

Mayor Ed Sisson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Councilmembers Bill Raley, Robert Jurca, Mary Cooper, and Ray Penick along with City Manager Justin Clifton and City Attorney David Smith. A meeting notice was posted in the south window at City Hall at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Mayor led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda

There were none.

Minutes

It was moved by Councilmember Penick and seconded by Councilmember Jurca to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2013 regular meeting as submitted by the Clerk. All in favor, motion carried.

Citizen Comments

Linda Phillips, 1906 1600 Road, commented on Devil's Thumb Golf Course. She stated they are pleased to hear that the golf course will not be closing and that there will be a three to five year plan implemented. She thanked Council for their efforts.

Region 10 Presentation

Michelle Haynes, Executive Director with Region 10, presented a summary of the programs Region 10 offers.

Councilmember Cooper questioned if the senior meal program will remain at three days a week.

Ms. Haynes stated that all sites have been cut and that the Montrose site went to a private pay model. She explained how they deliver meals to the homes of seniors.

Councilmember Cooper questioned what the level of priority is for the sites.

Ms. Haynes stated that home delivery is their highest priority to keep seniors in their homes longer. They are working with several other agencies to establish a centralized kitchen that will also help with the sites.

All Points Transit Presentation

Sharon Phipps, Executive Director of All Points Transit, presented the bus schedule for Delta County which included the City of Delta. She explained the program and the cost for each ride. Ms. Phipps thanked Council for their contribution and would appreciate their continued support.

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Delta Housing Authority Request for Funding; Villas at the Bluff Phase II

City Manager Justin Clifton stated there is one correction in his memo regarding park improvements. In Phase II there will be additional park improvements.

Jo Rosenquist, Executive Director of Delta Housing Authority (DHA), reported that in 2008 DHA was awarded tax credits for Phase I of Villas at the Bluff, as a result of those tax credits DHA invested \$8.9 million in Delta. In July of 2013 DHA was again awarded a tax credit project. They plan to spend \$6.9 million on Phase II of Villas at the Bluff. She explained that Phase II will include 32 units.

Ms. Rosenquist stated that at this time, DHA is requesting funding for tap fees and playground improvements. The playground needs to be upgraded to include upgrades for older children. She suggested the donation be budgeted over two years since they won't start construction until April of 2014 and finishing in 2015.

Mayor Sisson questioned what the waiting list is currently for those units.

Ms. Rosenquist stated that there are currently 37 families that are on the wait list for the Phase II units. She explained that Villas has a minimum income, the residents do not receive subsidized rent.

Councilmember Jurca questioned how much DHA is requesting.

Ms. Rosenquist suggested the same as last time, which was \$25,000 in tap fees and \$30,000 for the playground.

Councilmember Cooper questioned if they need to make a decision tonight.

Manager Clifton stated that the draft budget is being presented tonight and that currently the request is not in that budget. He suggested putting the amount in the budget, should Council decide they want to contribute.

There was discussion regarding the budget and how it would be budgeted.

There was consensus amongst Council to budget \$25,000 in 2014 and \$25,000 in 2015 for contribution to Phase II of the Villas at the Bluff.

2014 Draft Budget

Manager Clifton stated that this is the first time Council has seen the budget in its entirety as far as numbers as concerned. Staff is primarily interested in knowing if there are any changes Council would like to make other than the one just noted.

Manager Clifton explained that staff has taken the conservative and over estimated expenditures out of the budget for all funds where they could be addressed. He explained how staff addressed those funds. He also explained how staff addressed revenues meeting expenditures. He summarized how the administrative fee was adjusted which has caused an overall decrease in reliance from other funds. The primary beneficiary is the city wide capital

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2014 Draft Budget (cont.)

fund. There is discretion on how those savings should be applied. He stated he believes the city wide capital fund has the most need for the funds.

Councilmember Raley questioned if staff has addressed the recommendations that were brought up at the last work session.

Manager Clifton stated that staff has applied most of those recommendations.

Councilmember Raley stated that the one specific recommendation he is interested in is closing the golf course for the winter months.

Manager Clifton reported staff is looking at the recommendation. He explained that what is difficult right now is that most savings in that area are contingent upon doing something creative with staff. Staff will be looking at the three to five year plan and closing for the winter months will be looked at that time.

Councilmember Raley stated that the City has to keep finding ways to take the burden off the tax payers of the City of Delta to support the golf course which is used primarily from golfers not within the City.

Manager Clifton reported that in the budget staff did budget a reduction of \$90,000 in transfers.

There was discussion regarding the three to five year plan for the golf course.

Councilmember Penick questioned if the HVAC system was taken out of this budget.

Manager Clifton stated that it is not in the budget; however, there are funds in there to do the surveys.

There was additional discussion regarding the reduction of transfers for the golf course.

Manager Clifton stated staff will make the change regarding the DHA contribution and then present the budget at the next meeting for approval.

Hotel/Restaurant Liquor License Renewal; Fiesta Vallarta

The Clerk reported that Fiesta Vallarta has submitted their annual hotel/restaurant liquor license renewal. The application is complete and all fees have been paid. The police department is recommending renewal.

It was moved by Councilmember Cooper and seconded by Councilmember Penick to approve the hotel/restaurant liquor license renewal for Fiesta Vallarta. All in favor, motion carried.

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Council Bill #7, 2013; First Reading
Rate Changes

Council Bill #7, 2013

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DELTA, COLORADO,
PROVIDING REVISED WATER, SEWER, ELECTRIC AND
TRASH RATES, REVISED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM
IMPROVEMENT AND TAPPING FEES, AND AMENDING THE
MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING THE SAME

was read by the Clerk.

Utilities Director Steve Glammeyer stated that staff has had several presentations regarding the rate increase. These increases are for the monthly charges for service in all four utility funds. The increases are necessary to help continue to budget the funds. The City has seen an increase in the cost of purchase power of 10% this year and it is likely there will be an additional 10% next year. There are no transfers from the municipal light and power fund this year; they were moved to the three other utility funds. To help facilitate those transfers, increases needed to be considered in those funds as well. A spreadsheet with the rate comparisons was included in the packets.

Mayor Sisson complemented Mr. Glammeyer on keeping the budget as lean as he has.

Councilmember Penick questioned when the last rate increase was.

Director Glammeyer stated the last electric increase was in 2012 and prior to that it was 2009.

It was moved by Councilmember Jurca and seconded by Councilmember Cooper to adopt Council Bill #7, 2013 on first reading.

Councilmember Penick stated that there is one "whereas" that needs to be removed.

Manager Clifton also stated that the effective date should be January 1, 2014.

The motion was amended to reflect the changes as noted.

Roll call vote: Councilmembers Cooper, aye; Penick, aye; Raley, aye; Jurca, aye and Sisson, aye. Motion carried.

Director Glammeyer thanked Council for their support.

Manager Clifton stated that total transfers in 2011 were about \$1.2 million and 2014 transfers are budgeted for \$850,000. Staff has worked hard to try to minimize the impact to the City's customers.

Councilmember Penick stated that it is his understanding that the City of Delta's rates are still less than DMEA's rates.

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Director Glammeyer reported that if DMEA does approve their proposed rate increase, the City will be about 14% less on the residential customer and 7% less on the commercial customer.

City Attorney Comments

There were none.

City Manager Comments

There were none.

Councilmember Comments

Councilmember Cooper appreciated the good words from Mrs. Phillips. She stated that the rumors of closing the golf course are not coming from Council.

Councilmember Raley also stated he never said he wanted to close the golf course.

Executive Session

It was moved by Councilmember Cooper and seconded by Councilmember Penick to convene an Executive Session for discussion of a personnel matter under CRS Section 24-6-402(4)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees; or more specifically for the City Manager's performance evaluation.. All in favor, motion carried.

At 7:57 p.m., Mayor Sisson recessed the Regular Meeting and convened the Executive Session.

At 8:50 p.m., the Mayor reconvened the Regular Meeting and announced that the Executive Session had been concluded. He stated that in addition to himself, the participants in the Executive Session were Councilmembers Bill Raley, Mary Cooper, Ray Penick and Robert Jurca as long as City Manager Justin Clifton who was excused at 8:05 p.m. and returned at 8:35 p.m. For the record, the Mayor asked any person participating in the Executive Session who believed that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into Executive Session occurred during the Executive Session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, to state his or her concerns for the record. No concerns were stated

The meeting was immediately adjourned.

/s/ Jolene E. Nelson
Jolene E. Nelson, City Clerk