



City Council  
of the  
City of Las Cruces

Regular Meeting

February 4, 2013  
1:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, City Hall

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**STAFF:**

- 14 Mayor Ken Miyagishima
- 15 Councillor Miguel Silva, District 1
- 16 Councillor Greg Smith, District 2
- 17 Councillor Olga Pedroza, District 3
- 18 Councillor Nathan Small, District 4
- 19 Councillor Gill Sorg, District 5
- 20 Councillor Sharon Thomas, District 6

- Robert Garza, City Manager
- Harry (Pete) Connelly, City Attorney
- Esther Martinez-Carrillo, City Clerk

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**I. OPENING CEREMONIES**

25 Mayor Miyagishima called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence. Councillor Sorg  
26 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

28 Roy Hynes sang the National Anthem.

30 Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation/Proclamations.

32 Mayor Miyagishima and a representative from the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley  
33 presented the Pet of the Week.

35 Mayor Miyagishima presented the Mayor's Distinguished Service Award to the El Paso Electric  
36 Company which was accepted by Tom Shockley.

38 Mayor Miyagishima and Councillor Sorg presented Certificates of Recognition to the Las Cruces  
39 Bulldawg Football Team for winning the State Championship.

41 Councillor Sorg presented a Proclamation to La Vonne Muniz and declared February 2013 as Black  
42 History Month.

1 Councillor Sorg presented a Proclamation to Nancy Joy and declared February 10 thru February 16,  
2 2013 as David Armam Week.

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4 Councillor Sorg presented a Proclamation to Dr. Gilbert and declared February 8, 2013 as Bright Star  
5 Dental Dentistry from the Heart Day.

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

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

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17 Mayor Miyagishima said regarding the Labor Board appointment, I don't think it is a conflict but  
18 I insure Phil Benson.

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22 **III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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24 Sandy Miles, Member of the Public said I am on the Friends of the Library Board and I'd like to  
25 invite you to our Volunteer Celebration on Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. in the Roadrunner  
26 Room of the Library.

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30 **IV. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: THOSE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INDICATED BY**  
31 **AN ASTERISK (\*) ARE ON THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE VOTED ON**  
32 **BY ONE MOTION.**

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34 Mayor Miyagishima said Items 5, 6 and 8 need to be removed from the Consent Agenda for  
35 discussion..

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39 Councillor Sorg Moved to Approve the Agenda as Amended and Councillor Thomas Seconded the  
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2 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Approve the Agenda as Amended and it was  
3 Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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7 **V. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

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- 9 \*(1) Regular Meeting of January 7, 2013
- 10 \*(2) Special Meeting of January 14, 2013
- 11 \*(3) Regular Meeting of January 22, 2013
- 12 \*(4) Special Meeting of January 29, 2013

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16 **VI. RESOLUTION(S) AND/OR ORDINANCE(S) FOR CONSENT AGENDA**

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- 18 \*(7) Resolution No. 13-112: A Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Community  
19 Development Block Grant Agreement Between the City of Las Cruces and Tierra Del Sol  
20 Housing Corporation for the Low-Income Senior Roof Repair/Replacement Program.

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24 **VII. RESOLUTION(S) AND/OR ORDINANCE(S) FOR DISCUSSION**

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- 26 \*(5) Resolution No. 13-110: A Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 63 and House Bill 49 Which  
27 Amend the Space Flight Informed Consent Act.

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29 Councillor Smith Moved to Approve Resolution No. 13-110 and Councillor Sorg Seconded the  
30 motion.

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34 Councillor Sorg said we need to make an amendment to correct this resolution.

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36 Robert Garza, City Manager said this resolution was for your support for these bills which were  
37 pending at that time but since that time there is a new Senate Bill 240 and there is a companion to  
38 it which is House Bill 308 so these two new Bills need to substitute the Bills that are listed in this  
39 resolution.

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2 Councillor Smith Moved to Amend Resolution No. 13-110 to include Senate Bill 240 and House Bill  
3 308 in the title and Senate Bill 240 and House Bill 308 in paragraph one and Councillor Sorg  
4 Seconded the motion.

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8 Esther Martinez, City Clerk said I do want to clarify that the packet for this resolution does include  
9 Senate Bill 63 and House Bill 49 but we are substituting those two Bills with Senate Bill 240 and  
10 House Bill 308 in the title and in paragraph roman numeral one.

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14 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Amend Resolution No. 13-110 to include  
15 Senate Bill 240 and House Bill 308 in the title and Senate Bill 240 and House Bill 308 in paragraph  
16 one and it was Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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20 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Approve Resolution No. 13-110 as  
21 Amended and it was Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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25 \*(6) Resolution No. 13-111: A Resolution Amending Sections of the City's Home Rehabilitation  
26 Handbook Related to Various Aspects of Home Rehabilitation and the Mobile Home Utility  
27 Upgrade Programs.

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29 Councillor Silva Moved to Approve Resolution No. 13-111 and Councillor Sorg Seconded the  
30 motion.

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34 Councillor Silva said regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> WHEREAS, I understand what you are trying to do but I think  
35 the language needs to be tightened up. On page 17 it states that it is not to exceed \$15,000 and not  
36 subject to the funding limits established and then it talks about \$25,000; so a person can go to  
37 \$40,000, is that correct?

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39 Ray Sartin, Housing Development Coordinator said no sir. Our base price for weatherization is  
40 \$15,000 and in cases where a family has construction problems that require things like insulation in  
41 a flat roof then we would have to either get to it through the top which means we'd have to replace  
42 the roof or get to it through the bottom and in doing this we'd might encounter other issues like

1 electrical issues. We want to be able to include all the possible problems we might find within the  
2 weatherization grant.

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4 Councillor Silva said the changes occurred in number two where it goes from \$5,000 to \$10,000;  
5 right?

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7 Ray Sartin said all the projects we do are allowed as grants and we made increases to all of them to  
8 allow for the greater needs of the homes.

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10 Councillor Silva said so \$10,000 is the minimum and \$25,000 maximum; correct?

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12 Ray Sartin said yes, \$25,000 maximum for a grant.

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14 Councillor Silva said the reason I want to make an amendment is because we are talking about  
15 individual construction projects and I'd hate for future Councils to reinterpret that as individual  
16 projects like the one we did last week.

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20 Councillor Silva Moved to Amend Resolution No. 13-111 to strike the 4<sup>th</sup> WHEREAS and replace  
21 it with "WHEREAS, the amendments will provide intra-departmental flexibility to fund individual  
22 projects in achieving the goals of the Home Rehabilitation Program;" and Councillor Small  
23 Seconded the motion.

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27 Councillor Small said I'd like to get staff's opinion on this amendment.

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29 Ray Sartin said it is always helpful to clarify the language.

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33 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Amend Resolution No. 13-111 to strike the  
34 4<sup>th</sup> WHEREAS and replace it with "WHEREAS, the amendments will provide intra-departmental  
35 flexibility to fund individual projects in achieving the goals of the Home Rehabilitation Program;"  
36 and it was Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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\*(8) Resolution No. 12-13-374: A Resolution Authorizing a Contract Between the City of Las Cruces and Warren Construction, Inc., of Las Cruces, New Mexico, for the Construction of the Roadrunner Transit Maintenance Facility Expansion for the Contract Sum of \$186,438.69, Plus an Allowance of \$14,099.43, for New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax, and an Authorized Change Order Contingency of \$20,461.88; for a Total Project Authorization of \$221,000.00.

Councillor Thomas Moved to Approve Resolution No. 12-13-374 and Councillor Small Seconded the motion.

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Councillor Silva said I thought this was a different project so I withdraw any of my questions.

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Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Approve Resolution No. 12-13-374 and it was Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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(9) Resolution No. 12-13-301: A Resolution Authorizing a Contract Between the City of Las Cruces and Williams Design Group for Design of the East Mesa Public Safety Facility for the Contract Sum of \$837,550.00, Plus an Allowance of \$63,339.72 for Gross Receipts Tax, and an Authorized Change Order Contingency of \$50,000.00; for a Total Contract Authorization of \$950,889.72.

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Councillor Small Moved to Approve Resolution No. 12-13-301 and Councillor Thomas Seconded the motion.

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Eric Martin, Facilities Management Director gave an overhead presentation and said we advertised this project last summer and we received ten proposals of which the highest rated firm was the Williams Design Group. If this resolution is approved then the designing will start in March and we anticipate having the construction documents available in May 2014. The scope of services will be the evaluation of the architectural, engineering, and landscape design services. This is about a 350 acre site which is BLM property and a space needs assessment will need to be conducted for both Fire and Police staffing and operations. A site analysis will need to be done to include drainage, traffic flow, building location, environmental considerations and an on-site renewable energy integration will be in the final design.

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2 Councillor Pedroza asked in future if the County should pick the East Mesa location for the MVRDA  
3 site, would that impact these figures?

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5 Eric Martin said these figures are just for the main building but it is going to be left open for  
6 changes. So if this site was selected for the MVRDA site then that could be incorporated.

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8 Councillor Small asked what is the time-frame for the recreation and public purposes lease; and  
9 being successful with that is key to moving this project forward; correct?

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11 Eric Martin said that is correct. At this time we are trying to get the construction documents  
12 completed by late spring or early summer of 2014 to coincide with what we anticipate to be the  
13 approval of that lease.

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15 Robert Garza said this is to award an architectural design contract which is the beginning of the  
16 creation process and lots of other decisions will have to be made so we will be bringing other things  
17 back before Council. We don't intend to design based on the budget, we intend to design based on  
18 the need so as that design unfolds we will be back before you several times.

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20 Councillor Smith said I look forward to seeing this process move forward and I have great  
21 confidence in Mr. Williams and his group with their capabilities in doing a great job but I also desire  
22 to see charrettes and other public input opportunities take place.

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24 Ron Camuñez, Member of the Public said regarding MVRDA, there has been a lot of controversy  
25 with this site because it doesn't have a line of site and it's too hilly so the concerns I have are that  
26 there isn't cooperation between the City and County to really look at all the issues.

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30 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Approve Resolution No. 12-13-301 and it  
31 was Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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35 (10) Council Bill No. 13-021; Ordinance No. 2676: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change  
36 from M1 (Industrial Standard) and R3 (Multi-Dwelling Medium Density) to a Planned Unit  
37 Development (PUD) 8.01± Acres of Land Located at 999 W. Amador Avenue: Parcel ID #  
38 02-29653. The Request for a PUD Includes a Concept Plan and General Site Plan. Submitted  
39 by Nicole Martinez, Director of Mesilla Valley Community of Hope; City of Las Cruces  
40 Property Owner (PUD-12-02).

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1 Councillor Thomas Moved to Adopt Council Bill No. 13-021; Ordinance No. 2676 and Councillor  
2 Sorg Seconded the motion.

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6 Robert Garza, City Manager said this has not be sufficiently advertised so staff is asking that we  
7 postpone this item until your next meeting which will held on February 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.

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11 Councillor Smith Moved to Postpone Council Bill No. 13-021; Ordinance No. 2676 until February  
12 19, 2013 and Councillor Small Seconded the motion.

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16 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Postpone Council Bill No. 13-021;  
17 Ordinance No. 2676 until February 19, 2013 and it was Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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21 **VIII. BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

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23 Mayor Miyagishima reappointed Chris Cruz, Tamara Neal, Marla Ridgway, and Kari L. Shepan to  
24 the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee.

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28 Councillor Thomas Moved to Approve the Mayor's board reappointments of Chris Cruz, Tamara  
29 Neal, Marla Ridgway, and Kari L. Shepan to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee and Councillor Small  
30 Seconded the motion.

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34 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Approve the Mayor's board reappointments  
35 of Chris Cruz, Tamara Neal, Marla Ridgway, and Kari L. Shepan to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee and  
36 it was Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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40 Mayor Miyagishima appointed Philip Benson to the Labor Management Relations Board.

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1 Councillor Thomas Moved to Approve the Mayor’s board appointment of Philip Benson to the Labor  
2 Management Relations Board and Councillor Small Seconded the motion.

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6 Mayor Miyagishima called for the roll on the Motion to Approve the Mayor’s board appointment  
7 of Philip Benson to the Labor Management Relations Board and it was Unanimously Approved. 7-0

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11 **IX. NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE(S) ----- 1.) *There will be no public discussion.***  
12 **2.) *A councillor may ask staff for clarification on the proposed ordinance(s).***

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14 None given.

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18 **X. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER BOARD REPORTS** DRAFT

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24 **XI. GENERAL DISCUSSION**

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26 a.) Mayor

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28 Mayor Miyagishima said I want to remind everyone that my annual State of the City Address will  
29 be held here on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 p.m.

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33 b.) City Council

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35 Councillor Thomas said I would like an update on our policy for the use of our recreational facilities  
36 by employees and retirees.

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38 Robert Garza, City Manager said there were some former employees who thought there was a policy  
39 that would allow them to use the facilities at no cost so I looked into it and we were unable to find  
40 any past policies, rules or regulations that would enable that type of thing; and if that type of policy  
41 was in place, it would violate the anti-donation constitution. We do have our Wellness Program in  
42 place which allows current employees to use different programs and services that we have available  
43 but that is part of our benefits package for our employees.

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2 Councillor Thomas said I am getting a lot of emails regarding the registration fee for alarm systems  
3 and I explained to them that the \$25 per year is to help us manage the actual service.

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5 Robert Garza said the \$25 fee isn't actually a new fee, we had a previous alarm ordinance that had  
6 a \$5 registration requirement but we weren't enforcing that ordinance which is why we brought  
7 forward that amendment to that ordinance.

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9 Chief Williams, LCPD said in coming up with the schedule they tried to use a very reasonable  
10 amount so the \$25 per year is enough to sustain the program and we will be looking at this again in  
11 a year.

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13 Chief Brown, LCFD said included in that \$25 fee is two free false alarms so they won't be penalized  
14 until there is a third false alarm.

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16 Councillor Thomas said so if they aren't registered and they have a false alarm then they can be  
17 penalized.

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19 Chief Brown said if they have a false alarm and they are not registered then a penalty can be assessed  
20 for failure to register your alarm system.

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22 Council Thomas said I am trying to get some funding to update part of the Regional Transit District  
23 Plan for the community rail portion but it isn't listed in anyone's ICIP so I just wanted people to  
24 know that Senator Steinborn is interested in trying to help fund it and we'll probably need to put it  
25 on the ICIP list for next year.

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29 Councillor Sorg asked what time on the 13<sup>th</sup> is your State of the City Address?

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31 Mayor Miyagishima said 12:15 p.m.

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35 Councillor Small said last week Council chose to fund the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the  
36 issue of affordable housing and workforce housing is something that has been on the top of our  
37 community's mind. I think that funding and the Infill Policy is very exciting and very appreciated.

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39 Regarding the commuter rail, it is a very important opportunity and we should not let that  
40 opportunity go by so I would like to express my support in finding those opportunities.

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1 Regarding the Alameda reconstruction, it was going to begin in mid-December but due to the impact  
2 it would have on the business in that area, it is taking place now. There is still an impact on the  
3 businesses so some of the feedback I have received suggests that we have at least one lane open as  
4 much as possible.

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6 Regarding pedestrian access and complete streets, it is great to have multiple input into it so there  
7 needs to be a work session scheduled to address the effects of reconstruction.

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9 Robert Garza, City Manager said certainly we can have a work session to talk about some strategies  
10 to minimize the impacts.

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12 Councillor Small said I want to compliment Councillor Sorg for bringing forward a resolution in  
13 support of Informed Consent. There is a legislative proposal for a minimum wage hike for the state  
14 and that would be another great opportunity for this Council to get involved with this Legislative  
15 Session.

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17 Robert Garza said we would need to get a consensus from Council for staff to bring forward a  
18 resolution.

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20 Councillor Silva said I think it would be more appropriate to discuss this in a work session before  
21 bringing forward a resolution.

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23 Mayor Miyagishima said we can schedule a work session to discuss it.

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25 Councillor Small said this is time sensitive so we'd need to discuss it at the next work session.

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27 Councillor Pedroza said I am in favor of having a work session.

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29 Mayor Miyagishima said I could support a nationwide increase but when you have just one state that  
30 has an increase then businesses will start looking at other places like El Paso. I do think we need to  
31 have a work session on this issue to explore the pros and cons of it but I wouldn't be in support of  
32 it for this Legislative Session.

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34 Councillor Small said there is a proposal within the State Legislature that was originated by  
35 representatives of this area so the decision is whether there are four Councillors that would support  
36 putting this item on a work session agenda.

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38 Mayor Miyagishima said so you want it put on the work session agenda for next Monday?

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40 Councillor Small said yes.

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42 Robert Garza said I just want to say that staff would only be able to generate what is currently  
43 pending in the Legislature as a presentation to Council at the next work session.

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2 Councillor Small said that would be fine.

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6 Councillor Pedroza said I want to mention that NMSU has a series of events taking place all this  
7 month and you can contact me for a complete list of the events.

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9 I want to say "thank you" to Lisa Murphy or Loretta for getting the work on Triviz and Spruce  
10 completed.

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12 I want to remind everyone that the School Board Election is tomorrow so it is very important that  
13 you get out and vote.

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15 I want to thank the NMSU engineers for working with Nicole Martinez on designing the Community  
16 of Hope.

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18 NMSU is having an economic forecast on February 21<sup>st</sup> from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. at the Health and  
19 Social Services Building.

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21 I want to thank the Reading Foundation and the other community organizations that have put people  
22 to work in Conlee Elementary and Valley View Elementary which are schools in my district.

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24 I find that the Affordable Care Act is extremely difficult to understand so I'd like for us to find  
25 someone to explain it to us at a work session.

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27 Mayor Miyagishima said that is something that applies to businesses with 50 or more full-time  
28 employees and they don't offer them health insurance so then they'd have to pay a penalty.

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30 Councillor Pedroza said there are still a lot of questions that I have and I know several of my  
31 constituents would benefit from having an explanation of it.

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33 Mayor Miyagishima said maybe that is something that you could host outside the City realm because  
34 I don't know if we could do that since it is regarding health insurance.

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36 Robert Garza said the challenge would be for us to inject ourselves between an employee and their  
37 provider and not knowing who we should bring in to do it because I don't know who the experts are  
38 regarding that issue.

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40 Councillor Pedroza said I just want to be able to tell people what is coming and what they need to  
41 look at regarding their circumstances.

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1 Mayor Miyagishima said I would suggest that you reach out to either Senator Heinrich or Senator  
2 Udall's office or Congressman Pearce's office since this is a federal issue.

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4 Councillor Pedroza said okay, thank you.

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6 Councillor Small said I just want to mention that Governor Martinez accepted funding for the  
7 expansion of the Medicaid Program.

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11 Councillor Smith said the lights on the I-25, I-10 interchange are blinding people on Las Alturas and  
12 there is a desire to see the four-way stop continued on Stern, Cholla and Broadmoor. Also, regarding  
13 the engine braking on the freeway, apparently we can make a request to the New Mexico Department  
14 of Transportation to maybe get signs up or something to help reduce the number of engine brakings  
15 that are occurring in that area.

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17 I want to mention that Representative James White of District 20 has been working in the House on  
18 the Inform Consent so he also deserves a lot of credit.

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20 Regarding the minimum wage issue, I do think that it would be helpful to have a work session on  
21 that item.

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23 I want to congratulate both our Fire and Police Departments on the recognition they received at the  
24 Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Friday night.

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28 Councillor Silva said I do feel a work session is appropriate for the discussion of the minimum wage  
29 issue because it will not only affect business but also non-profits and ultimately it will affect the  
30 public.

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32 Regarding the \$200,000 that we put in the Trust Bank, that is specifically for the Tierra Del Sol  
33 project; correct? We didn't add any funding for a revolving loan; did we?

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35 Robert Garza, City Manager said the \$200,000 that was put there was done as a pledge to be made  
36 as matching funds if they received the credits.

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38 Councillor Silva said I have had some requests for funding from the Las Cruces Community Theater,  
39 from Michael Hayes with the Brown Farm, and from the Health and Human Services Advisory  
40 Committee.

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1 In terms of the Alameda construction, I had two of the businesses in that area contact me and one  
2 of them is considering relocating and the other one wants to relocate but they own the property. We  
3 might want to host a meeting with the businesses in that area to consider having something like the  
4 construction done during the nighttime hours and to discuss the other issues.

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6 We will be having some impact fee conversations taking place on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at the  
7 Community Extension Center which is located at 125 Main Street and it will be from 6:00 to 7:30  
8 p.m. and Councillor Sorg will also be present.

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10 Mayor Miyagishima said I just want to caution you and Councillor Sorg to just take input and not  
11 prejudice because we will be having some resolutions coming forward that you might have to recuse  
12 yourself from voting on because you've already taken a public position on them.

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16 Councillor Small said any money allocated from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, at least 50%  
17 of that money is done as a loan; correct?

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19 Robert Garza, City Manager said correct.

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21 Councillor Small said I agree that there should be a very detailed look at potentially increasing  
22 funding for the Affordable and Workforce Housing Fund but we have to know that any money  
23 allocated from that fund would have at least 50% of it done as a loan so it can help fund future  
24 projects.

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26 There are some projects like the Brown Farm that aren't currently on the ICIP list so I think we  
27 should have a Council meeting to potentially look at additional projects for the ICIP list.

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29 Robert Garza said regarding Brown Farm, we pursued funding for that at the last Legislative Session  
30 but it was vetoed by the Governor so we don't need to have the words "Brown Farm" in our Capital  
31 Improvements Plan because we were able to use our Flood Control funds for some of the arroyo  
32 enhancements; so it is already in our ICIP.

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34 Councillor Small said maybe we should take a look at these other projects and see if they fall under  
35 projects that are currently on our ICIP; is that fair?

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37 Robert Garza said yes, that's fair.

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39 Mayor Miyagishima said regarding Councillor Silva's request for a work session regarding  
40 increasing the funding, I'm willing to have a work session but I want to say that I think our fund has  
41 performed better than usual this year so I'm willing to take a look at what we have historically  
42 received as far as interest and maybe give that additional amount to it.

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2 Councillor Silva said I think they'd appreciate any discussion on this topic.  
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4 Councillor Thomas said we do have other non-profit groups that provide a lot of services to the City  
5 and when we've done the budget I don't think we've taken a look at these other non-profits so I think  
6 it would be useful to have a work session to discuss all the groups that help us.  
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8 Mayor Miyagishima said we were going to look at increasing the amount that goes to the Health and  
9 Human Services so the other various groups can still apply to that committee.  
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11 Robert Garza said there are a few agencies that we allocate funding to through our budget process  
12 and there are many other organizations but they aren't willing to have their books done through us  
13 or give us that information.  
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15 Councillor Thomas said it would just be nice to get an overview of all the organizations and how we  
16 are funding things.  
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18 Robert Garza said we certainly can try to put a list together because I'm sure one doesn't currently  
19 exist.  
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21 Councillor Pedroza said I also would be interested in seeing that list.  
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25 c.) City Manager  
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27 Robert Garza, City Manager said there is a Joint Work Session here tomorrow at 1:00 p.m. with  
28 the Las Cruces Public Schools. We will be discussing three items which are School Siting,  
29 School Safety and Joint Facility Uses.  
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31 We finally have our work session arena in place with the additional microphones and the  
32 additional camera in place so our next work session will be in that arena. I want to thank our  
33 Facilities, PIO and IT staff for jumping in and making this possible.  
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37 **Meeting Adjourned at 3:33 p.m.**