

**Regular Meeting of the General Services Committee  
Held in the Roswell Convention Center  
January 27, 2021**

***Notice of this meeting was given to the public in compliance with Sections 10-15-1 through 10-15-4 NMSA 1978 and Resolution 20-26.***

**ROLL CALL**

The meeting convened at 4:35 p.m. with Chairman Foster presiding; Councilors Best and Moore present and Councilor Oropesa being absent.

Staff Present: Juan Fuentes, Andrea Cole, Jim Burress, Trent Moore, Abraham Chaparro, Debbie Reyer, Juanita Jennings, Enid Costley, Caroline Brooks, Joe Neeb

Guests Present: Bert Eldridge

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor Best moved to approve the January 27, 2021 regular General Services Committee meeting agenda as presented. Councilor Moore was the second. A voice vote was 3-0 and the motion passed with Councilor Oropesa being absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Councilor Best moved to approve the October 28, 2020 General Services Committee meeting minutes. Councilor Moore was the second. A voice vote was 3-0 and the motion passed with Councilor Oropesa being absent.

**ACTION ITEM(S)**

2. Discussion of Spring River Zoo Fees. Mr. Fuentes presented the item for discussion on behalf of Mayor Kintigh. Ms. Cole, Mr. Burress and Ms. Jennings answered questions from the committee regarding Resolution No. 20-72 and the fee structure that was established for the Spring River Zoo. The fees are scheduled to go into effect on March 1, 2021 and any changes would cause a delay in the implementation. No action was taken.
3. Discussion and consideration of approval of two concepts for McBride Veterans Cemetery. Mr. Chaparro presented the request for approval for two design concepts of improvements to the McBride Veterans Cemetery: cover for military honor guard and a helicopter memorial, which would be funded by Grant 19-D2950. Mr. Eldridge spoke on behalf of the veterans group in approval of the proposal and answered questions from the committee. Councilor Best moved to approve to send to full City Council the approval of two concepts for McBride Veterans Cemetery. Councilor Moore was the second. A voice vote was 3-0 and the motion passed with Councilor Oropesa being absent.

## **NON-ACTION ITEM(S)**

4. Facility Department Carpenter Park Project Update. Mr. Chaparro presented information on the progress of the construction of the splash pad at Carpenter Park, as well as other upgrades and amenities that will be a part of the project. Mr. Chaparro and Mr. Neeb answered questions from the committee.
  
5. Spring River Zoo Grand Opening Update. Mr. Burress and Ms. Jennings presented a report on the reopening of the Spring River Zoo after being closed for 10 months, as well as future plans for guest services in the zoo. \$209.69 was collected in the donation tubes on opening weekend and \$88.69 was collected specifically for Alexis the elk's exhibit.

## **CHAIR COMMENTS, REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ms. Reyer spoke about the Bulk Trash event put on by the Solid Waste department on January 23, 2021. The amount of trash collected was 117 tons through residents dropping off loads and grappler trucks servicing the city during the day. Over 100 vehicles came through and 20 city employees worked the event.

## **ADJOURNED**

The meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.