

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MAYOR: Louie A. Trujillo

COUNCILORS: Joseph P. Baca
David G. Romero
Michael L. Montoya
David A. Ulibarri, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT: Bill Taylor, City Manager
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk
Aaron Scott, City Attorney
David Bibb III, Sergeant at Arms

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilor Montoya thanked the community for their patience, support and understanding during this time of daily change in the world and asked God for compassion upon the Council as they work together for the betterment of the community.

Tina Holguin with the AWC introduced "Azlee", a 3 year old Rottie-Shepherd mix, ready to be adopted.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Montoya made a motion to approve the agenda with one amendment, moving Councilor's Reports after Mayor's Recognitions/Proclamations. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Joseph P. Baca	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS/REPORTS

Mayor Trujillo advised that he had no appointments although wanted to thank and acknowledge those who were making masks for the community. He thanked Kathy Jameson from Texas for her contribution of masks.

City Manager Taylor informed that a message would be posted on the City's website recognizing and thanking those who had contributed and Ms. Jameson would be included.

Brief discussion took place regarding getting more information out to the public regarding COVID-19.

MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None at this time.

COUNCILORS' REPORTS

Councilor Montoya advised that he and Councilor Baca were working with constituents regarding abatement, fencing and parking issues in the area of Santana Street. Also being addressed was abandoned City owned property in the areas around Columbia, Prince and Pecos Streets that needed abatement or to be sold. He reported that he was working with staff on clean up times and locations that would take place every first Saturday of the month, starting June 6th. Councilor Montoya requested verbal permission from Mayor and Council to attend the DOT Commission Meeting via online in order to thank them for all the projects they had completed in the community.

Mayor Trujillo agreed with Councilor Montoya in thanking NMDOT for what they have done for the community.

Councilor Baca stated that the constituents from the Commerce/Pecos Streets were feeling ignored and had requested that a clean-up be scheduled for that area, since it had not been addressed.

Mayor Trujillo advised that they should be informed to come out at the time the clean up is scheduled in that area, which would be sometime in August and encouraged the community to participate with the clean-up.

Councilor Romero thanked the new administration for the work accomplished thus far and that the difference had been shown in the community.

Councilor Montoya advised that a meeting had been coordinated with County Commissioner Max Trujillo for the following morning in order to define the boundaries or city limits regarding 8th Street Extension. He stated that would help in better serving the constituents of the City and of the County.

PUBLIC INPUT

City Clerk Fresquez read a Public Input report received via email as follows:

Phyllis Ludi - Complaint regarding Unreasonable Noise as described in Municipal Ordinance Sec. 192-12.

Beth Rings (Present) - Spoke in reference to her concerns regarding City Events being cancelled and the Fort Union Drive-In closure.

Mayor Trujillo stated that the cancellations were based on the Governor's mandates and felt if they would be eased in the near future, hopefully combined events could take place soon. He advised that the Drive-In was close to opening although it never happened due to the Governor's orders.

PRESENTATIONS

Maria Gilvarry, Utilities Director gave a detailed presentation on the Water and Waste Water treatment systems operations contract, the history/scope of work at both facilities and the need for required state mandated Level 4 Operators.

Lengthy discussion and questions took place regarding training employees through the State and In-House level 4 training, Water/Wastewater Programs for High School graduates and accurate job descriptions as well as pay.

Councilor Baca asked if the City would pay the students after completing the program.

Ms. Gilvarry advised it would be the City paying the students, that it was a new program and she would obtain more information about it.

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. asked how many employees were currently working towards their Level 4.

Ms. Gilvarry explained the difficulty of the test and advised that there was only one employee right now working towards it.

Councilor Romero had questions regarding the timeline of the contract and stated that he felt the City had not done enough to move away from this contract and was concerned that \$900,000.00 had already been paid to the contractor and the City could not continue to pay that amount anymore. He added that another concern was that the contractor had direct oversight of City staff, which had brought up Union issues.

Ms. Gilvarry stated that it was a 4 year contract, amending every year if needed and that managing the staff was part of the contract as the Level 4 Operator, which was handing out tasking and requirements although they would not get involved in issues that dealt with employee disciplines or pay.

Further discussion took place regarding hiring of Level 4 Operators in order to do away with hiring contractors.

Mayor Trujillo gave City Manager Taylor the directive to meet with Utilities Director Gilvarry on a regular basis in regard to getting out of this contract soon, as he also was concerned.

City Manager Taylor advised that he and Utilities Director Gilvarry had been meeting to discuss this issue and would continue in order to resolve it.

Councilor Montoya agreed with Mayor Trujillo's recommendation to give the City Manager the directive to look into a more cost effective way on the issue.

Councilor Romero requested a Plan of Action that included a timeline regarding the termination of the contract.

City Manager Taylor advised Councilor Romero they would work on that and informed that Ms. Gilvarry would be offering tours of both facilities and would be providing a schedule.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Taylor reported on current projects taking place as follows:

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| -Fire Prevention Bureau - Reopening Business Inspections | -Great Blocks-Railroad Ave. (Comm. Dev./ MainStreet)-Construction complete, early fall 2020 |
| -Utilities Customer Service New Location - Open | -Code Enforce./Anml. Ctrl. under P.D. |
| -Senior Ctr.- Providing Meals for persons over 60 (Delivery Avail.) | 1 Code Enforce. Under Comm.Dev.(Building issues) |
| -Parks- Irrigation, Mowing & Equipment Inspections | -City Transfer Station-Limited Operating Hrs. (COVID-19), balancing increased demand |
| -Riverwalk Park - Plan & Design complete by November 2020 (\$238,000.00 avail. for Construction Projects) | |

Brief discussion and questions took place regarding Senior Center budget and animal control issues and accountability of pets.

FINANCE REPORT

Finance Director Mary Romero presented the Finance Report for the month ending April 30, 2020 (84% of Year Laspsed) reporting General Fund revenue at 88% (\$10,001,615)and expenditures coming in at 71% (\$9,234,468) and advised that 67% of the revenue came from gross receipts and that they were expecting a large drop in the next few months and spending needed to be controlled. She advised that the City was in good shape for this fiscal year although projections were not clear for the next couple of years.

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. asked how the City would be supporting non-profits as the gross receipts tax is down.

Finance Director Romero advised that the FY2021 Preliminary Budget was usually due on June 1st but because of the impact of COVID-19, Governments were facing

a lot of uncertainty. She advised that the Local Government Division recognized the problems in Municipality projections, so they amended their budget process so that municipalities would be able to roll over their 2020 budget and then the final budget would be due on July 31st and would be brought to Council then for approval.

She reported Enterprise Funds revenue at 80% (\$13,693,331) and expenditures at 67% (13,940,251). Ms. Romero reported that the Recreation Department revenue was at 25% (\$458,652), coming in low due to mandated closure and expenditures at (516,178) 72% were up due to minimum wage increase and benefits for part-time employees.

Finance Director Romero presented the Lodgers Tax Promotion revenue for the month ending April 30, 2020 at 90% (\$338,110) and expenditures at 48% (\$266,268). She added that referring to the question about funding non-profits, the DFA Local Government Division provided a list of recurring revenues and expenses that were recommended to be restricted.

Mayor Trujillo thanked the Finance Director Romero and City Manager Taylor for their financial expertise.

Brief discussion took place regarding possible funding available for State Governments and Municipalities that would help in building reserves.

Finance Director Romero advised that she had provided the check report. She stated that in regard to the rollover of the Interim Budget, DFA was allowing to make any changes at this point and would add the approved Housing Budget and a few errors in last year's budget in the Utilities Department.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Resolution 20-17 Rules of order and Decorum for all City of Las Vegas Council Meetings.

Resolution 20-17 was presented as follows:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS ADOPTING RULES OF ORDER AND DECORUM
FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the City of Las Vegas Council (the "Council") meetings is for elected officials to conduct City business; and

WHEREAS, during a meeting of the Council, there is a need for order and efficiency in the carrying out of public business which may include the public having an opportunity to be heard. This resolution is written notice to all persons of the rules of order and decorum at Council meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO, THAT;

By entering the Council chambers, every person thereby consents to their image, voice, expressions and/or activities being captured by photography, audio recording, video recording or any other means (collectively the "Captured Data"), and furthermore consents to the use of any such Captured Data by the City of Las Vegas for use on the City's website, media broadcasts and other such uses as the City may determine, in its sole discretion, from time to time.

General Rules of Order and Decorum

During any Council meeting, the following rules of order and decorum shall be observed.

1. All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a whole and not to any single member of the Council.
2. Council members and other persons shall address the Mayor when they desire to speak.
3. Members of the public desiring to address Mayor and/or Council during the public input portion of the Council meeting must sign in at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the Council meeting.
4. A person who addresses the Council pursuant to the public input portion of the Council meeting shall strictly limit their content to topic(s) on the agenda for the current Council meeting. A person may not engage in speech or conduct that: (i) may provoke others; (ii) may disturb the peace of the Council meeting; (iii) is repetitive or irrelevant to the current agenda; or (iv) disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of the Council meeting.
5. A person signed up for the public input portion of the Council meeting pursuant to paragraph four (4) above will be allowed three (3) minutes to speak, and will not be allowed to yield any time to any other person.
6. No person in the audience shall speak or express themselves unless formally recognized for such a purpose by the Mayor.
7. No person in the audience at a Council meeting shall engage in conduct that is contrary to the rules herein, including the utterance of loud, threatening or abusive language, whistling, clapping, stamping of feet, or other acts or noises which may disturb, disrupt or otherwise impede the orderly conduct of any Council meeting.

Enforcement of the Decorum Rules

8. Any person violating any of the aforementioned provisions of this resolution shall be in violation of the rules of order and decorum.

9. In the event of any violation of the aforementioned rules of order and decorum, the Mayor, in the Mayor's sole discretion, may: (i) issue a warning to such person who violates these rules, or (ii) may take such other action as the Mayor deems appropriate.

10. If any person(s) persists in violating the rules of order and decorum during any Council meeting, the sergeant at arms may take the appropriate actions to remove such person(s) from the Council meeting. Any person(s) removed from a Council meeting shall be excluded from further attendance and participation in the Council meeting.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of May, 2020.

Mayor Louie A. Trujillo

ATTEST:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY ONLY:

Scott Aaron, City Attorney

2. Approval of Resolution 20-14 Transfer of three (3) vehicles to Animal Welfare Coalition.

Resolution 20-14 was presented as follows:

CITY OF LAS VEGAS
RESOLUTION NUMBER 20-14

A RESOLUTION DONATING THREE (3) VEHICLES BELONGING TO THE CITY LAS VEGAS TO ANIMAL WELFARE COALITION AND DIRECTING THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS POLICE DEPARTMENT ENFORCEMENT SERVICES DIVISION TO TRANSFER SAID PROPERTY TO ANIMAL WELFARE COALITION.

WHEREAS, the City of Las Vegas wishes to transfer said vehicles to Animal Welfare Coalition, and are described as follows:

2003 Chevrolet Silverado truck, VIN 1GCEK19T73E190616 with Animal box (unattached)
2002 Ford F250 truck, VIN 1FTNF21S92EC28388
2004 Chevrolet truck, VIN 1GBHK24U94E166651

WHEREAS, the following described item is property, which is excess and not needed for any essential government function, it is no longer being used by the City of Las Vegas Police Department Enforcement Services Division.

WHEREAS, when this property is transferred to another agency, it shall be understood that the property listed above may or may not meet current standards. The City of Las Vegas shall not be responsible for

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO, that the above described item belonging to the City of Las Vegas Police Department Enforcement Services Division is hereby declared excess property and not needed for any City purpose of function and that said property should be transferred.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ___day of _____, 2020.

CITY OF LAS VEGAS:

Louie A. Trujillo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cassandra Fresquez, City Clerk

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency Only

Scott Aaron, City Attorney

5. Approval of Resolution 20-16 donating two (2) rocks from the Museum to NMHU Geology Department.

Resolution 20-16 was presented as follows:

**CITY OF LAS VEGAS
RESOLUTION 20-16**

**A RESOLUTION DONATING TWO ROCKS TO THE NEW MEXICO HIGHLANDS UNIVERSITY
GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Las Vegas Museum and Rough Rider Collection (the "Museum") exists and operates under the authority of the City of Las Vegas (the "City"); and

WHEREAS, the Museum is in possession of two rocks one containing carnotite and the other containing barite (the "Rocks"), both elements are radioactive minerals, and, with the authorization of the City, desires to transfer ownership and possession of the Rocks to the Geology Department of the New Mexico Highlands University; and

WHEREAS, the Rocks are of a de minimis monetary value, and have become obsolete, unusable, unneeded and unfit for continued use or storage by the Museum or the City; and

WHEREAS, the Rocks are of educational value to the Geology Department of the New Mexico Highlands University; and

WHEREAS, the City and Museum desire to be released, and the University of New Mexico Highlands ("UNMH") agrees to fully and forever release the City and Museum, from any and all liability concerning, associated with, or regarding the Rocks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, that the recitals are hereby incorporated herein; the Rocks are hereby declared obsolete, unusable, unneeded and unfit for any municipal purpose of the City or the Museum; ownership and possession of the Rocks are hereby

transferred to the Geology Department of the New Mexico Highlands University on the condition that the City and Museum are fully and forever released by UNMH from any liability associated with or regarding the Rocks.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of May, 2020.

Mayor Louie A. Trujillo

Attested to:

City Clerk Casandra Fresquez

Approved for legal sufficiency:

City Attorney Scott Aaron

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilor Baca seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
David G. Romero	Yes	Joseph P. Baca	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Conduct a public hearing and approval/disapproval to adopt Ordinance 20-01.

Councilor Romero made a motion to go into a public hearing. Councilor Montoya seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Joseph P. Baca	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

City Attorney Scott Aaron asked anyone who wished to speak, to stand and be sworn in. Maria Perea and Pearl Maes were sworn in.

Planning and Zoning Coordinator, Maria Perea advised that this was an ordinance amending the City of Las Vegas zoning map from R-2 (multi-family residential) to R-3 (mixed residential) for property located at the southeast corner of 2122 North Gonzales Street and 139 Delgado Street, Las Vegas, NM 87701 at the request of the property owner Nora T. Maes.

Pearl Maes asked that Council would consider the zone change for the property.

Councilor Baca asked for clarification of the zone change for the property.

Ms. Perea explained that it was one property as an R2, allowing to have two houses and that Mrs. Maes wanted to transfer the property to her daughter; it did not meet the square footage per area for each property as required. She advised they recommended the change to an R3, which would only require a 5,000 square footage for each property, meeting the 5 foot property line requirement.

Mayor Trujillo opened the floor to any public comments on this issue.

There was no public comment.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve the record proper. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	Joseph P. Baca	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

Councilor Romero asked if there was any objection to the zone change and also asked if it had gone to the Planning & Zoning Commission due to the documents (Exhibit 12, Facts & Findings) had not been signed by the Chairperson.

Ms. Perea advised that there were no objections to the zone change and that it had gone to the Planning & Zoning Board although she would usually take them to be signed at the next P & Z meeting. She added that she would bring the documents already signed, if that was Council's recommendation.

Councilor Romero asked City Attorney Aaron if he would look into whether those documents would need to be signed before coming to Council.

City Attorney Aaron advised that it was his understanding it was included in the Ordinance and that there was a public hearing done by Planning & Zoning. He stated that everything had been prepared for Council's signature but he would be happy to confirm.

Councilor Romero made a motion to close the Public Hearing and go back into Regular Session. Councilor Montoya seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Michael L. Montoya	Yes	Joseph P. Baca	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve to adopt Ordinance 20-01.
Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion.

Ordinance 20-01 was presented as follows:

**CITY OF LAS VEGAS, CITY COUNCIL
ORDINANCE NO. 20-01**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS ZONING MAP FROM R-2 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-3 (MIXED RESIDENTIAL) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF 2122 NORTH GONZALES STREET AND 139 DELGADO STREET, LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO 87701 AT THE REQUEST OF THE PROPERTY OWNER NORA T. MAES.

WHEREAS, Nora T. Maes ("Owner") is the owner of that certain real property located at the southeast corner of 2122 North Gonzales Street and 139 Delgado Street in Las Vegas, New Mexico 87701, described as:

A tract of land located within Block 3 of the Francisco Baca / Sandoval Addition to the Town now the City of Las Vegas, San Miguel County, New Mexico and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the New Mexico State "Alto" Triangulation Station thence N08° 58' 32"W a distance of 5328.07 feet to a surveyor's monument set at the intersection of the Easterly Right-of-Way line of North Gonzales Street and the Southerly Right-of-Way line of Delgado Street. Said monument being the Northwesterly corner and true point of beginning of this tract. Thence along said Southerly Right-of-Way line N56° 26' 26"E a distance of 140.00 feet to a 5/8" rebar being the Northeasterly corner

of this tract. Thence leaving said Southerly Right-of-Way line and following a fence line S31° 28' 47"E a distance of 83.70 feet a 5/8" rebar set at the Southeasterly corner of this tract. Thence along a wire fence and a rock wall S57° 32' 44"W a distance of 139.93 feet to a 5/8" rebar located along said Easterly Right-of-Way line. Said rebar being the Southwesterly corner of this tract. Thence along said Easterly Right-of-Way line N31° 28' 47"W a distance of 81.00 feet to the true point of beginning of this tract. Said tract contains 0.26 acres more or less. All bearings are based on NMCS Grid North East Zone.

WHEREAS, pursuant to City Ordinance 450-12, the City Council of the City of Las Vegas ("City Council") may make changes to the Official Zoning Map; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Las Vegas City Zoning Ordinance, Owner petitioned the City of Las Vegas Planning and Zoning Commission ("Planning and Zoning") for an amendment to the Official Zoning Map of the City of Las Vegas ("City"); and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2020, Planning and Zoning held a public hearing, after providing notice as required by law, for the purpose of receiving testimony and input regarding the amendment of the Property zoning designation in the City's Official Zoning Map from R-2 (Multi-Family Residential) to R-3 (Mixed Residential); and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2020, pursuant to City Ordinance 18-14, Planning and Zoning adopted a motion recommending approval of Owner's aforementioned proposed amendment to modify the zoning of the Property in the City's Official Zoning Map; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the survey of the Property dated April 1977, performed by Tom Klingenhagen from Drissel & Associates Land Surveying, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED, pursuant to City Ordinance 14-8, by the City Council, that the Owner's petition is granted and the Official Zoning Map is amended to reflect that the zoning classification of the Property is changed from R-2 to R-3 effective immediately, and the recitals are incorporated herein by reference.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this ___ day of May, 2020.

Louie A. Trujillo, Mayor

Reviewed and approved as to legal sufficiency only:

Scott Aaron, City Attorney

Attest:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Joseph P. Baca	Yes	Michael L. Montoya	Yes
David G. Romero	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

2. Approval/Disapproval to cancel the following events:

1. Fourth of July Fiestas
2. 4th of July City Firework Celebration
3. Motorcycle Rally

Community Development Director, Bill Hendrickson advised that due to the uncertainty of virus related State and local gathering restrictions, these events are expected to exceed State planned limits. In addition, local PD and FD advised that crowds expected to converge on parking areas around the vicinity of the golf course during the 4th fireworks, would exceed their capabilities to control. Finally, the motorcycle rally requires security assistance from the State Gang Taskforce to provide the needed extra support, and this assistance was not approved. Community Development Director, Bill Hendrickson added that the event had been cancelled by the motorcycle rally committee. He stated that this item was being looked at as more of a delay of these events and they would continue to monitor and plan future events.

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. made a motion to approve to cancel Fourth of July Fiestas, 4th of July City Firework Celebration and the Motorcycle Rally. Councilor Baca seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Joseph P. Baca	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

3. Approval/Disapproval of Resolution 20-21 to appoint William Taylor, City Manager as "Authorized Representative" to execute a grant offering for the Las Vegas Municipal Airport.

Public Works Manager Daniel Gurule advised that as part of FAA submittal criteria for the CARES Act Grant Offer, Grant No. 3-35-0025-019-2020 in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) a resolution of support from our Local Governing Body to appoint William Taylor, City Manager authority to execute grant offer for the City of Las Vegas Municipal Airport accompany grant agreement.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve Resolution 20-21 to appoint William Taylor, City Manager as "Authorized Representative" to execute a grant offering for the Las Vegas Municipal Airport. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion.

Resolution 20-21 was presented as follows:

Resolution No. 20-21

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS APPOINTING
THE CITY MANAGER AS THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE REGARDING
THE CARES ACT GRANT**

WHEREAS, the City of Las Vegas ("City") applied for the Federal Aviation Administration CARES Act Grant No. 3-35-0025-019-2020 ("Grant") by which the City expects to receive a financial grant in the amount of \$20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Grant is provided in accordance with the CARES Act to help offset a decline in revenues arising from diminished airport operations and activities resulting from the Covid-19 public health emergency for the City's Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Grant will be used directly to maintain safe and efficient operations within the City's Municipal Airport upon the Federal Aviation Administration's approval of the Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Grant requires that the City appoint an authorized representative to execute the Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO, that the recitals are incorporated herein by reference and the Governing Body hereby appoints the City Manager, William Taylor, as the authorized representative for purposes of the Grant.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of May, 2020.

Mayor Louie A. Trujillo

ATTEST:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY ONLY:

Scott Aaron, City Attorney

Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
David G. Romero	Yes	Joseph P. Baca	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

4. Discussion/Direction on selection process for the Campaign and Ethics Board.

Councilor Joseph Baca advised that as per the City of Las Vegas Municipal Charter, Article VI Boards, Commissions and Advisory Committees, Section 6.07 Campaign and Ethics Board. A. Membership. The Campaign and Ethics Board shall consist of six (6) members who shall be selected as follows. The Council shall appoint three (3) members; the Mayor shall appoint one (1) member; the Municipal Judge shall appoint (1) member; and the five (5) members so appointed shall appoint a sixth member.

Councilor Baca spoke regarding the harassment and abuse of power, at the hands of one person, that both the community and City employees experienced in the recent past. He stated that it was important for this Governing Body to regain the trust and respect back from them. Councilor Baca felt that creating the Charter mandated Campaign and Ethics Board would send out a positive message of doing the right thing.

Lengthy discussion took place regarding the importance of having a structured plan that consisted of rules and regulations that should be followed by the board before beginning the board selection process.

Councilor Romero made a motion to give direction to the City Attorney to come up with procedures discussed. Councilor Baca seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
David G. Romero	Yes	Joseph P. Baca	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

5. Approval/Disapproval of Resolution 20-22, a resolution to begin the process to transfer the Annual Contributions Contract for the Las Vegas Housing Authority from the City of Las Vegas to the Northern Regional Housing Authority.

City Manager Taylor advised they had been in discussion with HUD in joining every other municipality in the state in transferring the City's Housing Authority to the Northern Regional Housing Authority. He stated that the benefits of transferring would be more resources available for housing opportunities for low income residents and it would reduce the City's costs and obligations.

Housing Finance Specialist/Office Manager, Natasha Martinez advised that the Northern Regional Housing Authority had the expertise to own, operate and manage housing projects in compliance with various State and Federal Affordable Housing Programs, including the laws and regulations related to the Las Vegas Housing Authority, which would benefit the City of Las Vegas residents.

Councilor Romero wanted the community to understand that the City was doing this in order to take care of the Housing residents and with this transfer they would have more resources available to them. He advised that the office would still be open, employees would still be working as usual and the majority of them were in favor of the transfer.

Councilor Baca advised that it would send a message of a "good faith effort" and he supported it.

Councilor Montoya stated there had been a misprint in the Optic related to the transfer and clarified that the Housing was being transferred to another entity and not to another City.

Ms. Martinez clarified that it was a consolidation of the North, which would strengthen many Housing Authorities in working together that would benefit in the long run. She read into the record, the *“Current challenges for the Local Government”* and *“Benefits of Transferring”* report, in its entirety.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve Resolution 20-22, a resolution to begin the process to transfer the Annual Contributions Contract for the Las Vegas Housing Authority from the City of Las Vegas to the Northern Regional Housing Authority. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David G. Romero	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Joseph P. Baca	Yes	Michael L. Montoya	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None at this time.

CITY MANAGER’S APPOINTMENTS

1. Approval/Disapproval to appoint Donna Castro as Human Resource Director.

City Manager William Taylor advised that as per City of Las Vegas Municipal Charter, Article V, Officers, Directors and Employees, Section 5.07 Departments. C. The City Manager shall appoint department directors, subject to approval by the Governing body. He stated that Ms. Castro had 30 years of experience as Human Resource Director/Consultant and worked with her previously, she was very professional and had extensive knowledge in the field and highly recommended her for the position.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve to appoint Donna Castro as Human Resource Director. Councilor Montoya seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Joseph P. Baca	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

2. Approval/disapproval to appoint Stephen Aragon as Parks and Recreation Director.

City Manager William Taylor advised that as per City of Las Vegas Municipal Charter, Article V, Officers, Directors and Employees, Section 5.07 Departments. C. The City Manager shall appoint department directors, subject to approval by the Governing body. He stated that they were creating a Parks & Recreation Department due to the two being interconnected and was recommending Stephen Aragon who had been a Municipal Court Administrator and felt he had the skills, a vision and the passion to see this forward.

Councilor Romero asked Mr. Aragon what his vision would be as Parks & Recreation Director.

Stephen Aragon stated that his vision as Parks and Recreation Director was to commit to accomplishing many programs that were much needed in our community, as they had slowly dwindled throughout the years. He stated that there were amazing resources in our community and it was limitless to what they could do.

Lengthy discussion and questions took place on many different areas that needed addressing throughout the City, regarding Parks & Recreation.

Councilor Montoya made a motion to appoint Stephen Aragon as Parks and Recreation Director. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Joseph P. Baca	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

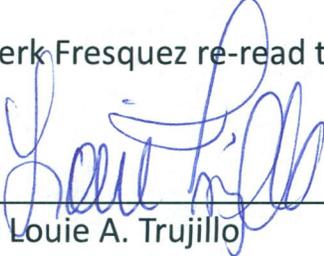
City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

ADJOURN

Councilor Montoya made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Trujillo asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Michael L. Montoya	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Joseph P. Baca	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.



Mayor Louie A. Trujillo

ATTEST:



Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk