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Call to Order

- Mayor Pro Tem Gutjahr called to order the city council regular business meeting at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

- Lisa Adair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

- Present: Mayor Pro Tem Gutjahr, Councilors; Bill Brown and Jim Winters.
Absent: Councilor Joshua Ramsell.
Present: Municipal Clerk Lisa Adair and Valencia County News-Bulletin Editor Clara Garcia.

Approval of Agenda

- Councilor Winters moved to approve the agenda as written. The motion was second by Councilor Brown. Vote: Councilor Winters-yes; Councilor Brown-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 3-0 vote the agenda for the City Council regular business meeting held on Tuesday August 25, 2020 was approved as presented.

Approval of Workshop Minutes, City Council Regular Business Meeting Minutes and Special Workshop Minutes

- Councilor Winters moved to approve the workshop minutes of 8-11-2020, the Council regular meeting minutes of 8-11-2020, and special workshop minutes of 7-29-2020. The motion was second by Councilor Brown. Vote: Councilor Brown-yes; Councilor Winters-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 3-0 vote the Special workshop on July 29, 2020 and the workshop and regular city council regular business meeting held on August 11, 2020 were approved as written.

Public Comments

- Mayor Pro Tem Gutjahr read into the minutes a letter from Robert Chavez: Letter of thanks and recognition: I wanted to give thanks and recognition to our City Council for all the work they do to improve the lives of all the residents of Rio Communities. The work of an elected body is difficult and often not appreciated. Establishing well-thought-out and researched ordinances and fiscal policies are extremely important to, not only the present issues of our city, but also to our future. To that end, I have been so happy to see our city workers hard at work, filling potholes, cleaning weeds and picking up trash. They are also extremely friendly and responsive to concerns as well. Making a city work and be successful takes all of us to do our part, whether picking up trash in front of our homes, looking out for our neighbor, alerting law enforcement to suspicious activity, or making ourselves available to serve in whatever capacity the city might need. I feel extremely lucky, blessed if you wish, to live in such a beautiful city. I wake up every

morning and put the leashes on the canine members of the family, Boomer and Pumpkin, and head out on our walk. I am always amazed at the beauty of the sky, golf course, homes, and the mountains that surround the city. I so enjoy meeting up with the other dog lovers as they walk their family members up and down our city streets. They probably know when we are coming because Pumpkin always barks at any other dog she sees. There are others who just enjoy walking, running, or biking. What a great place to live. It is easy to be critical, just remember to stop and smell the roses. Robert Chavez, resident of Rio Communities.

- Mayor Pro Tem Gutjahr said thank you Robert.

Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Approval of Accounts Payable

- Mayor Pro Tem Gutjahr stated that our treasurer presented to Council earlier and then said one item coming up in a future workshop is getting a different interest rate, but most of our expenses have been with the fire department.
- Councilor Brown moved for the approval of accounts payable. The motion was second by Councilor Winters. Vote: Councilor Winters-yes; Councilor Brown-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. with a 3-0 vote Council approved bills to be paid.

Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Resolution 2020- xx ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan)

- Clerk Adair read into the minutes the Resolution 2020-180 ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan).
- Councilor Brown moved for the approval of the Resolution 2020-180 ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan).The motion was second by Councilor Winters. Vote: Councilor Brown-yes; Councilor Winters-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 3-0 vote Resolution 2020-180 ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan) was passed, approved, adopted and signed.

Council Reports

- Councilor Brown had no report.
- Councilor Winters said we had a very busy workshop today with a presentation of a park plan and are still in need a of committee because we want to know what you think, looking at abatement, naming the public library, which we have something in process, a City Manager plan and Council priorities, so we had a busy day with a good discussion and are moving forward. Another comment came in they want us to look at farm animals within city-limits as an ordinance, so planning and zoning is looking into that as well as creating neighborhoods.
- Mayor Pro Tem Gutjahr said the park plan will be uploaded to our website and we would like public comment on that.
- Mayor Pro Tem Gutjahr showed that we are featured in the NM Economic Development Magazine.

Adjourn

- Councilor Brown moved to adjourn. The motion was second by Councilor Winters. With a 3-0 vote the City Council regular business meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth (Lisa) Adair, Municipal Clerk
(Transcribed by Amy L. Lopez, Deputy Clerk)

Date: _____

Approved:

Mark Gwinn,
Mayor

Margaret (Peggy) Gutjahr,
Mayor Pro-tem/Councilor

Bill Brown,
Councilor

Joshua Ramsell,
Councilor

Jim Winters,
Councilor