

**CITY OF YUMA  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**HYBRID REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 P.M.**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR SWEHLA AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Benish, McClung, Shay, Smith – Dischner, Swehla. Baucke and Frame absent.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Scott Moore, Karma Wells, Jerry Thompson, Kathryn Sellars.

**CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Clerk/Treasurer Wells stated we can take off Action Item F off the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF AUGUST 1, 2023 AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve the August 1, 2023 Agenda as amended. Second by Smith-Dischner. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF JULY 18, 2023 MINUTES**

Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve the July 18, 2023 Minutes. Second by Smith-Dischner. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

**CITIZENS RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- A. PUBLIC HEARING ON SECOND READING ON ORDINANCE #3, SERIES OF 2023 (EXTENDING THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO KENTEC COMMUNICATIONS, INC) – SCOTT MOORE.** City Manager Scott Moore stated this is the second reading to extend the franchise to Kentec. Public hearing was opened. No comments were made. Public hearing was closed. Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve the second reading on Ordinance #3, Series of 2023. Second by Benish. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- B. FIRST READING ON ORDINANCE #4, SERIES OF 2023 (AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF TITLE 17 AND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF YUMA) – SCOTT MOORE.** City Manager Scott Moore stated there are three pieces of property owned by the city that were never zoned; the golf course, the area west of the golf course formerly leased to Smithfield, and the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The golf course would be zoned A-1, the land leased to Smithfield would be zoned R-2, and the WWTP would be zoned I-1. Council Member McClung moved to approve the first reading on Ordinance #4, Series of 2023 (amending certain provisions of title 17 and amending the official zoning map of the City of Yuma). Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- C. RESOLUTION #12, SERIES OF 2023 (AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH BAUCKE ELECTRIC) – SCOTT MOORE.** City Manager Scott Moore stated this is an agreement with Baucke Electric to help with

On-Call coverage in the Electric Department. John, our Electric Department Supervisor has been on call for a year. They have tried to hire a Journeyman Lineman but have been unsuccessful. This contract to handle some of the calls and outages would benefit the city and save money from having to hire a Journeyman/Lineman. This contract with Baucke Electric and the following action item with Stans Electric would cost the City \$60,000 per year for weekends. They would cover 3 weekends a month at \$1,650 per weekend. Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve Resolution #12, Series of 2023 (Agreement for professional services with Baucke Electric). Second by Benish. Discussion was held. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

- D. RESOLUTION #13, SERIES OF 2023 (AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH STAN'S ELECTRIC) – SCOTT MOORE.** City Manager Scott Moore stated this is the same type of contract as Baucke Electric and all the numbers would be the same. Council Member Smith-Dischner moved to approve Resolution #13, Series of 2023 (Agreement for Professional services with Stan's Electric. Second by Shay. Discussion was held. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- E. RESOLUTION #14, SERIES OF 2023 (NE COLORADO INNOVATION HOUSING STRATEGIES INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT) – SCOTT MOORE.** City Manager Scott Moore stated the Economic Development Corporation wants an agreement with the City for this IHOP. The City would need to contribute \$2,290.06 to help fund the affordable housing study in Yuma County. Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve Resolution #14, Series of 2023. Second by McClung. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- G. REVIEW INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH CANDY GILLILAND – SCOTT MOORE.** City Manager Scott Moore stated Candy Gilliland's contract is under review and she has billed 12 hours so far. That total amount is \$364.00. Hours are anticipated to decrease.
- H. APPROVAL OF BILLS – KARMA WELLS.** City Clerk/Treasurer Wells stated another set of bills was handed out to council. There is nothing to disclose. Council Member Smith-Dischner moved to approve the bills. Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- I. PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 – SCOTT MOORE.** City Manager Scott Moore stated the Recloser that was talked to council about and quoted is not a match, therefore, a request for approval of the purchase will not happen tonight.

The Sanitation Department is out of 300-gallon trash containers. Each trash container is \$399, there is also a \$350 set up fee to have the City's name on the containers and freight. The City is looking to get 20 trash containers not to exceed \$9,000. Council Member Smith-Dischner moved to approve the 300-gallon trash containers not to exceed \$9,000. Second by Benish. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

The Ambulance Department budgeted to purchase laryngoscopes. They are in need of three along with misc. equipment for the laryngoscopes not to exceed \$7,000. The company is Bound Tree, and this quote includes shipping. Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve purchasing the laryngoscopes not to exceed \$7,000. Second by McClung. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

#### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

None.

#### **REPORTS**

### **CITY MANAGER, SCOTT MOORE**

- The alley pans project is started and two have been completed so far. They are following the schedule of what's worst first.
- We are struggling to find help getting the asphalt to Yuma without having to do it ourselves. When we start on the asphalt, this may affect the street sweeping schedule.
- Manager Moore stated one Wastewater employee provided notice that he is leaving. We will be advertising soon.
- Manager Moore stated he will be sending another letter to the Village Park residents explaining how an improvement district would work.

### **CITY CLERK/TREASURER, KARMA WELLS**

Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with the Financial Report.

### **CHIEF OF POLICE, JERRY THOMPSON**

None.

### **CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

Shay

- Mayor Pro Tem Shay attended the Landfill meeting and cardboard is \$45 per ton so they were able to sell some. They have a grant to build more trailers for cardboard. The compacter is ready to sell.
- Mayor Pro Tem Shay attended the Water Authority meeting. Bennett & Buck put up new Amendments. The issue with Pioneer Ditch is now resolved.
- Mayor Pro Tem Shay also attended the NECALG meeting. They have a grant writer available for everyone in the area. Their Audit was completed.
- Mayor Pro Tem attended the Police Committee meeting. They had discussed challenges with code enforcement. They also discussed the SRO program and value of the program. The jail closure and the impact on the city was also discussed. Jerry attended the Commissioners Work Session regarding the jail and it sounds encouraging.

Smith-Dischner

- Council Member Smith-Dischner stated it looks like lots of people attended National Night Out.

McClung

- Council Member McClung met with 12 people in Village Park East regarding the roads and drainage. Council Member McClung told them to form a special district. It was asked why didn't the city just fix the issue and it was explained why the City could not fix it.

Swehla

- Mayor Swehla also attended the Police Committee meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to adjourn the council meeting. Second by Benish. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 7:10 P.M.

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Ron Swehla  
Mayor

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Karma Wells, CMC  
City Clerk/Treasurer