GITY COUNCIL MINUT

CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO 7500 WEST 29TH AVENUE, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

May 13, 2013

6:30 p.m. PRESENTATION: Bicycle Colorado - Scott Christopher

Mayor DiTullio called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Joyce Jay Joseph DeMott Mike Stites

Davis Reinhart

Bud Starker

Kristi Davis

Tracy Langworthy George Pond

Also present: City Clerk, Janelle Shaver; City Treasurer, Larry Schulz; City Attorney, Gerald Dahl; City Manager, Patrick Goff; Police Chief, Daniel Brennan; Public Works Director, Tim Paranto; other staff, guests and interested citizens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF April 22, 2013

Motion by Councilmember Stites for approval of the Minutes of April 22, 2013; seconded by Councilmember Starker; carried 7-1, with Councilmember Pond abstaining.

PROCLAMATIONS AND CEREMONIES

On behalf of Mayor DiTullio and the City Council Clerk Shaver read and presented proclamations for the following groups:

Emergency Medical Services Week – received by representatives from Pridemark

National Military Appreciation Month – received by Wheat Ridge Police Officers Jamie Watson, Vista Exline and Joe Cassa on behalf of the Military Veterans Committee

National Peace Officers' Memorial Day – received by Police Chief Brennan

CITIZENS' RIGHT TO SPEAK none

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There was unanimous consent to add an Item #3 to the agenda, the endorsement of the application of Councilmember Reinhart for nomination to the executive board of the Colorado Municipal League.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Motion to approve award of ITB-13-13, installation of 38th Banner Poles to WL Contractors, Inc., Arvada, Co, in the contract amount of \$40,309, with a contingency amount of \$4,030
- b. Motion to approve award of ITB-13-01, 2013 Overlay and Concrete Rehabilitation Project Base, bid and bid alternative #1, to Asphalt Specialties Company, Henderson, CO in the Contract amount of \$1,137,585.75, and to approve a contingency amount of \$56,880
- c. Resolution No. <u>17-2013</u> approving a contract with the Colorado Department of Transportation for the Wadsworth Boulevard Planning and Environmental Linkage Study from 36th to 46th Ave.
- Motion to approve the Point to Point Network and Internet Connections Agreement with Century Link, in a form approved by the City Attorney
- e. Motion to appoint Debra Rosenthal as the Jefferson County Library Board Liaison, At-Large
- Correction to Council Minutes for April 8, 2013

Mr. Stites introduced the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Mr. Stites to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Mr. Pond; carried 8-0

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

2. Council Bill 08-2013 – amending the model Traffic Code in regard to tiered fine schedule for model traffic code violations and parking privileges for persons with disabilities

Mr. Starker introduced Council Bill 08-2013.

In August 2012 when City Council adopted the 2010 Model Traffic Code local amendments were added to provide for a tiered fine schedule for repeat violations in the areas of major vehicles and illegal parking in spaces reserved for persons with disabilities. The Police Department has experienced several operational obstacles in trying to implement these changes. This ordinance eliminates the tiered fine schedules and imposes a single uniform fine. This topic was discussed by Council on April 22, 2013.

<u>Motion</u> by Mr. Starker to approve Council Bill No. <u>08-2013</u>, an ordinance amending the penalties for violating sections 1203 and 1208 of the Model Traffic Code for Colorado, as adopted by the City, concerning the parking of major vehicles and parking privileges for persons with disabilities, respectively, and making conforming amendments to Section 13-2 of the Wheat Ridge Code of Laws, on first reading, order it published, public hearing set for Monday, June 10, 2013, at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, and that it takes effect 15 days after final publication; seconded by Mrs. Jay;

Mayor DiTullio asked Council to consider an amendment on first reading to raise the penalty for illegal parking in a handicapped space to an amount higher than \$150. There was some discussion.

<u>Motion</u> by Mr. Stites to amend sections 6(a) and 7 of the ordinance to increase the penalty for fraudulent parking in a handicapped spot from \$150 to \$300; seconded by Mrs. Jay; carried 5-3, with Councilmembers Davis, Starker and Reinhart voting no.

The main motion carried 8-0.

DECISIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MOTIONS

 Motion to endorse the application of Councilmember Davis Reinhart for nomination to the executive board of the Colorado Municipal League (CML).

<u>Motion</u> by Mr. Starker to endorse the application of Councilmember Davis Reinhart for nomination to the executive board of the Colorado Municipal League; seconded by Mrs. Jay; carried 8-0.

CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS

- Mr. Goff said he received a news release today from Jefferson County Open Space about the plans for Crown Hill Park. The information is available on their website. It will include replacing the restroom, a park information kiosk, adding 3 staff parking spaces, and removal of all fitness stations.
- He also thanked everyone who participated in the Citizen Forum last week.
 There were over 72 participants. The information will be presented to Council this weekend at their retreat.

CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS none

CITY CLERK'S MATTERS

Clerk Shaver reported to Council that the Liquor Authority has approved a policy to grant new licenses without having the background report from the Colorado Bureau of Investigation in hand. It will be done on a case by case basis and if the CBI report comes back with information contrary to what the application stated the Authority will take appropriate action. ~ She noted that three new liquor licenses were approved last Thursday including Mr. Starker's new restaurant at 29th and Depew; a newly remodeled

restaurant, Wine Not, at 41st & Kipling; and Kickin' Wings, an established restaurant in the shopette northeast of I-70 & Kipling.

ELECTED OFFICIALS' MATTERS

Tracy Langworthy announced the next "Meet the Artist" will be at the Brunswick Zone bowling alley (near I-70 & Kipling) this Thursday, May 16 from 5:30 – 7:00 pm. The featured artist will be photographer, Tammy McKenzie.

Joyce Jay thanked and congratulated Debra Rosenthal on her new position as our Library Liaison. She is our first such liaison.

Joe DeMott reported he had represented the Mayor and Council at Christopher House and Mountain Vista Nursing Home today for National Nursing Home Week, which is being observed nationally from Mother's Day through May 18. He shared the proclamation he read to kick off the festivities at each location. The proclamation encourages everyone to visit loved ones, friends and neighbors who reside in nursing homes, or volunteer some time, to make sure these precious members of our community are valued, appreciated and loved. Mr. DeMott thanked the nursing homes. He was privileged to commentate some of the "Olympic Games" at Christopher House where there were winners, prizes, and refreshments. It should be a fun week, and he thanked Council for the opportunity to go.

Davis Reinhart thanked staff and neighbors for their participation last Saturday in the clean-up day along 38th Avenue and in District 1. ~ He also had attended the fundraising breakfast for the Jeffco Action Center, a non-profit that responds to basic human needs such as bus tokens, clothing, children's toys at Christmas, Thanksgiving boxes, and utility subsistence. It was overwhelming and inspiring to learn what they do. There are over 5,000 volunteers and 90% of the money they receive goes directly to the individuals/programs. There is very little overhead for this organization and he encouraged people to volunteer or contribute.

Mike Stites noted that "Colorado +", the newest restaurant/bar on 38th Avenue, opened this week. They've done a great job of remodeling the old Valente's restaurant and he understands the food is fantastic – along with the beer. ~ Mike's positive thing: There are lots of weeds popping up with all this rain, so please take care of them and help your neighbors if they need it.

Mayor DiTullio

- The Mayor thanked the Jefferson County Historic Commission and the Wheat Ridge Historical Society for the tour they did of historic sites in Wheat Ridge. 50-75 people participated in the tour.
- He reported on the fundraiser for the Jefferson Center for Mental Health that was attended by Councilmembers Pond, Stites, DeMott, the Mayor, Mr. Goff and Chief Brennan. The City had purchased a table for the event and Councilmembers Stites, Pond, DeMott and the Mayor had collectively donated an

- extra \$2,000 from their individual city outreach funds. That \$2,000 was put up for bids and raised another \$10,000 from hand bids.
- He thanked the people who donated money or food for 25 kids so they could enjoy their prom last Saturday. Contributions came from Millie Nadler, Tom Abbott, Bud Starker, Jerry Dahl, Tom Yang, Tory Swanson (a commander on the USS Mississippi), Nancy Snow, Claudia Worth, Joyce Manwaring and Chief Brennan. About 450 kids attended the WRHS prom this year at the Sports Authority, where the dinner and dance were all held at one location.

The regular Council Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm. Following a short break a Special Study session convened.

Janelle Shaver, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON June 10, 2013 BY A VOTE OF 7 to 0

Davis Reinhart, Mayor pro tem

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