

Special Meeting
July 15, 2011



City Council
of the
City of Las Cruces

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July 15, 2011
1:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, City Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT:

STAFF:

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| 14 Mayor Ken Miyagishima | Robert Garza, City Manager |
| 15 Councillor Miguel Silva, District 1 | Harry (Pete) Connelly, City Attorney |
| 16 Councillor Dolores Connor, District 2 | Esther Martinez, City Clerk |
| 17 Councillor Olga Pedroza, District 3 | |
| 18 Councillor Nathan Small, District 4 (via telephone) | |
| 19 Councillor Gill Sorg, District 5 | |
| 20 Councillor Sharon Thomas, District 6 | |

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23 Mayor Miyagishima called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Alliance.

27 Councillor Connor Moved to Allow Councillor Small to participate in the meeting via telephone and
28 Councillor Sorg Seconded the motion.

32 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Allow Councillor Small to participate in the
33 meeting via telephone and it was Unanimously APPROVED. 7-0

37 I. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST INQUIRY BY MAYOR AS REQUIRED BY LCMC**
38 **SECTION 2-27(E)(2).** *At the opening of each council meeting, the chairperson shall ask*
39 *if any member of the city council, city manager, or any member of the city staff has any*
40 *known conflict of interest with any item on the agenda.*

42 Mayor Miyagishima asked if anyone had any conflicts with anything on the agenda?

1 None given.

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5 **II. ORDINANCE FOR DISCUSSION/ADOPTION**

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- 7 1. Council Bill No. 12-004; Ordinance No. 2626: An Ordinance Authorizing a Real Estate
8 Purchase Agreement Between the United States of America and City of Las Cruces, for the
9 Sale of 15 Acres of Municipally Owned Land in the West Mesa Industrial Park for the
10 Purchase Price of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000.00) in Accordance with
11 Provisions of LCMC 1997, Section 2-1312.

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13 Councillor Sorg Moved to Adopt Council Bill No. 12-004; Ordinance No. 2626 and Councillor
14 Thomas Seconded the motion.

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18 Christine Logan, Economic Development Administrator gave an overhead presentation and said the
19 proposal before you is for 15 acres in the West Mesa Industrial Park. The proposed use of the
20 property is to develop a Army Reserve Training Center which would serve 200 members. It would
21 include classroom space, administrative space, a library, and fitness area. The reason we called a
22 special meeting for this item is because they must commit the funds for this project by the end of
23 business today. The City would have to do a replat for this property because it is currently two lots
24 and we need to have it as one lot. The City has a standard agreement form and they also have a
25 standard agreement form which both are included in you packet but because of that we are asking
26 that Council amend this Ordinance to state "the City will execute any documents deemed necessary
27 by the Purchaser which Purchaser requires to accomplish the purposed agreement". I want to
28 mention that both agreements have the same terms and conditions but there is some different
29 terminology and structure to them.

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31 Councillor Sorg said the purchase price is set at \$40,000 per acre and there is a street in front of it
32 named Rea Boulevard which is a completed street but Advancement Avenue is not; correct?

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34 Christine Logan said that is correct. The Army will be accessing the property through Rea Boulevard
35 so the City has no requirement to develop or extend Advancement Avenue at this time.

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37 Councillor Silva asked are we looking at 200 new people moving to Las Cruces?

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39 Brian Cash, Army Corp of Engineers said these will be brand new units that are being recruited into
40 the Army Reserve. There will be two units and one of them has about 177 individuals and the other
41 one has about 22 or 23 individuals and there will be about 15 full time personnel.

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2 Councillor Pedroza said the land will be used for exercises and there will be transportation of troops
3 which will create a lot of dust; how will that be taken care of?

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5 Brian Cash said generally there isn't a lot of moving in and out but all the roads will be paved.

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7 Councillor Sorg said I assume the contractor for the construction of this facility will submit a dust
8 control plan; correct?

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10 Brian Cash said we will comply with all the regulations.

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14 Councillor Connor Moved to Amend Council Bill No. 12-004; Ordinance No. 2626 to state that the
15 City will execute any documents deemed necessary by the Purchaser which Purchaser requires to
16 accomplish the purposed agreement and Councillor Small Seconded the motion.

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20 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Amend Council Bill No. 12-004; Ordinance
21 No. 2626 to state that the City will execute any documents deemed necessary by the Purchaser which
22 Purchaser requires to accomplish the purposed agreement and it was Unanimously APPROVED. 7-0

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26 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Adopt Council Bill No. 12-004; Ordinance
27 No. 2626 as Amended and it was Unanimously APPROVED. 7-0

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31 **Meeting Adjourned at 1:20 p.m.**