

JOHN F. COOK
MAYOR



JOYCE WILSON
CITY MANAGER

CITY COUNCIL
ANN MORGAN LILLY, DISTRICT 1
SUSANNAH M. BYRD, DISTRICT 2
EMMA ACOSTA, DISTRICT 3
CARL ROBINSON, DISTRICT 4
RACHEL QUINTANA, DISTRICT 5
EDDIE HOLGUIN JR., DISTRICT 6
STEVE ORTEGA, DISTRICT 7
BETO O'ROURKE, DISTRICT 8

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JULY 20, 2009

The City Council met at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. Mayor John Cook present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Ann Morgan Lilly, Susie Byrd, Carl Robinson, Rachel Quintana, and Beto O'Rourke. Late arrivals: Steve Ortega and Emma Acosta at 10:06 a.m. and Eddie Holguin Jr. at 10:08 a.m.

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AGENDA

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN on the following items:

For discussion and action: FY 2010 budget, as presented by the City Manager:

Parks & Recreation

Ms. Nanette Smejkal, Director of Parks and Recreation, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

Mayor Cook and City Representatives questioned City staff.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager
2. Mr. Wright Stanton, Aquatics Manager
3. Ms. Judy Weiss, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation
4. Mr. Joe Rodriguez, Recreation Services Manager
5. Mr. Samuel Calhoun, Parks Superintendent
6. Ms. Paula Powell, Sports Manager

Motion made by Representative Byrd, seconded by Representative Robinson, and unanimously carried to **SUSPEND THE RULES OF ORDER** to allow additional speakers to address the Council after the sign-up period for the remainder of the meeting.

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Library

Ms. Carol Brey-Casiano, Director of Library, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

City Representatives questioned City staff.

Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager, commented.

The following members of the public commented:

1. Mr. Miguel Juarez, Friends of the Public Library
2. Ms. Sharon Amastae, Friends of the Public Library
3. Ms. Norma Ziemski, Friends of the Public Library

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Community Development

Mr. William Lilly, Director of Community & Human Development, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

City Representatives questioned City staff.

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Museum & Cultural Affairs

Mr. Sean McGlynn, Director of Museums & Cultural Affairs, presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the City Clerk's office).

City Representatives questioned City staff.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager
2. Dr. Michael Tomor, Director of Art Museum

The following members of the public commented:

1. Ms. Elia Perez, El Paso Museum of Archaeology Advisory Board
2. Mr. Josiah Heyman, El Paso Museum of Archaeology Advisory Board
3. Mr. Sean Bruna, El Paso Museum of Archaeology Advisory Board
4. Mr. Marshall Carter Tripp, Border Museum Association

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Zoo

The Zoo's budget hearing was re-scheduled for Thursday, July 23, 2009, at 2:45 p.m.

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Convention & Performing Arts

The Convention & Performing Arts budget hearing was re-scheduled for Thursday, July 23, 2009, at 2:45 p.m.

Motion made by Representative Ortega, seconded by Representative Byrd, and unanimously carried to adjourn this meeting at 2:57 p.m.

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk