## MINUTES

LOVELAND CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING & STUDY SESSION
TUESDAY, June 23, 2015
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
500 EAST THIRD STREET
LOVELAND, COLORADO

#### SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Gutierrez called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** The following responded Farley, Shaffer, Trenary, Fogle, Clark, Krenning, Taylor and Gutierrez. Councilor McKean was absent.

## 1. CITY ATTORNEY

# LITIGATION DIRECTION FOR KLEN, WESTON V. CITY OF LOVELAND

City Attorney, Tami Yellico, updated Council regarding the hearing on May 19, 2015. The judge ruled in favor of the City and indicated that the plaintiffs did not have a reasonable probability of success. The plaintiffs filed a motion to dismiss the lawsuit with prejudice which is pending before the court. Tami Yellico introduced the CIRSA Attorney, Steve Dawes, who explained the motion to dismiss with prejudice and the options the City has in the litigation. Council discussion ensued. Mayor Gutierrez opened the public hearing at 7:06 p.m. Hearing no comments, Mayor Gutierrez closed the public hearing at 7:06 p.m.

Councilor Clark moved to direct City staff to join the dismissal with prejudice in the Klen, Weston v. City of Loveland litigation. The motion was seconded by Councilor Shaffer which carried with all councilors present in favor.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business before this Council, Mayor Gutierrez adjourned the special meeting at 7:15 p.m. and opened the Study Session.

#### STUDY SESSION

#### 2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND DIRECTION ON THE PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT FOR THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Economic Development Director, Betsey Hale, introduced this item to Council. County Commissioner, Tom Donnelly was also present to answer Councilor's questions. Historic Preservation Committee Member, Jim Cox, shared that Downtown Loveland is listed as a National Historic District. The Plan of Development (DDA Plan) for the Loveland Downtown Development Authority (DDA) which is required by State law to be reviewed by the City Council. The DDA Plan is defined as a plan for the development or redevelopment of the DDA District over a thirty to fifty year period. On June 8, 2015 the Planning Commission unanimously approved a motion recommending the City Council consider the DDA Plan at a future meeting and on July 7, 2015 hold a public hearing and consider a resolution approving the DDA Plan. The DDA may not undertake any development project until the City Council has approved the DDA Plan. Councilors expressed the need to update downtown infrastructure and thanked staff for the presentation.

## 3. PUBLIC WORKS

CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS STRATEGIC PLAN Public Works Director, Leah Browder, introduced this item to Council. City Engineer, Dave Klockeman, was also present to answer questions. The Public Works Strategic Plan has been developed using a values- and employee-based process model. The process to date has included 51 formal strategic planning meetings, attended by 639 stakeholders who contributed over 1,000 ideas, suggestions, observations and comments. The final draft Strategic Plan is organized into seven strategic focus areas grounded in the City of Loveland's organizational values. Input and research have resulted in 22 strategic initiatives categorized into the seven strategic focus areas. An implementation structure has been developed so that not only the strategic planning action items but also the process will be integrated into our standard methods of operation. Council discussion ensued regarding transportation issues. Councilors thanked staff for the presentation and their appreciation of the department.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Gutierrez adjourned the Study Session at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa G. Andrews, City Clerk

Cecil A. Gutierrez, Mayor