

A regular meeting of the Montrose City Council was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Elks Civic Building. Said meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Law.

PRESENT: Dave Frank, Barbara Bynum, Doug Glaspell, J. David Reed, Ed Ulibarri, Ciana Beller, Bill Bell, Ann Morgenthauer, Ben Morris, Chris Dowsey, Lisa DelPiccolo, Greg Story, Scott Murphy, Shani Wittenberg, Jace Hochwalt, William Reis, Jim Scheid, Blaine Hall, Matt Smith

GUESTS: Laird Landon, Ronda Steenburgen

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dave Frank called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

No changes were made to the agenda.

NATIONAL ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH & NATIONAL CAREGIVER MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Dave Frank and the Montrose City Council proclaimed November 2022 as National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month & National Caregiver Month in the City of Montrose. The proclamation was presented to Laird Landon, co-founder of the Caregiver Support Foundation.

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY PROCLAMATION

Mayor Dave Frank and the Montrose City Council proclaimed Saturday, November 26, 2022, as Small Business Saturday in the City of Montrose.

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

City Council considered the minutes of the October 31, 2022, special City Council meeting and the November 1, 2022, regular City Council meeting.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by J. David Reed, to approve the minutes of the October 31, 2022, special City Council meeting and the November 1, 2022, regular City Council meeting as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

2023 BUDGET ADOPTION

Finance Director Shani Wittenberg reported that Ordinance 2599 is amended to correctly display two rows that were inadvertently hidden in the spreadsheet on the original ordinance. The corrections are highlighted on the Amended Ordinance. Ms. Wittenberg stated that the overall budget total of \$94,806,782.00 remains unchanged.

Amended Ordinance 2599 – Second Reading: City Council considered Amended Ordinance 2599 on second reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, providing and appropriating funds for defraying the expenses and liabilities of the City of Montrose, Colorado, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023.

Resolution 2022-16: City Council considered Resolution 2022-16, adopting the 2023 Municipal Budget.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by J. David Reed, seconded by Doug Glaspell, to adopt Amended Ordinance 2599 on second reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

A motion was made by J. David Reed, seconded by Doug Glaspell to adopt Resolution 2022-16 as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2600 – SECOND READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2600 on second reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, amending the zoning designation of the Eagle Ranch P.D. Filing 1, Amendment 3, Outlot 1 from "R-2" Low Density District to "R-3A" Medium High Density District.

Planner II William Reis reviewed the location of the 8.42 acres on the northeast corner of Oak Grove Road and 6700 Road. Mr. Reis reported that the existing lot contains two separate zoning designations which is not best practice, and Ordinance 2600 reconciles the issue. Mr. Reis reviewed rezone criteria and R-3A zoning designation, as well as Comprehensive Plan and Municipal Code provisions.

Mr. Reis recommended approval stating that the request meets rezone criteria, is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan, is compatible with existing uses in the surrounding area, and corrects the split zoning on the lot. Mr. Reis stated that no written comments were received from the public.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by J. David Reed, to adopt Ordinance 2600 on second reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2601 – FIRST READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2601 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, amending the zoning district designation of 820 6650 Road from "R-2," Low Density District to "R-5," Low Density/Manufactured Housing District. A hearing was held.

City Councilor Doug Glaspell recused himself from this agenda item because he lives next to the subject property. Mr. Glaspell left the City Council Chambers at 6:18 p.m.

Planning Manager Jace Hochwalt reviewed the location of the 1.1 acres and stated that the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the rezone request on October 26. Mr. Hochwalt reported that the property is vacant and currently zoned R-2. The property owner is the applicant and is requesting the rezone for construction of a modular home on the site.

Mr. Hochwalt reviewed rezone criteria, the R-5 zoning designation, and Comprehensive Plan goals and objectives. Mr. Hochwalt recommended approval stating that the request meets rezone criteria, meets the intent of the R-5 district, is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan, and is compatible with existing uses in the surrounding area.

Mayor Dave Frank opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Frank closed the hearing.

A motion was made by J. David Reed, seconded by Ed Ulibarri, to pass Ordinance 2601 on first reading as presented. All present voted yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Glaspell rejoined the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

HILLTOP NORTH ADDITION ANNEXATION

A hearing was held on the annexation of the Hilltop North Addition.

Planner II William Reis reviewed the annexation schedule and the location of the 10.01 acres adjacent to 6600 Road, north of the intersection with Locust Road. Mr. Reis stated that the property is within the City's Urban Growth Area, within the City of Montrose sewer service area, and within the Tri-County Water service area.

Mr. Reis reviewed the zoning of the surrounding area and stated that the applicant requested a zoning designation of R-4. The Planning commission recommended approval of the request with a 4-2 vote.

Mr. Reis stated that the property meets contiguity requirements for annexation, an annexation agreement was signed by the applicant, and an annexation impact report was filed with Montrose County.

Mr. Reis recommended approval of the annexation and R-4 zoning designation stating that the proposal is consistent with public health, safety, and welfare, City annexation policies, and the Comprehensive Plan.

Resolution 2022-17: City Council considered Resolution 2022-17, Findings of Fact for the Hilltop North Addition.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by J. David Reed, to adopt Resolution 2022-17 as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Ordinance 2602 – First Reading: City Council considered Ordinance 2602 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado for the annexation of the Hilltop North Addition.

Mayor Dave Frank opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Frank closed the hearing.

A motion was made by Barbara Bynum, seconded by Doug Glaspell, to pass Ordinance 2602 on first reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2603 – FIRST READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2603 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, providing for the zoning of the Hilltop North Addition as an "R-4", High Density District. A hearing was held.

Mayor Dave Frank opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Frank closed the hearing.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by J. David Reed, to pass Ordinance 2603 on first reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2604 – FIRST READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2604 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, designating the Montrose Electric Light & Power Co., 44 S Grand Ave, Montrose, Colorado, as a City of Montrose Historic Property Pursuant to § 4-15 of the Official Code of the City of Montrose. A hearing was held.

Planner II William Reis reported that two historic property designation hearings are on the agenda for this meeting, and both buildings are on the same taxable parcel. Mr. Reis stated that the buildings were separate until connected in 1974 and each has a unique history.

Mr. Reis stated that the Montrose Electric Light & Power Co. meets the eligibility criteria for age, for association with events that made a significant contribution to history, and for distinctive characteristics of a type, period, method of construction, or artisan.

Mr. Reis reviewed the history and characteristics of the building and recommended approval of the historic property designation.

Mayor Dave Frank opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Frank closed the hearing.

A motion was made by J. David Reed, seconded by Ed Ulibarri, to pass Ordinance 2604 on first reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2605 – FIRST READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2605 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, designating the Montrose Radium Ore Sampler, 112 W Main St, Montrose, Colorado, as a City of Montrose Historic Property Pursuant to § 4-15 of the Official Code of the City of Montrose. A hearing was held.

Planner II William Reis reported that this building is located at the historic address of 112 W. Main Street, which is not the current address. Mr. Reis stated that the building meets age criteria, is associated with the industrial history of Montrose, and was reportedly the only radium ore sampler in the world at the time. Mr. Reis said it is alleged that some of the ore processed at the sampler was used by Marie Curie.

Mr. Reis reviewed the history and characteristics of the building, and recommended approval of the historic property designation.

Mayor Dave Frank opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Frank closed the hearing.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by Barbara Bynum, to pass Ordinance 2605 on first reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORTS

Sales, Use, and Excise Tax Report: Finance Director Shani Wittenberg provided a sales, use, and excise tax report for September 2022. Ms. Wittenberg reported that total sales and use tax collections were up 11.8 percent as compared to September of 2021 with a positive budget variance of 29.8 percent. Year-to-date collections were up 11.7 percent with a positive budget variance of 30.1 percent.

Third Quarter Budget Review: Finance Director Shani Wittenberg reported that a complete report is included in the meeting packet. Ms. Wittenberg stated that with three quarters of the year completed, revenues have been collected as anticipated and expenditures are also on track. Ms. Wittenberg stated that she had no issues or red flags to report.

YOUTH CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Youth City Council Representative Ciana Beller reported that the Youth City Council is organizing a Rock the Rec event and planning visits to local nursing homes. Ms. Beller stated three Youth Councilors attended the Image Summit in Brighton which focused on leadership skills, innovative thinking, collaboration, and problem solving.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

No comments were provided.

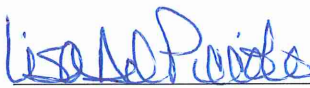
STAFF COMMENTS

Police Chief Blaine Hall commended Commander Matt Smith for earning a Master of Science degree in industrial organizational psychology. City Council and staff congratulated Commander Smith.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

At 6:54 p.m., a motion was made by Doug Glaspell to adjourn the meeting with no further action taken.

ATTEST:


Lisa DelPiccolo, City Clerk


David Frank, Mayor

