

APPROVED AS SUBMITTED ON JANUARY 18, 2005

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

LITTLETON CITY COUNCIL

January 4, 2005

The Littleton City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, in the Council Chambers of the Littleton Center, 2255 West Berry Avenue. The regular meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

THOSE PRESENT: RAYMOND C. KOERNIG, JR.
Mayor Pro Tem
AMY S. CONKLIN
Council Member
REBECCA KAST
Council Member
TOM MULVEY
Council Member
JAMES A. TAYLOR
Council Member

THOSE ABSENT: JOHN OSTERMILLER
Mayor
PAT CRONENBERGER
Council Member

ALSO PRESENT: Jim Woods
City Manager
Brad D. Bailey
Assistant City Attorney
Julie K. Bower
City Clerk

1. **ROLL CALL**

Upon a call of the roll, five members were present. Mayor Ostermiller and Council Member Cronenberger were absent. The following business was transacted.

2. **AGENDA**

ACTION: APPROVED

3. **(a) MINUTES - MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 21, 2004**

ACTION: APPROVED AS CORRECTED

Council Member Kast made the following correction to page 3: “Council Member Kast appreciated Mr. Cassidy comments, but she had received a call from a citizen who was angry because the city did not do enough traffic enforcement. **She said the city had never used traffic enforcement for revenue purposes.**”

Council Member Taylor made the following correction to page 8: “He suggested staff take a look at the plans for the **new entry** road.”

4. **INTRODUCE NEW CITY EMPLOYEES** – None
5. **(a) CITIZEN APPEARANCES** – GUEST CITIZENS – None
5. **(b) CITIZEN APPEARANCES** - SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES – None
5. **(c) CITIZEN APPEARANCES** – UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES –

BOBBI SHEFFIELD
7215 HOUSTOUN WARING CIR.
SOUTH METRO LAND CONSERVANCY (SMLC)
OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD FOR ARAPAHOE COUNTY

Ms. Sheffield said SMLC had a very productive year in 2004, partnering with the city on three successful projects: a contribution of \$10,000 for the purchase of the Superchi property to buffer South Platte Park; a \$500 contribution toward the completion of the Railroad Spur Trail; and \$300 toward the expansion of the solar classroom at South Platte Park. SMLC raised \$4,500 at its major fundraising event, the Stampede for Open Space. SMLC continued to actively preserve open space.

Ms. Sheffield said the Open Space and Trails Advisory Board for Arapahoe County had completed the grant application and it was available to all interested parties. The first share back monies were distributed in December. She thanked Council for being such good stewards of open space in Littleton.

SAM DRURY
210 E. STERNE BLVD.

Mr. Drury said at the June 1st Council meeting, criticisms of the city’s salary freeze were raised. He had requested a tabulation of all employee salary increases year-to-date. Mr. Drury had analyzed the data and found that the freeze was implemented. He was provided a salary update at the end of 2004, which confirmed that the salary freeze was implemented as approved by Council.

RANDOLPH ALLEN

6846 S. ELATI ST.

Mr. Allen said many stores were not in compliance with the elimination of the grocery tax. He had found that Rite Aid and the Family Dollar stores were still charging the one percent tax.

Mr. Woods said city staff would audit the stores mentioned to make sure the stores were in compliance. He said some food items were still subject to the three percent sales tax.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA - (ordinances and resolutions read by title) -
ACTION: APPROVED - ITEM 6(A)**

(a) Resolution specifying where notices of public meetings are to be posted
(Resolution No. 1, Series of 2005)

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER CONKLIN TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM 6(A).

Ayes: Council Members Mulvey, Kast, Koernig, Taylor and Conklin.

Nays: None.

Absent: Council Members Ostermiller and Cronenberger.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 to 0

7. (a) SECOND AND FINAL READING ON ORDINANCES AND PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

8. (a) GENERAL BUSINESS – None

9. (a) CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE, COMMISSIONS AND BOARD MATTERS – None

10. (a) ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING – None

11. (a) RESOLUTIONS – None

12. REPORTS -

(a) **CITY MANAGER** – Mr. Woods suggested that next week's study session start at 8:00 p.m. so that Council could attend the swearing in ceremony of the Arapahoe County Commissioners at 7:00 p.m.

Council agreed.

(b) **CITY ATTORNEY** – None

(c) **COUNCIL MEMBERS** -

COUNCIL MEMBER MULVEY – None

COUNCIL MEMBER KAST – Council Member Kast reported the Museum Board had approved a motion that allowed members of the Friends of the Library/Museum to receive a 10% discount on items from the gift shops.

Mr. Woods said that was a fairly standard practice but wanted an opinion from the City Attorney before proceeding.

Council Member Kast said the museum grand opening was scheduled for February 5th at 10:00 a.m. People would be able to tour the educational and administrative portions of the building. She said there had only been a 6% drop in attendance at the museum during construction.

COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR – Council Member Taylor reported the following South Suburban news: Cherry Hills Village was out of the district as of January 1st; the first roundabout on the Mary Carter Greenway trail was being poured; several speeding tickets had been issued by the park rangers; a whirlpool would be installed at the Buck Center; a new park sign was erected at Progress Park; and the Christmas tree recycling program was very successful.

Council Member Taylor said there was a fence around Marathon and assumed the small buildings would be demolished.

Mr. Woods said that had been under discussion but did not know if a demolition permit had been issued yet.

COUNCIL MEMBER CONKLIN– Council Member Conklin requested information on setting up a tour of Stapleton.

Council Member Conklin had volunteered for a CML committee studying water issues. She would make a report after the first meeting.

MAYOR PRO TEM KOERNIG – Mayor Pro Tem Koernig was proud of how the Town Hall Arts Center had addressed their financial situation. The production of Annie had sold out and THAC was doing remarkably well.

COUNCIL MEMBER CRONENBERGER – Absent

- (d) **MAYOR OSTERMILLER** – Absent
 - (e) **DRCOG** – Council Member Taylor said adopting major plans would be discussed this month and he anticipated a long session.
13. **ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Koernig adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 2005.

Julie K. Bower
City Clerk/Recording Secretary