

City of Black Hawk
City Council Minutes
January 22, 2014

City Manager Lewis rang the bell.

1. CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Spellman Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL: Present were: Mayor Spellman, Aldermen Armbright, Bennett, Cales, Johnson, Moates, and Torres.

Staff present: City Attorney Hoffmann, City Manager Lewis, City Clerk Magno, Development and Preservation Administrator Linker, IT Support Staff Muhammad, Assistant to City Manager for Administration Greiner, Fire Chief Taylor, Finance Director Hillis, Public Works Director Isbester, and Police Chief Cole.

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Spellman led the meeting in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. AGENDA CHANGES: City Clerk Magno informed Council agenda item 7-B, Church Street Retaining Wall Easements – 241 Gregory Street and 231 Gregory Street has been moved to Action Items and Council Meeting Schedule has been added under Action Items.

4. CONFLICTS OF
INTEREST:

City Attorney Hoffmann asked Council to declare any Conflicts of Interest on any issue appearing on the agenda this afternoon other than those previous disclosures and conflicts that have already been disclosed and are on file with the City Clerk and Secretary of State. Council declared no conflicts.

City Attorney Hoffmann asked the audience if there were any objections to any member of Council voting on any issue on the agenda this afternoon. The audience had no objections.

5A.INTRODUCTION OF
NEW EMPLOYEES:

Police Chief Cole introduced Communications Officers Sara Berg and Melissa Dedrick. Council welcomed Ms. Berg and Ms. Dedrick.

5B. PUBLIC COMMENTS: No one came forward to address Council.

6. APPROVAL OF
MINUTES for
January 8, 2014

MOTION TO APPROVE

Alderman Johnson **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Armbright to approve the Minutes of the January 8, 2014 meeting as presented.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. CB 2, An Ordinance Approving the Second Amendment to the Establishing Contract to the Gilpin Ambulance Authority

Mayor Spellman read the title.

City Attorney Hoffmann explained the proposed amendment to the Ambulance Authority changes three items. First the title has been changed from executive director to manager. Second the budget process was amended to state the Authority must have a budget to the three entities by October 31st so the entities can budget for the coming year. Third the formula of cost for each of the entities is more accurate now.

City Attorney Hoffmann stated it requires the Authority to not have a large amount in the fund balance. If collections go up where the fund balance goes up then the three entities will not have to pay as much.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Spellman declared a Public Hearing on CB 2, An Ordinance Approving the Second Amendment to the Establishing Contract to the Gilpin Ambulance Authority open and invited anyone wanting to address the Board either “for” or “against” the proposed ordinance to come forward.

No one came forward to speak and Mayor Spellman declared the Public Hearing closed.

MOTION TO APPROVE

Alderman Bennett **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Cales to approve CB 2, An Ordinance Approving the Second Amendment to Establishing Contract to the Gilpin Ambulance Authority.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

8. ACTION ITEMS:

- B. Church Street Retaining Wall Easements – 241 Gregory Street and 231 Gregory Street

Mayor Spellman read the title.

Public Works Director Isbester stated the easements are required to do the Church Street rock wall. Easements are behind the Bonanza building and Golden Canary.

MOTION TO APPROVE

Alderman Armbright **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Johnson to approve the Church Street Retaining Wall Easements – 241 Gregory Street and 231 Gregory Street.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

- C. Gregory Street Realignment Project – Professional Services Agreement

Mayor Spellman read the title.

Public Works Director Isbester explained Staff was finally getting down to hiring a consultant to get the Gregory Street realignment project on the way.

MOTION TO APPROVE

Alderman Cales **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Bennett to approve the Gregory Street Realignment Project – Professional Services Agreement.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

9. CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

City Manager Lewis stated he received an e-mail last week stating Colorado Department of Transportation had the funding to widen the west bound tunnel on I-70. He explained it would start in March and conclude the end of this year.

City Manager Lewis explained the two demolition projects are now ready to move forward. Xcel finished removing the gas lines to both buildings.

10. CITY ATTORNEY:

City Attorney Hoffmann explained Council has had two work sessions on the Sign Code. The final version has been sent to the casinos with a public hearing set for February 12, 2014.

City Attorney Hoffmann requested an Executive Session regarding potential litigation and legal advice regarding various land acquisitions.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

**MOTION TO
ADJOURN**

Alderman Bennett **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Johnson to adjourn into Executive Session 3:15 p.m. to hold a conference with the City's attorney to receive legal advice on specific legal questions pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(b).

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

**MOTION TO
RECONVENE**

Alderman Bennett **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Johnson 4:00 p.m.

MOTION PASSED

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Spellman declared the Regular Meeting of the City Council closed at 4:01 p.m.



Jeanie M. Magno, CMC
City Clerk



David D. Spellman
Mayor