



City of Littleton

Littleton Center
2255 West Berry Avenue
Littleton, CO 80120

Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

6:30 PM

Council Chamber

Regular Meeting

1. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Council Member Cole, Mayor Brinkman, Mayor Pro-Tem Valdes, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Elrod, Council Member Fey and Council Member Schlachter

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda

4. Public Comment

If you wish to address the city council under Public Comment, please sign-in on the public speaker form, before the call to order for this meeting. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes. The city council is not authorized by the Colorado Open Meetings Law to discuss comment or take action at the meeting on any issue raised by public comment that is not part of tonight's agenda. The Mayor may refer the matter to staff to obtain additional information and report back to the Council as appropriate.

John Rymers - Has lived across the street from the proposed Triple J location for 23 years. Objects to this business being located so close to homes and schools. Objects to city not coordinated with Southpark before moving forward. Triple J is not a good fit for this location. It is important for city council to listen to those who will be most impacted by this business being located in this area.

Dan Radulovich - Process for short-term rentals has been backwards from the beginning. The neighborhoods and communities of Littleton have had the burden of proof foisted upon them by the city and the council to prove that an unstaffed hotel in a residential neighborhood is a bad idea. (provided written comments from citizens not able to attend - copies are included in revised packet)

Susan Quarrels - Thank you to the city for the opportunity to bring Oktoberfest to downtown Littleton. Hope to be back next year

Dr. Richard Krantz - Treasurer of the Highline Crossing Cohousing Community. Littleton's zoning for Southpark is seriously out of date. Since the zoning laws were written 20 years ago, 3 schools have moved in, 300 houses have been built, and an elder care facility has moved into the neighborhood. The existing zoning is no longer serving the people living, working, and going to school in Southpark. Opposed to Triple J Armory in the neighborhood.

Dawn Watson - The people who own properties for short term rentals should live in the properties. Opposes to removal of portion of proposed ordinance that requires that the

property be the primary residence of the owner.

Angela Angle - In April, listed home on Airbnb as a vacation rental. No one has more of an interest in protecting my property than I do. No one has more of a commitment to the neighborhood than I do. Majority of people renting the property are coming for weddings at Hudson Gardens. Many checks and balances within the system that allow us to make good decision on who we're renting to. Not everyone in the community feels that vacation rentals are a nuisance. Appreciates the proposal sent out by the city. Suggest adding a (number of) nights minimum. Currently has a three night minimum for renting her home. Would recommend at least a two night minimum.

Theresa Tucker - Doesn't feel that requiring an owner of a short term rental is "taking away property rights". As a property owner, has many codes required to be followed, many of which can be construed as taking away property rights. Opposed to short term rentals in our neighborhoods destroying the rights of the property owners who live in the area.

Pam Chadbourne - Within the last year or so, the city gave a property owner (across from Southpark) a waiver to park vehicles without fencing. Southpark business association stated that they would not have approved such a waiver. Another example of the city not working or coordinating with neighbors or others impacted. / Regarding short term rentals, the laws are not made for compliant owners but for those who skate on the edge. Requiring the owner of the property to be on-site is not a burden.

5. Consent Agenda Items

- a) [Resolution 54-2018](#) A resolution approving the Watson Lane Reserve Subdivision, Final Plat and Subdivision Improvement Agreement, Case Number: FP17-0003
approved
- b) [Resolution 56-2018](#) A resolution regarding the Market at Southpark Subdivision, Filing No. 1, Final Plat, Case Number FP18-0003
approved
- c) [Resolution 55-2018](#) A resolution approving the Restated and Amended Sewer Connection Agreement with Platte Canyon Water and Sanitation District
approved
- d) [Resolution 57-2018](#) A resolution authorizing the Municipal Court First Appearance Grant Program
approved
- e) [ID# 18-307](#) Approval of the September 4, 2018 regular meeting minutes
approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Valdes moved and Council Member Cole seconded to approve the consent agenda items a through e. The vote is 7-0. The motion carries

unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Council Member Cole, Mayor Brinkman, Mayor Pro Tem Valdes, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Elrod, Council Member Fey and Council Member Schlachter

6. General Business

- a) [ID# 18-260](#) 2017 Audit Report and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) Presentation

7. Ordinances on Second Reading and Public Hearing

- a) [Ordinance 33-2018](#) An ordinance on second reading authorizing an intergovernmental agreement between the city and the Colorado Department of Transportation for reimbursement of costs associated with the installation of a pedestrian activated crossing/traffic light in both directions of Federal Boulevard at Berry Avenue

Mayor Brinkman opened the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

Pam Chadbourne - Traffic light is in the wrong location. Should be at the double "s" blind curve.

Mayor Brinkman closed the public hearing at 7:17 p.m.

Council Member Elrod moved and Council Member Driscoll seconded to approve the ordinance on second reading authorizing an intergovernmental agreement with the Colorado Department of Transportation for reimbursement of costs up to \$108,000 associated with the installation of a pedestrian activated crossing/traffic light in both directions of Federal Boulevard at Berry Avenue. The vote is 7-0. The motion carries unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Council Member Cole, Mayor Brinkman, Mayor Pro Tem Valdes, Council Member Driscoll, Council Member Elrod, Council Member Fey and Council Member Schlachter

8. Comments / Reports

- a) City Manager

Fire unification process update

- City Attorney

(Brandon Dittman from Kissinger & Feldman) - FCC Report and Order update on wireless facilities

- b) Council Members

Council Member Cole - No report

Council Member Driscoll - On the 27th, The Alley is having a fundraiser chili cookoff. / Grand re-opening of the Reinke Bros. haunted house on the 28th and 29th. / Thank you to Susan who ran the Oktoberfest. A really well done event this past weekend.

Fortunate to have a new event in town that brought in a different crowd and new people to Littleton. / Littleton Business Chamber celebrating their first anniversary at McKinner's in the parking lot. All are invited.

Mayor Pro Tem Valdes - No report

Council Member Schlachter - No report

Council Member Fey - Tri-Cities task force (Englewood/Sheridan/Littleton) for issues related to the homeless. / Saturday the 29th is the fourth District III citizen meeting at the Littleton Museum. A short question and answer session and then a guided tour of the outdoor museum and historical farms by museum Director Tim Nimz.

Council Member Elrod - Attended the Mineral and Santa Fe open house last week. / Working on our application for the PEL Study for Santa Fe. There are eight partners, including Littleton.

c) Mayor

Heard many great comments about the Oktoberfest event. / Appears to be a pretty significant misunderstanding of the zoning abilities of the city. Have been reaching out continuously to the community. Recommends some much stronger language on the website as to what we can do about this particular zoning issue (Triple J), which is nothing, that might stop some of the comments. Council and staff understand the community's frustration and in turn is frustrated because it would be illegal for us to make the changes they are asking as to make. / First reading of the ordinance for short term rentals is on October 2 with second reading and public hearing on October 16. That is the time to come and speak to council.

9. Adjournment

Mayor Brinkman adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

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