

A regular meeting of the Montrose City Council was held on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 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: J. David Reed, Dave Frank, Judy Ann Files, Doug Glaspell, Ed Ulibarri, Maggie Kusar, Jordyn Simo, Hunter Barton, Ann Morgenthaler, Chris Dowsey, Greg Story, Lisa DelPiccolo, Briceida Ortega, Sharon Dunning, Tim Cox, Scott Murphy, Mark Tofflemoyer, Jody Moreland, Rebeqah Love, Erin Maxwell, Matt Magliaro, William Reis

GUESTS: Lance Michaels, James Gorraiz, Stanya Gorraiz, Marisa Borchardt, Erin McCullough, Loren Knobbe

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. David Reed 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.

MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK PROCLAMATION

Mayor J. David Reed and the Montrose City Council proclaimed the week of May 5 through May 11, 2024, as Municipal Clerks Week in the City of Montrose. Mayor Reed presented the proclamation to the City's municipal clerks and court clerks.

MENTAL HEALTH MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor J. David Reed and the Montrose City Council proclaimed the month of May 2024 as Mental Health Month in the City of Montrose. Mayor Reed presented the proclamation to Loren Knobbe with Tri-County Health Network.

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Dentist Marisa Borchardt spoke in favor of adding fluoride to the water supply for public health benefits.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

City Council considered the minutes of the April 16, 2024, regular City Council meeting.

A motion was made by Dave Frank, seconded by Doug Glaspell, to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2024, regular City Council meeting as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

RESCHEDULING OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Council considered the rescheduling of the June 18, 2024, regular City Council meeting to Monday, June 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers.

A motion was made by Dave Frank, seconded by Doug Glaspell, to reschedule the June 18, 2024 regular City Council meeting to Monday, June 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers. All voted yes. Motion passed.

NEW HOTEL AND RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION

City Council considered an application for a new Hotel and Restaurant liquor license at 1541 Oxbow Drive, 1000a, for Urban Hip-E, LLC, doing business as Urban Hip-E, for consumption on the licensed premises. A hearing was held.

City Attorney Chris Dowsey reported that the file is in order, the fees have been paid, and a staff review found nothing that would prevent the license from being issued.

Applicants James Gorraiz and Stanya Gorraiz were present to answer questions.

Ms. Gorraiz reviewed their plan to offer a unique business with a focus on fresh foods, including greens and vegetables. Ms. Gorraiz said the concept will be easy, healthy options with a Mediterranean feel for working people and families. The applicants operate two restaurants in Telluride, including Steamies Burger Bar that holds a liquor license. Ms. Gorraiz stated that Montrose needs this restaurant to add to the diversity of offerings.

Ms. Gorraiz agreed to the definition of the neighborhood as the city limits and stated that issuing this license will help meet the needs and desires of the neighborhood.

Mr. Dowsey reviewed a summary of a petitioning process that was conducted and stated that 122 signatures were received, all in favor of the license. Erin McCullough with Oedipus Petitioning was present to answer questions.

The applicants stated that they are familiar with Colorado liquor laws and have completed TIPS training. Mr. Gorraiz stated that they will use a point-of-sale system that requires a valid ID. Mr. Gorraiz said that their existing liquor-licensed establishment has not experienced a violation in nine years of existence. Mr. Gorraiz stated that the owners and employees will complete alcohol server training.

Mayor J. David Reed opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Reed closed the hearing.

A motion was made by Dave Frank, seconded by Doug Glaspell, to approve a new Hotel and Restaurant liquor license at 1541 Oxbow Drive, 1000a, for Urban Hip-E, LLC, doing business as Urban Hip-E, for consumption on the licensed premises. All voted yes. Motion passed.

BLOWERS ADDITION ANNEXATION

A hearing was held on the annexation of the Blowers Addition.

Planner II William Reis reviewed the annexation schedule and stated that the 12.94 acres is within the City's Urban Growth Boundary, within City of Montrose water and sewer service areas, and more than 1/6 of the perimeter is contiguous to city limits.

Mr. Reis reviewed the zoning of the surrounding area and the proposed zoning of "RL", Rural Living District, with a one-acre minimum lot size.

Mr. Reis recommended approval of the annexation stating that the proposal is consistent with public health, safety, and welfare, city annexation policies and the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Reis also recommended approval of the "RL" zoning designation with a minimum lot size of one acre. An annexation agreement has been signed and an annexation impact report was sent to Montrose County.

Resolution 2024-07: City Council considered Resolution 2024-07, Findings of Fact for the Blowers Addition Annexation.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by Ed Ulibarri, to adopt Resolution 2024-07 as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

Ordinance 2663 – First Reading: City Council considered Ordinance 2663 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, for the annexation of the Blowers Addition. A hearing was held.

Mayor J. David Reed opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Reed closed the hearing.

A motion was made by Dave Frank, seconded by Doug Glaspell, to pass Ordinance 2663 on first reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2664 – FIRST READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2664 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, providing for the zoning of the Blowers Addition as a "R-L," Rural Living District. A hearing was held.

Mayor J. David Reed opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Reed closed the hearing.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by Ed Ulibarri, to pass Ordinance 2664 on first reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2661 – SECOND READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2661 on second reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, granting and authorizing the conveyance of an interest in City-owned real estate pursuant to § 1-9-2 of the official Code of the City of Montrose (West South First Street Right of Way).

City Attorney Chris Dowsey reported no changes to Ordinance 2661 since first reading on April 16. Mr. Dowsey stated that a building was constructed in the right of way in the 1960s. The parcel is less than 500 square foot and is not needed for utilities or access.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by Dave Frank, to adopt Ordinance 2661 on second reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

WOODGATE-EAST OAK GROVE ROUNDABOUT RIGHT OF WAY CLEANUP MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

City Council considered an agreement with RDMJK Woodgate Investments to facilitate cleanup of rights of way and easements along the southern side of the proposed roundabout at Woodgate and East Oak Grove Roads.

City Engineer Scott Murphy reported that an additional 500 square feet of right of way is needed for the construction of the roundabout at E. Oak Grove and Woodgate Roads. As part of the transaction, the City will also vacate obsolete right of way to the property owner. A Memorandum

of Agreement will outline the transactions, and Ordinance 2662 will authorize the vacation of the obsolete right of way. The transaction will then be formalized with a plat action. Mr. Murphy stated that no compensation is involved, and the City will pay closing costs.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Dave Frank, seconded by Doug Glaspell, to enter into a right of way cleanup agreement with RDMJK Woodgate Investments as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2662 – FIRST READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2662 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, granting and authorizing the conveyance of an interest in City-owned real estate pursuant to Section 1-9-2 of the Official Code of the City of Montrose. A hearing was held.

Mayor J. David Reed opened the hearing.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

Mayor Reed closed the hearing.

A motion was made by Doug Glaspell, seconded by Ed Ulibarri, to pass Ordinance 2662 on first reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORTS

City Engineer Scott Murphy reported that road project updates will be posted on the City's Facebook page and on the City website.

Deputy City Manager Ann Morgenthaler stated that the City Hall façade project is underway. City Hall is open during the project but Planning Building staff have temporarily moved to the Visitor Center.

YOUTH CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Youth City Council Mayor Hunter Barton reported that a few Youth City Councilors participated in a legislative trip to Denver in April, and the Youth Council recently completed a street clean-up project. Mr. Barton also reported that an end of year retreat is planned.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

City Councilor Ed Ulibarri asked if handicap parking spots could be made available on Cascade Avenue during the City Hall façade renovations. Deputy City Manager Ann Morgenthaler said that a plan is in place to designate two handicap parking spaces on Cascade Avenue.

City Councilor Judy Ann Files inquired about a facility closure on May 8. City Clerk Lisa DelPiccolo reported that in the early 1900s, a day was designated each spring as Montrose Day and citizens and business owners would beautify their surroundings. In recent years, the City has designated a portion of a day for City employees to complete beautification and organization projects.

Mr. Ulibarri thanked city staff for participating in Cinco de Mayo celebrations.

Mayor Pro Tem Dave Frank acknowledged City Engineer Scott Murphy for a water runoff forecast presented at the May 6 work session.

Ms. Files announced that the upcoming week is National Police Week, and May 15 is Peace Officers Memorial Day. Ms. Files expressed appreciation for all regional law enforcement officers.

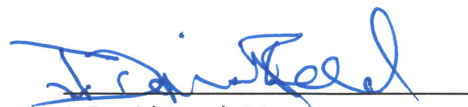
Mr. Ulibarri asked if roundabout etiquette information is available on the City website. City Engineer Scott Murphy said that information is posted on social media occasionally.

Mayor J. David Reed reported that the City Council will continue with existing priorities over the next year and will focus on recognizing citizen contributions. Mayor Reed announced the creation of the You Make a Difference Award which will be presented to worthy recipients during City Council meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:51 p.m., a motion was made by Judy Ann Files, to adjourn the meeting with no further action taken.

ATTEST:


J. David Reed, Mayor


Sharon Dunning, for the City Clerk

