



MONTROSE CITY COUNCIL

June 2, 2026

A regular meeting of the Montrose City Council was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Elks Civic Building at 107 S. Cascade Avenue. Said meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Law.

PRESENT

Michael Badagliacco, Ed Ulibarri, Dave Frank, J. David Reed, Adam Woodden, Bill Bell, Ann Morgenthaler, Chris Dowsey, Greg Story, Briceida Ortega, Jim Scheid, William Reis, Matt Magliaro, David Bries, Tim Cox, Scott Murphy

GUESTS

Dave Stockton, Beth McCorkle, Leif Betancourt-Ege, Rachel Betancourt-Ege, Caleb Walker, Evelyn Greenman-Baird, Eliza Sanders, Jenna Peterson, Kendra Stucki, Kaisa Simon, Erin Simon, Krista Emery, Chad Eggan, Kate Rohrer, Zoe Tuttle, Yaretzi Mosqueda, Robin Flom, Jon Flom, Ryan Sedgeley, Rain Sandoval, Sean Dailey, Julie Christy, Janet G. Spear, Debra Kloor, Clay Goldberg, Molly Bergen, Kirsten Atkins, Astre Cox, Clara Carrasco, Laura Thomas, Charles Vanderwist, Andrew Vanderwist, Ken Otto, Chad Jukes, Ian McKelvey, Luke Baird, Kal Greenman-Baird, Amy Kehoe, Ron Meecham, Matt Miles, Marci Miles, Doug Glaspell, Judy Ann Files, Janet Eckerdt, Kim Spangrude, Jenny Cruz, Karen Sherman Perez, Barbara Bynum, Mark Hawkins, Grace Coleman

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael Badagliacco 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.

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Kim Spangrude stated that the League of Women Voters is non-partisan but not neutral.

Beth McCorkle, Evelyn Greenman-Baird, Dave Stockton, Kal Greenman-Baird, Amy Kehoe, Elizabeth Sanders, Rain Cordova Sandoval, Charles Vanderwist, Chad Jukes, Ron Meecham, Jenny Cruz, Karen Sherman Perez, Barbara Bynum, Zoey Tuttle, Ryan Sedgely, Mark Hawkins, and Grace Coleman spoke in support of a Pride Month proclamation.

Dave Bowman shared details about the upcoming Montrose Summer Music Series and invited the public to the first concert of the summer on June 5, 2026.

Clay Goldberg and Ken Otto expressed concerns regarding motorized e-bikes and said many of the e-bikes currently being used are more similar to motorcycles in terms of speed and operation. Mr. Goldberg and Mr. Otto requested that the City Council address the issue. Mr. Otto also spoke in support of a Pride Month proclamation.

City Councilor J. David Reed made a statement expressing his disagreement with the City Councilors who did not support the Pride Month proclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

City Council considered the minutes of the May 19, 2026, regular City Council meeting.

A motion was made by Ed Ulibarri, seconded by Adam Woodden, to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2026, regular City Council meeting as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2026-06

City Council considered Resolution 2026-06 setting July 7, 2026, as the hearing date for the El Chapin Addition annexation.

Senior Planner William Reis reviewed the annexation schedule and the location of the 12.28 acre parcel. The property is located within the Urban Growth Boundary and within City of Montrose water and sewer service areas.

The applicant is requesting a zoning designation of "R-3." The zoning of the surrounding area is "R-3A," Medium-High Density District.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Dave Frank, seconded by J. David Reed, to adopt Resolution 2026-06 as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 2715 SECOND READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2715 on second reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, authorizing the disposal of real property located at 931 and 939 North Park Avenue pursuant to § 1-9-2 of the Official Code of the City of Montrose.

Mayor Pro Tem Ed Ulibarri recused himself from this agenda item because he sits on the MADA Board of Directors. Mr. Ulibarri left the City Council Chambers at 7:09 p.m.

City Manager Bill Bell provided an update on the proposed affordable housing project located near the Park Avenue and San Juan Bypass intersection. The project is a partnership between MADA, the City of Montrose, and Kinikin Partners aimed at increasing affordable housing opportunities in the community. Under the proposed arrangement, the City would contribute the property, which would then be leveraged by the private-sector and nonprofit partners to pursue tax credits and project financing. Mr. Bell said that the agreement includes a provision allowing the City to reclaim the property if the private-sector partner does not move forward with the project.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Dave Frank, seconded by J. David Reed, to adopt Ordinance 2715 on second reading as presented. All present voted yes. Motion passed.

Mr. Ulibarri rejoined the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

ORDINANCE 2716 – FIRST READING

City Council considered Ordinance 2716 on first reading, an Ordinance of the City of Montrose, Colorado, amending Title 5 Chapter 15 Sections 7 and 22, to reflect recodification of certain sections of the Colorado Revised Statutes. A hearing was held.

City Attorney Chris Dowsey reported that adoption of Ordinance 2716 exempts the sale of precious metal bullion and coins from city sales and use tax. Mr. Dowsey stated that this topic was raised at the May 4 work session and discussed in detail at the May 18 work session. Mr. Dowsey said that this is a common exemption with 40 of the 45 states that collect sales tax implementing some form of exemption. Colorado currently has an exemption, and legislation to repeal the exemption in 2026 was unsuccessful. Mr. Dowsey said the proposed Ordinance mirrors the state sales tax exemption and the impact to City revenues is estimated to be \$10,000.00 to \$20,000.00 annually.

Public comment was accepted. Ryan Sedgeley spoke in opposition to the ordinance.

A motion was made by J. David Reed, seconded by Adam Woodden, to pass Ordinance 2716 on first reading as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 2026-07

City Council considered Resolution 2026-07, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Montrose, Colorado, authorizing the filing of a Co-Responder Program grant through the Colorado Department of Health Services.

Deputy Police Chief Tim Cox reported that adoption of Resolution 2026-07 allows the Montrose Police Department the opportunity to continue its co-responder program with a \$280,000.00 grant from the state. Deputy Chief Cox stated that this grant is a pass-through for Axis Health which partners with the Police Department. The program currently involves three clinicians that assist the Montrose Police Department, Montrose County Sheriff's Office, Delta Police Department and the Delta County Sheriff's Office. Deputy Chief Cox stated that no match is required, and the City received a \$300,000.00 grant in 2025 under this grant program.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by J. David Reed, seconded by Ed Ulibarri, to adopt Resolution 2026-07 as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

RIO GRANDE/EAST OAK GROVE ROUNDABOUT AND PHASE I RIO GRANDE EXTENSION PROJECT COMPLETION CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

City Council considered a contract award to Ridgway Valley Enterprises in the amount of \$2,514,523.00 to complete the Rio Grande/East Oak Grove Roundabout and Phase I Rio Grande Extension Project.

City Engineer Scott Murphy reported that a contract for this project was awarded in January 2026 to Earthworx Excavation which was the low bidder. When the project was approximately 45 percent completed, the contract with Earthworx was terminated on May 21 for breach of contract. At that point, project contractors had been paid \$1.7 million.

Mr. Murphy stated that Ridgway Valley Enterprises was next in line in the bid process. Ridgway Valley has availability and negotiated a reasonable proposal to complete the project. Mr. Murphy reviewed the financial aspects and said the total of the expenditures to date plus the Ridgway Valley contract amount is \$4.2 million which is \$277,000.00 less than if Ridgway Valley was selected originally. Total project costs are \$4.4 million with \$5.5 million budgeted for the project. Mr. Murphy said the project will be completed by mid-October and Rio Grande Avenue will be closed for 40 days to complete the final tie-ins.

Public comment was accepted. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Dave Frank, seconded by Adam Woodden, to award a contract to Ridgway Valley Enterprises in the amount of \$2,514,523.00 to complete the Rio Grande/East Oak Grove Roundabout and Phase I Rio Grande Extension Project as presented. All voted yes. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORTS

Wastewater Treatment Plant Project Update

Utilities Director David Bries provided a monthly update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project. Mr. Bries reported that with 18 percent of the project completed, expenditures to date total \$6,256,510.39 of the \$33,622,298.00 authorized for the project.

Mr. Bries also provided an update on a power failure on Saturday, May 23. Mr. Bries said the Wastewater Treatment Plant lost power at 1:00 a.m. and operated limited equipment with a generator until power was restored by DMEA by 2 p.m. Mr. Bries said the outage reinforces the need to upgrade the generator capacity to allow the plant to run at full capacity.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

No City Council comments were provided.

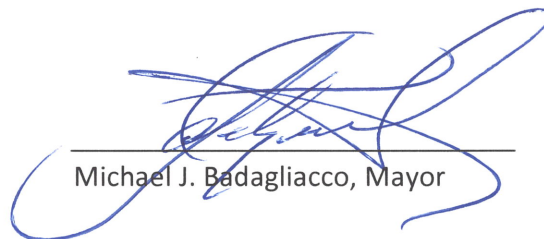
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m. with no further action taken.

ATTEST:



Lisa DelPiccolo, City Clerk


Michael J. Badagliacco, Mayor