

MINUTES  
CITY OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 19, 2016  
101 W. 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
6:00 P.M.

12 Roll Call

Mayor Mike Gamba called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present: Stephen Bershenyi, Matt Steckler, Todd Leahy, Steve Davis, Leo McKinney, and Kathryn Trauger.

Also present were Drew Gorgey, Acting City Manager; Karl Hanlon, City Attorney; Catherine Mythen Fletcher, City Clerk; Jill Peterson, City Planner; Gretchen Ricehill, City Planner; and Charles Kelty, Finance Director.

13 Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gamba led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

14 Citizens Appearing Before Council. (For items NOT on Agenda - comments limited to 3 minutes)

Cheryl Guay, 914 Grand Avenue, wants cyclists and skateboarders banned from the sidewalk unless they dismount.

Debra Colder, 916-A Grand Avenue, Bellini's Fashion, would like signage at Centennial Park so tourists know there are businesses beyond 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

Austin Burton, 61 Springs Ridge Drive, is on the High School Mountain Bike Team and working on his Eagle Scout. He would like more soft trails, single tracks and maintenance of the existing trails.

15 Agenda Changes

Items 22 and 24 will be switched. Administrative updates will be added to the end of the Agenda.

16 Council Comments

Councilor Bershenyi noted that a long time resident, Dick Durrett, passed this week.

17 Consent Agenda:

- A. Receipt of Minutes of the May 5, 2016 Regular Meeting and the May 9, 2016 Special Meeting
- B. Resolution 2016-15, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Authorizing & Supporting the Application for a Federal Lands Access Program Grant for the Lower Valley(LoVa) Trail Section from Glenwood Springs to the Storm King Memorial Trailhead
- C. Award of the following bids:
  - Bid 2016-22, Hauling Recyclable material
  - Bid 2016-004, HVAC Maintenance

***Councilor McKinney moved, seconded by Councilor Trauger to approve the Consent Agenda.***

***The motion passed unanimously.***

## 18 RFTA Mobility Study next steps- Glenwood

Mike Hermes, Roaring Fork Transportation Authority, stated they are working on the Integrated Transportation Planning Study and want to know the City's vision for RFTA.

Ralph Trapani, consultant, stated over the next few years RFTA will be developing an Integrated Transportation Plan to address mobility issues. He explained what will be happening, reviewed the changing traffic trends and presented a spreadsheet of the timeline.

Council discussed:

- Ride Glenwood being a circulator
- Integrating RFTA with Ride Glenwood and the bike share
- How to increase ridership on Ride Glenwood
- Redundancy in RFTA and Ride Glenwood routes
- Paid versus free parking
- Extending BRT to West Glenwood and down valley
- Garfield County needs to be a RFTA member
- Increased RFTA operating hours

## 19 Glenwood Springs Soft Surface Trails Update

Mike Pritchard, Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association, summarized the latest developments in their efforts to provide soft surface trails to the area. The Red Mountain Trail is ready to break ground and requested funding for the Parks and Recreation Department to procure bids from trail contractors.

Council directed Staff to find \$50,000 and bring the results to the next meeting.

## 20 Planning Items:

### A. #2-16 Consideration of a request for a major subdivision and associated variances

Applicant: Don Markley

Owner: MAHC, LLC

Location: 56 Gamba Drive (Lot 13, West Glenwood Estates)

Zone: R/2 Limited Multi-Family District

Mayor Gamba noted he has no ownership interest or involvement with this project.

Jill Peterson stated the Planning Commission recommends approval of a Major Subdivision with 4 associated variances. She explained the history of Lot 13 and this project; described the various tracts that will be created; and reviewed the design variances.

Roger Neal, represents MAHC, LLC, said this project has been reduced to minimize development costs. He reviewed the tracts and overall project design. They agree with the Staff's conditions with a couple modifications regarding the HOA and specific responsibilities of Lots 13A and 13B.

Jill Peterson noted that Staff has no problem with the modifications.

There were no public comments.

***Councilor McKinney moved, seconded by Councilor Trauger, to approve Action Items 1 through 4, the Design Variances, with the Findings and Conditions on pages 2 and 3 of the Staff Report and the modified Conditions presented by the Applicant and reviewed by Staff.***

***The Motion passed unanimously.***

***Councilor McKinney moved, seconded by Councilor Trauger, to uphold the Planning & Zoning Commission's recommendation of approval of the Major Subdivision with the Findings and Conditions on pages 3 through 6 of the Staff Report and as modified by the Applicant.***

***The Motion passed unanimously.***

Councilor McKinney recused himself from the next item due to a conflict.

B. #9-16 Consideration of Extension of Development Plan Filing Deadline to 06-20-2019 per Municipal Code Section 070.070.040(9)  
Owner: Iron Mountain Properties, LLC; Steve Beckley, Owner/ Representative  
Location: Iron Mountain Planned Unit Development, a 27.55 acre tract in Sections 4 & 9 Township 6S, Range 89 W. Garfield County, Colorado in the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado  
Zoning: Planned Unit Development

Gretchen Ricehill reviewed the history of this Planned Unit Development and the deadline extension. The original rezoning approval will remain in effect if the deadline is again extended.

Ron Liston, Land Design Partnership, 918 Cooper Avenue, represents the Owner. Mr. Beckley's letter states the needs for this extension.

Mayor Gamba opened public comments.

Patty Bolton, 504 Princeton Circle, Oasis Creek, said her neighborhood is concerned with the increased traffic.

Karl Hanlon explained the steps of the PUD process, including traffic studies. Postponing the filing of a development plan doesn't change the public process.

Mayor Gamba closed public comments.

***Councilor Steckler moved, seconded by Councilor Davis, to extend the time frame for submitting a Development Application from June 20, 2016 to June 20, 2019, with the Findings and Conditions on page 2 of the Staff Report.***

***The Motion passed by those present.***

Karl Hanlon suggested hearing Item 24 next.

21 Adoption of Mission Statement

Drew Gorgey discussed what Council and Staff thought were key, shared values; presented the Mission Statement; and reiterated this is an important act.

Councilor Bershenyi would like this Statement sent to the community with the electric bills.

***Councilor Steckler moved, seconded by Councilor Davis, to approve the Mission Statement as presented.***

***The Motion passed unanimously.***

22 Financial Report 1st Quarter

Charles Kelty, Finance Director, summarized the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter financial report that was in the Council packet. Tax revenues are up 4.38% from last year.

Council noted this increase is despite a week long canyon closure and the bridge construction.

23 Glenwood Springs – Roaring Fork School District Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Confluence Area Land Exchange

Karl Hanlon updated Council on the progress of this land exchange since it was approved by the voters in April; reviewed the IGA and proposed changes. He suggested continuing this to June 2<sup>nd</sup> or have a joint special meeting with the School District at their May 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Council discussed the soccer field position, and public access from 9<sup>th</sup> Street. Council agreed to a work session on May 23, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

***Councilor Trauger moved, seconded by Councilor McKinney, to continue this item to the next regular or special meeting.***

***The Motion passed unanimously.***

24 IGA between the City of Glenwood Springs and the Roaring Fork Transportation Authority to Acquire Easements and Develop Transportation Infrastructure

Karl Hanlon reviewed the IGA which forms the basis for cooperation to obtain the wye area required to create the 8<sup>th</sup> Street connection. It was unanimously approved by the RFTA Board on May 12<sup>th</sup>. The City will cooperate with RFTA on designation of the west leg and abandonment of the east leg in front of the STB.

Drew Gorgey commented that the UP is the only obstacle to completing the 8<sup>th</sup> Street connection.

***Councilor Bershenyi moved, Councilor Leahy seconded, to ratify the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Glenwood Springs and the Roaring Fork Transportation Authority to acquire easements and develop transportation infrastructure and authorize the Mayor to execute the attendant documents for implementation of the IGA.***

***The Motion passed unanimously.***

Mayor Gamba called for a short break.

Mayor Gamba resumed the meeting with Item 21.

25 Smart Meters Report

Doug Hazzard, Electric Superintendent, stated Holy Cross and Ft. Collins both use the same RF system that Glenwood Springs has chosen. Ft. Collins' independent health study shows there is no reason not to use smart meters. They do not emit more RF than many other devices people use daily, including cell phones. They will offer an 'opt out' feature.

26 Resolution 16-16, A Resolution of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Awarding a Contract for HVAC Maintenance Services to HVAC Technical Services, Inc.

***Councilor Steckler moved, seconded by Councilor Bershenyi, to approve Resolution 16-16, awarding a contract for HVAC maintenance services to HVAC Technical Services, Inc.***

***The Motion passed unanimously.***

## 27 Procurement Code

This item was put under Administration Update.

## 28 Issues Regarding Agenda Publication

Councilor Trauger said the Post Independent will do quarter page ads of the Agenda in all forms of their newspaper for \$240 per Agenda notification.

Catherine Mythen, City Clerk, responded the Agenda is published under Legal Notices the Wednesday before meetings, pursuant to Statute, and costs about \$60. It's also on the website the Monday before meetings, is emailed to everyone signed up to receive Council Agendas and is Tweeted.

The majority of Council didn't feel it was necessary.

Karl Hanlon suggested bringing it back after Staff's evaluation.

## 29 Council Reports on Board, Committee and Commission Meetings

Councilor Davis reported the 6<sup>th</sup> Street meeting was well attended.

Councilor Bershenyi said Historic Preservation had a successful meeting with Amtrak and the train depot people. A forensic mining archeologist will survey the South Canyon Coal Camp. The Ruedi Water and Power Authority Board elected him President.

Mayor Gamba reported the RFTA Board continued the Access Control Plan until July.

Drew Gorgey said there are 60 items for upcoming Agendas. He explained the creation of a Procurement Department. Information Systems becomes a secure area. At some point there should be a Facilities Manager for all the buildings. City Council is the authority to create City Departments so it will be back June 2<sup>nd</sup> with job descriptions. A Public Information Officer is needed in IS.

Council wasn't sure this was the correct time to make these changes and create new Departments.

Drew continued that a Spring Cleanup Ordinance will be on the next meeting.

## 30 Correspondence: Incoming/Outgoing

## 31 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.