# CITY OF AZTEC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Tuesday March 22, 2022

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

#### I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. Invocation led by Denver DeWees
- B. United States Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Jim Crowley
- C. New Mexico pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Jim Crowley

# II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George;

Commissioner Austin Randall, Commissioner Colby King;

Commissioner Jim Crowley

Members Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Paul Eckert; City Attorney Steven Murphy; City Clerk

Karla Sayler

# III. PROCLAMATION

National Vietnam War Veterans Day

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. read and presented the Proclamation to the DAR members.

**Aztec Wrestling Proclamation** 

Commissioner King read and presented the Proclamation to the Aztec Wrestling Team.

# IV. PRESENTATION

Aztec Airport Layout Plan Study-Wendi Renier

Wendy Renier presented a power point to Commission on the following:

- Purpose of the ALP study
- Key Participants
- Process
- Key Findings

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Action required-Approve/Adopt

## V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George to approve the agenda; SECONDED by Commissioner Randall except for Quasi-Judicial Hearing Item A to be pulled

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

#### VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commission Meeting Minutes March 8, 2022
- B. Law Enforcement Protection Fund
- C. Pole-Mounted Electric Distribution Transformers

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to approve the Consent agenda; SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem George

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

#### VII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

#### VIII. CITIZENS INPUT (3 Minutes Maximum)

NONE

#### IX. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Intent to Adopt Ordinance 2022-523 Amending Chapter 2, Article 5, Advisory Boards and Committees for the reinstatement of the Planning and Zoning Board.

Community Development Director Steven Saavedra mentioned that this Ordinance is to bring back the Planning and Zoning Board. He mentioned the board has been removed from the City for over 10 years, and there is a growing body within the City that would like to see it come back. He mentioned that there are not many communities that do not have a Planning and Zoning Board. Steven mentioned that what the City is doing now without the board may be working, but there could be the perception that all decisions in regards to planning and zoning are coming from Community Development, and more specifically from Steven himself. The Planning and Zoning Board would allow greater input from the community on some of the zoning issues. He mentioned there are different sections within state statute that allows for a

Planning and Zoning 80ard. He stated there are a lot of benefits that can be obtained from the board, having greater transparency, more eyes and input on the zoning issues and that items that are not controversial will not have to come before Commission for approval. He mentioned there are negatives as well such as adding an additional board with different perspectives, having a lack of quorum can cause delays, and that there will be additional days to the customers wait time. Mayor Pro-Tem George questioned if it would add more to Community Development staff time. Steven stated that it would at first, but once they get up and going it shouldn't be too much staff time. Mayor Pro-Tem George questioned that if there is lack of quorum would the issues be brought to Commission for approval or would the issue have to wait for the next quorum. City Attorney Murphy stated that it would have to wait for the next meeting with a quorum. Mayor Pro-Tem stated that he is concerned that this would hold up the process for citizens, City Attorney Murphy stated that there could be a temporary permit in case of delay.

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to approve the Intent to Adopt Ordinance 2022-523 Amending Chapter 2, Article 5, Advisory Boards and Committees for the reinstatement of the Planning and Zoning Board SECONDED by Commissioner King.

A Roll Call was taken: All voted Aye: Motion passed five to zero

B. Special budget Resolution 2022-1277 CSLFRE Fund Budget Adjustment

Public Work Director Stephen Morse gave an update on the N. Main project, he mentioned all the extra costs that have been incurred with the project.

- Issues with the sidewalk not being ADA compliant, so they had to be taken out and redone to a 10ft width.
- additional wiring issues that have caused cost increases.
- Survey costs.
- Stormwater relocation tax and contingency costs.
- 10 ft diameter manhole

Mayor Padilla questioned the abandoned drainage line and if the City is going to pay to take it out or fill it. Stephen Morse mentioned it would have to come from different funds from next fiscal year, he got an estimate for flowing fill foam and removal, the foam would be the cheapest. City Attorney questioned the amounts that they were seeking. Finance Director Anthony Bolling mentioned that this project is generally coming out of the capital projects fund. He mentioned that the additional money that they are seeking is for the current issues that have come up with this project. City Manager Eckert mentioned that they are close to knowing the final number for this job, given the unforeseen issues.

Mayor Pro-Tem George Called for the Question to approve Special budget Resolution 2022-1277 CSLFRE Fund Budget Adjustment MOVED by Commissioner Randall SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem George

A Roll Call was taken: All voted Aye: Motion passed five to zero

C. Award of Bid 2022-799 NM 173 Waterline Relocation Construction Services

MOVED by Commissioner Crowley to approve Award of Bid 2022-799 NM 173 Waterline Relocation Construction Services; SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

## X. QUASI JUDICIAL HEARING

A. Lifeline Ministries requests a Conditional Use Permit to allow a Church in (C-1) The Limited Retail Neighborhood Commercial District, located at 501 N Main Ave Ste 200, N. Main Ave

Mayor Padilla stated that the item was not advertised correctly, it was pulled from the agenda until further notice.

#### XI. COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Commissioner Randall wanted to express that his frustrations are not with City staff over the delays and overages on the N. Main project.

#### XII. CLOSED SESSION

A. Closed Session Pursuant to State Law, Section 10-15-1H (2) Limited Personnel Matters

Mayor Padilla called to go into closed session pursuant to Sate Law, Section 10-15-1H (2) Limited Personnel Matters at 7:33pm

A roll Call was Taken: All Voted Aye

Mayor Padilla called to come out of closed session at 8:22pm Pursuant to State Law, Section 10-15-1H (2) Limited Personnel Matters at 7:33pm and mentioned that there were no other items discussed and no decisions were made

# XIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

# POTENTIAL FUTURE CITY COMMISSION ITEMS- (Appearing on the Agenda within 30-90 days):

Item	Meeting
Roping Arena Agreement	April 12
FY 21 Financial Report	April 12
Resolution Support the Transportation Project Fund (TPF) grant app	
to NMDOT	April 26
Employee Classification Plan Update	April 26
Final Acceptance of the 2022-24 Commission Strategic Plan	May 10
Commission Walkabout	June

# XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Padilla moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:22,0m

Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.

ATTEST:

Kalla Sayler, City Clerk

**MINUTES PREPARED BY:** 

Alisha Campbell, Administrative Assistant