto for an informal interview session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, in Council Chambers. Others in attendance were Police Chief Mickey Bethel, Police Captain Angelo Griego, Fire Chief Ray Gonzales, City Clerk Cheryl Grasmick, Finance Director Shannon Wallace, Public Works Director Rick Long, Jolly Rose, Marty Lee and Robert Sanchez, senior staff writer for 5280 Magazine of Denver.

Following the work session, Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Thompson called meeting to order. Those present at roll call were:

Mayor: J. R. Thompson

Councilmembers: Susan Jung, Cuco Ruiz, Charles "Bill" Pattie, Rich Geist, Barbara Hunter

Absent: Rachel Patrick

Staff: Interim City Manager Steve Rabe, City Attorney Bart Mendenhall, City Clerk Cheryl Grasmick

Others present: Jolly Rose, Marty Lee, Robert Sanchez.

Mayor Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Pattie moved to approve the minutes from the regular **June 26, 2018** council meeting as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Jung. Voting results were:

YES Jung, Ruiz, Pattie, Geist, Hunter, Thompson

NO None

ABSENT Patrick

Motion carried 6-0.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION - None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Pattie and seconded by Councilmember Ruiz to approve the agenda as presented. There were no consent items. Voting results were:

YES Jung, Ruiz, Pattie, Geist, Hunter, Thompson

NO None

ABSENT Patrick

Motion carried 6-0.

TABLE FINAL READING FOR PROPOSED ORDINANCE #936

Councilmember Jung moved to table final reading for proposed **Ordinance #936: An Ordinance Regarding the Collection and Removal of Garbage by the City of Rocky Ford** until the next meeting on July 24, 2018. Councilmember Hunter seconded motion. Voting results were:

YES	Jung, Ruiz, Pattie, Geist, Hunter, Thompson
NO	None
ABSENT	Patrick

Motion carried 6-0.

A minimum of ten (10) days between publication of an ordinance approved on first reading and final reading for the ordinance is required. The ordinance was published July 6, 2018.

TABLE FINAL READING FOR PROPOSED ORDINANCE #937

Councilmember Jung moved to table final reading for **Ordinance #937: An Ordinance Approving the Sale of City-owned Property Located at 29625 Industrial Park Road** until the July 24, 2018 meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Pattie. Voting results were:

YES	Jung, Ruiz, Pattie, Geist, Hunter, Thompson
NO	None
ABSENT	Patrick

Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of this ordinance was also tabled due to publication requirements.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #9, SERIES 2018-FUND BALANCE POLICY

The purpose of this resolution is to formally adopt Fund Balance Policy. It was moved by Councilmember Hunter and seconded by Councilmember Geist to approve Resolution #9, Series 2018, establishing Fund Balance Policy as presented. Voting results were:

YES	Jung, Ruiz, Pattie, Geist, Hunter, Thompson
NO	None
ABSENT	Patrick

Motion carried 6-0.

STAFF REPORTS

Interim City Manager Steve Rabe reported on the following items:

- Supplemental Grant Application submitted to DOLA (Department of Local Affairs) requesting supplemental funds to complete phase 1 of the public safety building. City should have an answer within the next month. Hopefully work can begin by late summer.
- New Safety Policy and Safety Team are in place. Team consists of staff and management from each department, led by Safety Coordinator Cy Chavez. Other team members are:
 - Public Works, Streets & Parks – Rick Long
 - Public Works, Trash – Eric Encinias
 - Water/Wastewater – John Irigoyen
 - Police – Angelo Griego
 - Fire – Curtis Johnson

Library – Marisa Aparicio
Parks & Recreation – Stacey Milenski

- City withdrew its agreement to purchase rear-end load trash truck due to short in electrical system, causing fire and significant damage to dome of wiring harnesses in vehicle. Purchase will be on hold until such time as situation resolved.

MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL REPORTS/UPDATES - None

CITIZEN'S REQUEST TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL - None

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AT FUTURE AGENDA

- Resolution of Charges/Fees for City Park Facilities
- 2019 Budget
- Approval of City Manager Employment Agreement
- Final Readings for Ordinances #936 and 937
- Public Hearing for Medical Marijuana Center License – The Station
- Special Use By Review Permit – Viaero Wireless
- Cemetery lawn mower bids

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Jung moved that Councilmembers Jung, Ruiz, Pattie, Geist, Hunter, Mayor Thompson, and Interim City Manager Rabe go into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(f)(1) with regard to a personnel matter, specifically the hiring of a new City Manager, with no anticipated action to follow this executive session. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Hunter. Voting results were:

YES	Jung, Ruiz, Pattie, Geist, Hunter, Thompson
NO	None
ABSENT	Patrick

Motion carried 6-0.

Council went into conference room for executive session at 7:20 p.m. and returned to Council Chambers at 7:45 p.m. There was no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Pattie moved to adjourn. There being no further business, Mayor Thompson adjourned meeting at 7:46 p.m.

J. R. Thompson, Mayor

Cheryl Grasmick, City Clerk