

CITY OF AZTEC
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday November 08, 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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation led by Commissioner Austin Randall
United States Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr.
New Mexico pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Commissioner Colby King; and Commissioner Jim Crowley (via zoom); Commissioner Austin Randall

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: City Manager Jeff Blackburn; City Attorney Steve Murphy, Administrative Assistant Alisha Jaramillo

PRESENTATION

South Rio Grande Speed Review - Joseph Gonzales

Joe reported on the study that was conducted on S. Rio Grande Avenue to measure speeds in the neighborhood. He stated that 52,236 vehicles traveled in this zone from 9/9/22 to 9/27/22. Of that 45,001 vehicles were counted over the speed limit and 6800 were cited for going 10 over the speed limit. He proposed some solutions, commission requested more information and options for Joe to produce and bring to commission at a later date.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Approve; SECONDED by Commissioner King

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commission Meeting Minutes October 25, 2022
- B. Resolution 2022-1316 Municipal Surplus
- C. Resolution 2022-1317 to Recommend the NMDOT Redesign and Rebuild HWY 173 from Aztec to Navajo Dam
- D. Resolution 2022-1318 Support of Application to the Bureau of Land Management for Road ROW at the Aztec Motocross

- E. City of Aztec and Aztec Municipal School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding
- F. Special Use Permit 22-01 to allow three horses within the R-1 District at 860 E Sabena St

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Approve Consent Agenda with the exception of item E to be pulled SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem George

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

- E. City of Aztec and Aztec Municipal School Recourse Officer Memorandum of Understanding

Mayor Padilla pulled this item to amend the effective date on the school resource officer MOU to 11/8/22.

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Approve Memorandum of Understanding for the School Resource Officer between the Aztec Municipal Schools and the City of Aztec changing the effective date to 11/8/2022 striking August 31, 2022, from the original MOU, SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem George

All Voted Aye; Motion passed Five to Zero

CITIZENS INPUT

Bob Settledecker came before Commission with concerns about the speeding in their neighborhood on South Rio Grande. He proposed that speed bumps be placed in the neighborhood to keep speeding issues down.

BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. Aztec Sparkles Lighting Contest Awards

Ed Kotyk reviewed the amounts and the rules to commission for this year's lighting contest in Aztec. He proposed that it be handled the same as last year which was \$250 credit on utility billing for commercial and residential winners. Mayor Padilla had some concerns about the voting that took place last year and would like to see that changed. He also brought up a concern that in the past audits it was brought up that the City doing this was an issue on gifting. Mayor Padilla is not against doing this but would like Finance to research this, so it does not come back on the City in any way. Mayor Pro-Tem George mentioned that he believes this is enterprise dollars and he thinks that it is ok to do the rewards. Mayor Pro Tem George recommended changing the way that the City awards contest winners, \$100.00 per week/per district for residential winners, commercial winners would stay the same at \$250.00 for 4 weeks.

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem George to APPROVE Aztec Sparkles Lighting Contest in the amount of \$250 for commercial non-transfer credit to utility bill and for residential winners in

each district each week for four weeks starting the first full week of December ending December 31st prize being \$100 to utility bill non-transfer credit SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

Motion passed Four to One; Commissioner Crowley VOTED NAY

B. City Manager Appointment and Employment Agreement

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem George to APPROVE City Manager Appointment and Employment Agreement; SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mayor Padilla thanked the P&Z board for their participation on the board. He reminded Commission there will be a veterans day parade on 11/12/22 @ 10:00am

Commissioner Randall updated Commission on the fishing at Tiger and Riverside Park, the State restocked both.

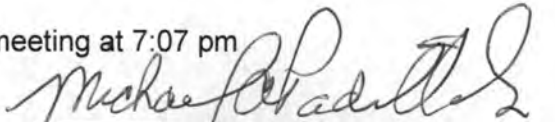
Interim City Manager Jeff Blackburn addressed the recent COVID outbreak within the City departments. He stated there was another phishing attempt through email that was addressed by the IT department. Jeff let Commission know about the County/City Manager meet and greet that is being planned. Jeff asked for direction on setting up a Special Meeting with Becker Law Firm to discuss the ongoing case.

Finance Director Jennie Achee introduced herself and gave a brief background on her previous employment and qualifications as Finance Director.

Community Development Director Steven Saavedra reported to Commission on the upcoming Community Thanksgiving Dinner that the Senior Center is preparing, they still need donations.

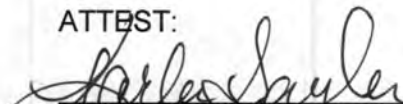
ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Mayor Padilla to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 pm



Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.

ATTEST:



Karla Saylor, City Clerk

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

