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THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017

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CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

200 LINCOLN AVENUE, SANTA FE, N.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: FOR THE NOVEMBER 17, 2016 MEETING
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (15 MIN. TOTAL)
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a) ROSEMARY ROMERO CONSULTING – NCRTD & SFT FEASIBILITY STUDY UPDATE
 - b) SANTA FE BEAUTIFUL – GILDA MONTANO
 - c) ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR
7. OLD BUSINESS
 - a) MCD SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS
8. MCD'S FUNDING PARTNERS – AURORE BLECK
9. INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT UPDATE – MICHAEL WIRTZ & JULIE TAMBOURINE
10. MCD RESOLUTION REVISION REVIEW & VOTE – MICHAEL D. WIRTZ & DAVE MCQUARIE
11. PROW TRANSITION PLAN UPDATE – DAVID A. CHAPMAN

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12. ADJOURN

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 16, 2017;

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MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 200 LINCOLN AVENUE
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017**

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**MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
200 LINCOLN AVENUE, 10:00 AM
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Mayor's Committee on Disability was called to order at 10:00 am by Chair Aurore Bleck, on Thursday, January 19, 2017, at the City Council Chambers, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Aurore Bleck, Chair
Dave McQuarie
Julie Tambourine
Nancy Pieters
Michael Wirtz
Meriam Jawhar
(Vacancy)
(Vacancy)
(Vacancy)

MEMBERS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Victor (last name unknown)
Michael Vigil
David Chapman
Carl Boaz for Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. McQuarie asked to remove the item of election of the Vice Chair as the bylaws state that the election shall occur in February.

Chair Bleck said she put this on the agenda for discussion. We will not vote until February.

Mr. Chapman asked to add an item to endorse the request for a parking study. We are committed in our bylaws to perform reports on transportation. The email we got is requesting our endorsement of the request.

Chair Bleck said she would add that item under New Business, endorsement of a parking study.

Mr. McQuarie said we are just asking staff to do their job. The head of parking.

Chair Bleck said we are just looking at endorsing this as a committee request. We will add the item to the agenda for discussion.

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. McQuarie, seconded by Mr. Wirtz, to approve the agenda as amended.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES NOVEMBER 17, 2016

Chair Bleck said on page 4 there is a name change, page 9 should be Chapman, page 11, last paragraph, 4th line, medically required diet is what it should say, page 12 should be compromised, page 13, top paragraph, is should be added.

Ms. Tambourine said on page 11, 4th paragraph she wanted to clarify what she meant regarding Pueblos and the ADA.

Mr. McQuarie said the ADA, by law, does not apply to Pueblos. They cannot enforce it.

Ms. Tambourine said the Pueblos ensured her that they do follow ADA.

Chair Bleck said they can choose to do so of course.

Ms. Tambourine said on page 12, 4th paragraph, she wants to amend that. On page 12, it should be they decided to use pesticides in the complex and the area.

Mr. McQuarie said on page 11, we need to substitute Mr. Vigil.

MOTION A motion was made by Mr. McQuarie, seconded by Mr. Wirtz, to approve the minutes as amended.

VOTE The motion was passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Victor said he is a Veteran of Iraq and is interested in possible placement on the Board.

Mr. Vigil said he is a Veteran as well and is interested in membership.

Mr. Chapman said there are positions open on the Board. He needs a letter of application with a couple of paragraphs on each person in order to present them to the Mayor for appointment.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. NCRTD & SFT FEASIBILITY STUDY UPDATE ROSEMARY ROMERO CONSULTING

Mr. Chapman introduced Rosemary Romero, former City Councilor.

Ms. Romero said that she has her own business and had the same business when she was a City Councilor. The Study is timely and is ongoing. She passed out material which was included in the packet and then reviewed the materials.

Mr. McQuarie asked about the inclusion of paratransit in the plan.

Rosemary said lets give it a chance. Paratransit will be included, addressed and maybe increased. There are many issues still to resolve.

There was additional discussion regarding attention to disability issues and inclusion.

Chair Bleck thanked Ms. Romero for coming.

B. SANTA FE BEAUTIFUL GILDA MONTANO

Ms. Montano was not present at the meeting to give the presentation.

Mr. Chapman said that Ms. Montano is the person the Mayor suggested the Board work with regarding sidewalks and vegetation.

C. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Mr. McQuarie talked about the work of the Vice Chair.

Chair Bleck said this item is on the agenda today for discussion and information only. Is there anyone who is interested in this position.

Ms. Pieters said she understands that the Vice Chair becomes the next Chair.

Chair Bleck said that is true.

Ms. Tambourine asked if Nancy would be interested.

Ms. Pieters said she wished she could but that she can't at this time.

Mr. McQuarie said he would volunteer to be Vice Chair as a fall back position.

Chair Bleck said this item will be on next month's agenda for discussion and action.

Ms. Jawhar said she got an email regarding Legislators. What is that for.

Chair Bleck said that is for Legislators and Councilors on the sidewalk issue. We need people to show up and speak on this.

Ms. Jawhar asked is there any funding for this.

Chair Bleck said each Legislator has some funds for projects in their Districts. We are going to set up visits to our Councilors and Legislators in the near future.

D. ENDORSEMENT OF THE PARKING STUDY

Ms. Jawhar left the meeting.

Mr. McQuarie discussed the policies of the City. There is no policy on parking at this time.

Chair Bleck asked is this something other cities do. We want to see a copy of something they should have done. Is that correct. Revolving around what disability spaces should look like and all around parking as well.

Mr. McQuarie said yes. David Chapman needs to contact Mr. Correra, Department Head for Parking, and let him know what we need to have. It is part of ADA.

Mr. Chapman said we can address this in the Transition Plans. The GIS data is available.

Chair Bleck asked if the Committee is endorsing this request.

There was no decision made.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. MCD SUBCOMMITTEES REPORTS

PLAN REVIEW

Mr. McQuarie said David Chapman has the report. The report is in the packet.

Mr. Chapman said there is a copy of a memo to the Governing Body in the packet.

Mr. McQuarie reviewed his memo with the Committee.

Ms. Tambourine said it would be best to wait until the transition is done. It could be very important for members.

Ms. Tambourine said she hopes everyone supports the inclusion of Veterans on the Board. It is important.

TRANSIT

Chair Bleck said the Transit Advisory Board did meet in January. They still have a shortage of drivers. Availability is also an issue. They are now in the process of trying to hire more drivers. This is not just a Santa Fe issue, the issue of drinking and drugs is a big issue.

8. MCD'S FUNDING PARTNERS

Chair Bleck explained that we need to identify which District each member of the Committee is from so that we can put the names of the constituent member on the City Councilor and Legislator letters regarding our issues and funding requests. Your voting card says your District and who your Legislators are. She would like each member to check and let her know their District and legislators.

Mr. Chapman said he will put the salutation on the letter with the constituent's name and Chair's name. The Chair will sign and he will mail them out.

Mr. Chapman said Adam Johnson is his boss now.

Chair Bleck said the budgeting sessions start soon.

Mr. Chapman said yes, the meetings are starting now.

Chair Bleck asked could we just ask Mr. Johnson about funding and maybe he could make recommendations.

Mr. McQuarie said we need to find out what the status is of the funding to place the International Symbol of Accessibility on all transit vehicles.

Mr. McQuarie said we need to find out the status on all paratransit vehicles.

Chair Bleck said not all of the vehicles are equipped.

Mr. McQuarie said 100% of the RTD vehicles are. The Federal Government paid for them so they are paratransit equipped.

Chair Bleck said we will try to find out about bond funding and we need to go to Public Works on Monday.

Mr. Chapman said they are not set up for public comment but there will be a presentation.

Chair Bleck said as we are looking at financial things, we need to know that it will go to Public Works and they will discuss it; then it moves on to Finance and the Council.

Mr. Chapman said as the budget is developed we will provide input for ADA purposes and could seek State funds through severance bonds.

Chair Bleck said we need to talk to Mr. Johnson and set up our Legislative meetings right away.

Mr. Chapman suggested the possibility of next week. He asked if we are going to schedule a couple of members for each meeting.

Chair Bleck said yes, that is right.

Ms. Tambourine said getting people on these Committees and the Legislators to recognize who we are is critical to our advocacy of issues.

Chair Bleck said we need to be ready to speak with the Legislators quickly and concisely. We need to focus on what is the most important.

9. INTEGRATED PEST CONTROL UPDATE

Ms. Tambourine asked for a verbatim transcription on this section. (The following is a transcription with as much information verbatim as possible due to poor quality of the recording.)

Mr. Wirtz said about four months ago Victor Lucero made a presentation on the IPM to the City and our working group on this issue. He was directed by his boss, Richard Thompson, to come up with a plan for the City, City buildings, City Parks and other areas to work within the IPM Ordinance which was passed some fifteen years ago. Since then the Santa Fe Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides, of which he is a Vice Chair of, has been waiting for this report. It is now complete and was presented and accepted by the Committee. It is to be presented to the City Council in February. He has not seen the report but it has been reviewed and it is said that the use of chemicals is shown as the last resort. Ann's feeling is that this report dilutes the Ordinance. He and Ann are going to meet with the Sustainability Committee on February 1st and want to invite members of the Parks Department, members of the PARC and the three subcommittees to get them on board and get them up to speed. The purpose of the meeting is not to disparage Mr. Lucero. He has been lovely. It is to review the report and work together.

Mr. Wirtz said last fall IPM was being attacked by Parks folks. We had over 1,200 petition signatures and 40 pages of comments from Santa Fe citizens concerned about the use of pesticides. We want to reactivate those folks, Sierra Club, farmers, dairies and others to support the IPM Ordinance and the non use of pesticides and to support the Santa Fe Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides. We are going to try to get the Santa Fe Reporter involved to do some articles for us so that at the next City Council meeting in February we have a large public outcry to tell the City Council we have this Ordinance in place and the citizens of Santa Fe feel that it is being watered down and we want the Ordinance enforced.

Mr. Wirtz said we have a lot of work to do between now and the next Council meeting and we want to keep this pot from boiling over.

Mr. Wirtz said under this new report herbicides will be used in parks and that is outside the Ordinance.

Mr. Vigil asked is he proposing the use of it and why.

Mr. Wirtz yes, they are talking about that the Park folks have a limited amount of funds and it is cheaper to use the herbicides.

Mr. Vigil said they have the personnel to pull the weeds.

Ms. Tambourine said last year we discovered that the IPM Ordinance has a process that you have to go through to use pesticides or herbicides. We discovered

that the process was not being followed. We found that pesticides and other things were used at City recreation facilities and other places. Our previous Chair repeatedly asked to see those requests and documentation which is allowable by law and the City has refused to give us those documents. Roundup was being used at the Rail Yard and it is not allowed.

Mr. Wirtz said he will definitely keep the Committee posted as to the outcome of the meeting on the first.

Mr. MCQuarie said unfortunately you were lied to. On January 5th at City Council, the annual report of the status of the City Pest Management Program was given to the Council. He agreed that it is a watered down version of what you wanted.

Mr. Wirtz so it was information only so they did not act on it.

Mr. McQuarie said they did not act on it. But, why were you not included.

Ms. Tambourine asked Mr. Wirtz to get a copy of the report for the Committee members.

Mr. Chapman said he will get the report and get it to everyone. The whole report and a copy of the minutes from City Council for that section and send that as well.

Mr. Wirtz said he will get the report if Mr. Chapman will get the minutes.

Ms. Tambourine said she has repeatedly requested this information from the City and in her requests she emphasized that we have Veterans using that Rail Yard Park that are effected by these pesticides. She is affected by the exposure and feels that people need to know when these things are being done.

10. MCD RESOLUTION REVISION REVIEW AND VOTE

Mr. Chapman said this is the Resolution we worked on and it is in the packet. This version has included all of the changes we made. It still has some vetting to be completed and he will have the final at the February meeting.

Ms. Tambourine asked where are the changes.

Chair Bleck said they are underlined.

Ms. Tambourine asked can we go through each change.

Chair Bleck said she was not sure we have time.

Mr. Chapman said the next step is that this will go to Legal and in February's meeting he will have a final document. The Committee has already gone through this document and made and approved changes.

Ms. Tambourine said before it goes to Legal she would like to see the IPM changes.

Chair Bleck said on page 2 we changed resident and hazards and added environmental hazards.

Ms. Tambourine said it is her understanding that our liaison made these changes after we made our changes.

Chair Bleck said no, these are changes we made as a Committee. Now it is going to Legal to review.

Mr. Chapman said Legal made some changes.

Ms. Tambourine asked what changes.

Mr. Chapman said the changes we made are underlined. He can clarify that.

Mr. Wirtz said on page 3, line g, those are the changes you are talking about Julie. We made those changes as a Committee.

Mr. Chapman said just to be clear we brought this before the Committee, we made changes and voted on them.

Ms. Tambourine said she is concerned about any changes Legal will make or has made.

Chair Bleck said we are not going to vote on this now. It will be considered at our February meeting.

Ms. Tambourine said so it is going to Legal and we are waiting for it to get approved.

Chair Bleck said we don't have to wait for them but we are voting on this next month.

11. PROW TRANSITION PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Chapman said he has already talked about this. His report is in the packet.

12. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS AND STAFF

Ms. Pieters said she wanted to report on HR 4419, a Federal law which tries to authorize putting chips into people. It did not pass the appropriation bill but we need to be aware and work on this. It may not pass without appropriations but it is a bipartisan effort. They talk about it being on a volunteer basis but there are no standards.

Ms. Tambourine asked how much time do we have.

Ms. Pieters said it went through the House already without appropriations. It is in the Senate now. We need to track it.

Ms. Tambourine asked can we deal with it next month. Can you make a presentation on it.

Ms. Pieters said yes she can. She is getting a handout on it and will get in touch with our delegation.

Ms. Tambourine suggested a meeting where we invite the Governor's Commission on Disability and others in the State to come to the meeting so we can work together. We could allocate time to each group to talk about their issues and what they do.

Chair Bleck said let's think of ways to make that meeting attractive to them and what we would put on the agenda.

Mr. Chapman said he talked to Katherine and she is interested in joining the Committee. She is doing well and it would be nice to have her as an addition.

Mr. Chapman said the City did put out a press release regarding open positions on our Committee. He did get one inquiry and he asked them to put together and send in an application.

Mr. Wirtz asked do we as a group decide.

Mr. Chapman said no, we forward them to the Mayor and he makes the decision.

Ms. Tambourine asked if there was a copy of that press release she could have.

Mr. Chapman said he will send it to her.

Ms. Tambourine asked should it be in our Resolution that we would like to review resumes before they go to the Mayor.

There was discussion.

Chair Bleck said that is the Mayor's responsibility to decide and make appointments.

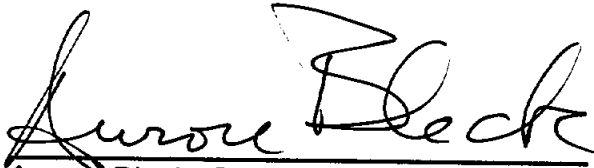

Mr. McQuarie said we are appointed by the Mayor and voted on by the City Council.

Chair Bleck said we can discuss this more and the idea of having a meeting with other service organizations at our February meeting.

13. NEXT MEETING, FEBRUARY 16, 2017

14. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.


Aurore Bleck, Chair
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer