

**CITY OF TUCUMCARI
CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 14, 2012**

The Tucumcari City Commission met in a regular meeting on Thursday, June 14, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers. Members present constituting a quorum were: Amiel Curnutt, Dora Salinas-McTigue, Jimmy Sandoval, and Robert Lumpkin.

City Staff members present were Doug Powers, City Manager; Dennis Dysart, Finance Manager; Yvette Fazekas, Planning and Development Director; Vicki Strand, Secretary to the Manager/HR; Jessica Elebario, Senior Citizens Director.

Mr. Powers led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of Changes or Deletions to the Agenda

Commissioner Lumpkin made a motion to accept the agenda and Commissioner Salinas-McTigue seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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| Sandoval | Curnutt | Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Lumpkin thanked everyone for the successful weekend with the car show and the Mother Road Rally. He thanked the City staff for the clean up of the weeds and making Tucumcari look nice for all the visitors. He talked about a memorial project for the fallen Veterans. Kathleen Lopez was the past president of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary of NM and she wants to put three flags, possibly at the cemetery and VFW Park to honor our fallen Veterans. She also suggested engraved bricks to make a patio that citizens can buy in memory of loved ones. Commissioner Lumpkin thanked the City of Logan for allowing him to speak at their Memorial Day celebration.

Commissioner Salinas-McTigue was happy to see the weeds were cut around town and people were in their yards cleaning up. She visited with Chris Gries about the YCC project. She thinks the youth that are working at the depot are doing a wonderful job. She thanked everyone for being at the meeting.

Commissioner Sandoval thanked Charlie Sandoval and Doug Powers for helping him with a problem that has been going on for a few years.

Mayor Curnutt thanked everyone who put on the Mother Road Rally. Thanked staff for cleaning the weeds and making Tucumcari look good. Xcel is working on lighting in the City and the

Police are giving them a list of lights that need to be fixed. They have two weeks to get it done. Mayor Curnutt thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Lumpkin to approve the minutes of the May 31, 2012 regular Commission meeting and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Salinas-McTigue. Roll Call:

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| Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval | Curnutt | Lumpkin |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

Approval of Vouchers

A motion was made by Commissioner Lumpkin and seconded by Commissioner Sandoval to approve the City vouchers for payment. Roll Call:

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| Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval | Curnutt | Lumpkin |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

Items from Citizens

No items from Citizens

Ordinances and Resolutions

- A. **Ordinance 1104: First Reading.** Rezoning 901-923 S. Mountain Rd., Block 4, Lots 1 & 4 in the Nickly Addition from a R3 Multi Family to a C1 General Commercial District. Yvette Fazekas, Planning Director, stated this Ordinance came before the Planning Commission and was approved. A motion was made to approve Ordinance 1104 by Commissioner Lumpkin and seconded by Salinas-McTigue. After motion was approved, Mr. Brake voiced his concerns of rezoning this section from residential to commercial. He stated that he brought his concerns to the Planning Board. He has some information that he would like the commissioners to consider. Mayor Curnutt instructed him to bring all necessary information to City Hall for consideration. Commissioner Lumpkin stated that the original request to have this property zoning changed had been denied due to lack of a business plan. The property owners came up with the business plan that stated they would have a 6' fence around their business. This fence would help keep the semi-trucks from parking on what is now a vacant lot. When the Planning Commission and City Commission review zoning requests they have to take into consideration how this change will affect livestock and commerce. Commissioner Lumpkin stated there has to be a balance between the two. There was discussion of the 12' trees on this block that interfere with the stop sign. Mr. Brake stated he had asked if he could put up a 6' fence to help keep the noise down by his house and he was denied. He wants to know why they can have the trees but he can't have the fence. Commissioner Sandoval stated he has seen the trees and stated they needed to be trimmed. Roll Call:

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| Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval | Curnutt |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

B. **Ordinance 1105: First Reading**, vacating that certain thirty foot (30') street right-of-way between Block 1, of the Westridge Heights Addition to the City of Tucumcari. Yvette Fazekas stated Planning Commission recommended for approval. A motion was made to approve Ordinance 1105 by Commissioner Lumpkin and seconded by Commissioner Salinas-McTigue. Roll Call:

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| Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval | Curnutt |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

C. **Ordinance 1106: First Reading**, 501 W. Campbell Ave, Section 14, Township 11, Range 30, described as 22.60 acres. Yvette Fazekas stated that Xcel Energy is changing it from R3 Multi Family Residential to I2 Heavy Industrial. The Planning Commission recommended for approval. A motion to approve Ordinance 1106 was made by Commissioner Lumpkin and seconded by Commissioner Sandoval. Roll Call:

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| Curnutt | Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

D. **Resolution 2012-19**: Authorizing a new Credit Card Signatory. Doug Powers stated that the City uses a credit card to secure hotel reservations. The former City Clerk was the signatory on that card. He is recommending that the City Manager and the Administrative Assistant be the new signatories for the credit card. A motion was made to approve Resolution 2012-19 by Commissioner Lumpkin and seconded by Commissioner Salinas-McTigue. Roll call:

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| Sandoval | Curnutt | Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

City Managers Report

Department Head Reports: City Manager Doug Powers spoke about the lighting project with Xcel. Thanked all staff for their hard work in the last few weeks to get the City cleaned up. He talked about the CDBG application. CDBG had a reduction in funds but the City did extremely well. They approved 20 applications out of 130 eligible applications. The City was the 5th highest in receipt of grant money. \$480,000 was approved for the Daubs street and water project. \$2.2 million total in grant money has been received by the City in the last two to three months. Congratulations to the Planning Department, Charlie and Alex for all their hard work on the application.

Department of Transportation will be having a Commission meeting next week in Las Vegas. We hope to receive \$37,197.00 for our Coop Application and for the Map application, which is Whitmore St., we are looking to receive \$196,048.

Charlie Sandoval will be representing Doug in Las Vegas at the Dist 4 meeting on June 15, 2012, for the lighting project on 54. It is out 90% review, if it all goes through we will have it out to bid soon and have lighting by the end of summer or by the fall.

Good news on the racetrack. Doug is proud of the way everyone in town has pitched in and helped.

Bids and Contracts

- A. Approval and Signature on Contract 13-624-4000-0086 with the Aging and Long Term Services Department. Jessica Elebario stated this contract is for the Foster Grandparent Program for 2012-2013 budget year, increase of \$5000.00 from last year.
- B. Approval and Signature on Contract 13-624-4000-0087 with the Aging and Long Term Services Department.
- C. Approval and Signature on MOU between Tucumcari Elementary School and City of Tucumcari Foster Grandparent Program.
- D. Approval and Signature on MOU between Eastern Plains Community Action Headstart/Early Headstart and City of Tucumcari Foster Grandparent Program.
- E. Approval and Signature on the Policy Manual for the City of Tucumcari Foster Grandparent Program.
- F. Approval and Signature on the Policy Manual for the City of Tucumcari Senior Companion Program.

Commissioner Lumpkin stated that these contracts have to be signed every year. He made a motion to approve all contracts A-F, seconded by Commissioner Salinas-McTigue. Roll Call:

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| Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval | Curnutt |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

- G. Engineering Agreement with Forsgren Associates, Inc. for Automatic Radio Read Meters. Doug Powers discussed that we received a grant application for \$1.6 million from the Drinking Water Bureau. It has been split into two parts. First part is for the tank project that was brought to the commission last meeting for approval for engineering agreement for \$500,000. The Drinking Water Bureau has combined both parts in order to give us a better funding rate. We get a larger grant amount and a lower interest rate. We received 75% grant with 0% interest on the loan of \$396,000. This agreement with Forsgren is for \$49,000.00 for a project that is over \$1 million. Engineering costs usually run about 12-14% and with the projects combined our engineering costs are less than 5%. Commissioner Lumpkin moved to approve the agreement with Forsgren Associates and seconded by Commissioner Sandoval. Roll Call:

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| Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval | Curnutt |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

Old Business

- A. Acknowledgement of the May 10, 2012 Work Session Notes

B. Acknowledgement of the May 22, 2012, 2012-2013 Budget Work Session Notes

New Business

No new Business to discuss.

Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Lumpkin would like for all Commissioners to send congratulatory letters to the winning candidates in our area or even the State. The letter would be from the City of Tucumcari with signatures from the Commissioners.

Executive Session

Meeting was convened to Closed Session to discuss matters as provided for under New Mexico Statutes 1978 pertaining to open meetings referencing Section 10-15-1 H (8) for the discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body and Section 10-15-1-H(2) limited personnel matters. A motion was made by Commissioner Lumpkin seconded by Commissioner Salinas-McTigue. Roll Call:

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| Curnutt | Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

Meeting was reconvened at 6:56. A motion was mad to reconvene by Commissioner Lumpkin and seconded by Commissioner Salinas-McTigue. Roll Call:

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| Sandoval | Curnutt | Lumpkin | Salinas-McTigue |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Lumpkin and seconded by Commissioner Salinas-McTigue. Time noted: 6:57 p.m. Roll Call:

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| Salinas-McTigue | Sandoval | Curnutt | Lumpkin |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

Amiel Curnutt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia Smith, Interim City Clerk

