

CITY OF AZTEC
COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday August 9, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael A. Padilla called the workshop to order at 5:15 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George; Commissioner Colby King; and Commissioner Jim Crowley; Commissioner Austin Randall

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: Interim-City Manager Chief Michael Heal; City Clerk Karla Saylor

Interim City Manager Discussion

Mayor Padilla opened the workshop by mentioning an upcoming meeting in Farmington that would need to be posted for the public if the Commission was going to attend.

Mayor Padilla mentioned that there were three candidates that applied for the Interim-City Manager Position, Joshua Ray pulled his request for both Interim and Manager positions. Chief Heal and Jeff Blackburn both applied for the Interim-City Manager position.

Jeff Blackburn disclosed he has no close or financial contacts with any Commissioners. Jeff presented Commission with a PowerPoint highlighting his professional and academic accomplishments. Jeff mentioned what he believes are the immediate priorities for the City to be working on. He mentioned all the budgeted goals for FY23 as well as the ICIP that is going to be presented to Commission for approval. Jeff addressed the broad skills and knowledge he has that will help him in the running of the City if chosen as Interim.

Chief Mike Heal addressed Commission with his abilities, knowledge and skills that he has that will help him in the running of the City as interim. He mentioned all of the contacts that he has throughout the County that will also be an asset to running the City. Chief Heal mentioned the many things he has already done as acting City Manager over the past few months. Chief heal disclosed he has no close or financial contacts with any Commissioners.

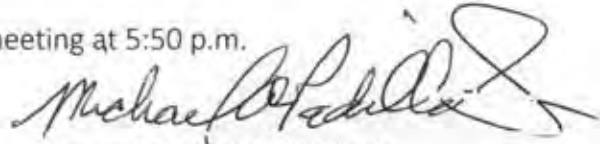
Mayor Padilla mentioned there will be a closed session to discuss both candidates and they will come out of the session and vote to appoint one of the candidates.

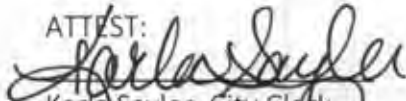
City Attorney Steve Murphy mentioned the administrative regulation that was being worked on capping any temporary employees at 10%, he recommended that Commission go no higher than 10% on an increase for the Interim and perhaps lower. Mayor Padilla mentioned that they will set the rate in closed session, and it will be in the motion during the open meeting when voting on a candidate.

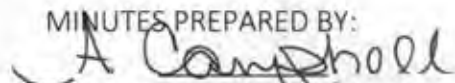
Commissioners had various questions for the candidates, they answered all questions that commission presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Padilla to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m.


Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr.

ATTEST:

Karla Saylor, City Clerk

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Alisha Campbell

