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TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
SPECIAL WORKSESSION/REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, December 1, 2020 5:30 PM

AGENDA

CALL THE SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Beaver calls the special meeting to order at 5:30 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Dan Beaver, Vice Mayor Jerry Hooper, Council Member Karen Bonds, Council Member Frank Savino, Council Member Marion Shontz, Council Member David Lucas, and Absent Council Member Randy Hartless

Other Staff Present: Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Amy Putnam and Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Director of Community Development Nora Yackley, Director of Public Works Steve Ziegler.

Others Present: John Gutekunst, Allen May

PURPOSE:

1. Discussion regarding the matter referenced below

a. Town Code 6-3-2 Livestock and Poultry

Mayor Beaver opens the floor for discussion. Community Development Director Nora Yackley advises the council of the different handouts that are provided for review. She notes the changes that will take place if the new ordinance goes into place. Mayor Beaver asks for questions from the council. VM Hooper would like to see 180 days to stay, he does not agree with the 240 or 270 days and does not want to see horses or cattle in town limits. He feels putting a steer in a backyard is not right. Mayor Beaver expresses the same concern, 280 days is 9 months. The goats and lambs at 240 days are also a long time. CM Bonds notes that is the time it takes to get to fair with that project. Nora clarifies the timeline. CM Savino also agrees with the steer and horses. He notes that when this ordinance went into effect the Town was more

of an agricultural area. Further conversation about the timeline continues. CM Savino feels we need to encourage the children to participate in these types of activities, however the size of horses and steer are an issue and should not be raised in a residential area. CM Shontz asks about the amount of animals. Nora advises the number of animals has not changed, however the number of animals corresponds directly to the number of children living in the household that are participating or no more than 3, whichever is the lesser amount. CM Savino notes that if a family were to have 3 steer in a yard that would be inhumane. CM Bonds states again that Parker used to be a highly agricultural area, however it is not now. She notes she is also sympathetic to the kids as these are important projects. She agrees that the cattle in a yard is too large, however the lambs and goats she would like to consider. She feels that the livestock advisors are doing most of the policing of the raising of the animals. She would like to consider the lambs and goats for the 240 days. Again she agrees with the other members of council about the steer, it's inhumane and not fair to the neighbors. VM Hooper clarifies what CM Bonds is proposing. CM Lucas asks about the noise created by a lamb. It is noted there are already other noise ordinances in place that would cover excessive noise. Mayor Beaver notes for the group that he has done a little research on this topic in other countries, he notes that his property near Prescott is 4 acres and he is only allowed to have 2 animals per acre, and the town here is considering up to 3 animals on a 50 by 150 lot. He feels that this ordinance is a very fair compromise. This update even allows more animals than the county does. VM Hooper aska Chief Bailey how many lambs and goats are usually in town? Chief Bailey notes on average there are probably 2 or 3 lots in town that participate. He can only think of 1 steer in town. CM Bonds notes at one time the small park at the end of town had been offered for a livestock area, but it was not convenient for participants especially if the animal was sick and needed around the clock care, the Town has tried to accommodate. Town Manager notes that this item was advertised in the paper, posted to our website and at town hall and notes that Council has all of the letters from concerned citizens. She agrees that we are not the agricultural community we once were. There is no further discussion.

ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING: 5:55 PM

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Please silence or mute your electronic devices during the Council Meetings

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Beaver call the regular meeting to order at 6:00PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Dan Beaver, Vice Mayor Jerry Hooper, Council Member Karen Bonds, Council Member Frank Savino, Council Member Marion Shontz, Council Member David Lucas, and Absent Council Member Randy Hartless

Other Staff Present: Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Amy Putnam and Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Director of Community Development Nora Yackley, Senior Center Director Darla Tilley, Library Manager Tracy McConnell, Director of Public Works Steve Ziegler.

Others Present: Michael Kelly, Melissa Newton, Pastor Louie Marsh, JOhn Gutekunst, Rey De Leon, Fidel Castro

INVOCATION: Given by Pastor Louie, Christ Church on the River

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all in attendance

PRESENTATION: Award presentation

Tracy McConnell, Library Manager

Library Manager, Tracy McConnell presents Robert Marlowe with an award from the Arizona Library Association for Volunteer of the Year. She thanks Robert for all of the wonderful work he provides to the library and notes that in the last year he has devoted more than 500 hours as a volunteer. Pictures are taken.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

There was no call to public presented to the Town Clerk

If you wish to address the Council during this meeting, please read and fill in the information on the "Call to the Public" form and hand it to the Town Clerk. Please limit your comments to a maximum of 3-minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items in the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or have been previously reviewed by the Council, and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. If requested, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

Approve the following:

A. Regular Council Meeting/Executive Session Minutes of November 17, 2020

MOTION: Move to Approve Regular Council/Executive Session Minutes of November 17, 2020
BY: CM Bonds
SECOND: CM Savino
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

B. Parade Request from the Soroptimist of Parker for their 13th Annual Lighted Christmas Parade beginning at 5:30pm at 16th Street and Joshua Avenue to travel west along Joshua Avenue to then disband at 12th Street by the Senior Center at approximately 7:00pm on Saturday, December 12, 2020.

MOTION: Move to Approve Parade Request
BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: CM Lucas
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

- C. Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism and Best In the Desert request Street Closures for the Thursday, January 14th, 2021 annual 425 "Downtown Experience", Tech and Contingency from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm (*see maps*)

MOTION: Move to Approve BITD 425 Downtown Experience Street Closure
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: VM Hooper
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

- D. BITD request Street Closures for the annual 425 Off-Road Race on Friday, January 15, 2021 and Saturday, January 16, 2021 from 6:00 am until 1:00 pm (*see maps*)

MOTION: Move to Approve BITD 425 Race Street Closure
BY: CM Bonds
SECOND: CM Savino
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

- E. 12th Street Barber Shop 5 Years in Business BBQ Soft Street Closure on Saturday February 13, 2021 8:00 am until February 14, 2021 8:00 am. Event will run from 5:00 pm until 12:00 am

MOTION: Move to Approve 12th Street Barber Shop street closure
BY: CM Bonds
SECOND: CM Lucas
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny WACOG Nutrition Services SFY 2021 Amendment #1

Darla Tilley, Senior Center Director

Senior Center Director, Darla Tilley requests council to approve the WACOG SFY2021 Amendment #. She notes the original contract was signed in August 2020. The amendment will bring in another \$48,478 to be used for congregate and home delivered meals. There are no questions regarding this amendment.

MOTION: Move to Approve WACOG SFY2021 Amendment #1
BY: CM Savino
SECOND: VM Hooper
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

2. Approve/Deny Ordinance 03-2020 An Ordinance Of The Town Of Parker, Arizona Amending The Parker Town Code Title I: Administration; Chapter 4: General Penalty; And Title V: Health And Sanitation, Chapter 1: Garbage, Refuse, Litter And Nuisances, Article A: Definitions; Enforcement And Penalties.

Nora Yackley, Community Development Director

Community Development Director Nora Yackley requests council to approve the above mentioned ordinance. She advises the council that anyone convicted of a code enforcement issue is a misdemeanor. The department would like to change some of the code enforcement issues to civil violations. This gives the officers and the judge an alternative to criminal proceedings. This will also allow more lenient enforcement opportunities and penalties. This will also lessen some of the burden on the Town Prosecutor as the Code enforcement office may present these issues to the judge. There are non-criminal remedies that can be put into place. She notes the length of time it takes the prosecuting attorney to resolve these types of cases and it is very costly to the Town. She notes the goal of the department is compliance and not prosecution. Mayor Beaver opened up to questions. VM Hooper asks when this will go into effect, 30 days. He also comments that he is happy to see these ordinances being updated. Nora notes there will be more updates coming in the near future. CM Shontz agrees this is a good change. She thinks a criminal charge is a little heavy handed. Nora advises since she took over the department has started more than 200 cases. Most have been resolved, some have needed more attention. Currently there are 28 open cases with 2 of those in the court. There are no other questions.

MOTION: Move to Approve Ordinance 03-2020
BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: Cm Lucas
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

3. Approve/Deny Ordinance 04-2020 An Ordinance Of The Town Of Parker, Arizona Amending The Parker Town Code Title VI: Police And Public Safety; Chapter 3: Animal Control; Section 2: Livestock And Poultry

Nora Yackley, Community Development Director

Community Development Director, Nora Yackley requests Council to approve Ordinance 04-2020. She notes the previous work sessions and provides a brief overview of the changes. Mayor Beaver opens the floor for questions. CM Bonds states she knows that there is a fee and if we would be interested in waiving that. Nora notes that the fee will be \$25, she notes this is part of participating in these types of programs. Mayor Beaver feels this is a very fair compromise. VM Hooper comments that he knows this town used to be an agricultural area, however we are no longer that type of Town. He wants everyone to know he is in favor of the 4H and Livestock program. He makes a motion to accept with changes. Timeline for fair participation is discussed again. CM Savino asks CM Bonds a question regarding other shows in town. Answer was inaudible.

MOTION: Move to Approve Ordinance 04-2020 with the following changes;
Remove cattle and horses and Remove Item E-4

BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: CM Savino
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- *Chamber of Commerce-CM Savino + Manager Wedemeyer*
- * Tourism-Mayor Beaver + Manager Wedemeyer *
- Joint Venture-VM Hooper + CM Savino*PAACE-CM Lucas
- Tribal Committee -Mayor Beaver + CM Savino *
- Parks & Recreation-CM Lucas + Hooper Senior Center-CM Savino *
- Streets & Traffic -VM Hooper + CM Savino*
- Library Board*CM Shontz*La Paz County Fair Board-CM Bonds
- * WACOG-CM Savino + CM Hartless
- *WAEDD- CM Savino + Mayor Beaver


There are no reports at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Saturday	December 12, 2020	13th Annual Soroptimist Lighted Christmas Parade	5:30 PM Joshua Parade Route
Monday	December 14, 2020	Parks and Recreation Committee	4:00 PM
Tuesday	December 15, 2020	Next Regular COuncil Meeting	6:00 PM

Unless so noted, all meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1314 11th Street.

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING: Mayor Beaver adjourns the meeting at 6:37 PM

 Approve

Dan Beaver, Mayor

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