

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2021 CITY OF LAS ANIMAS BUDGET**

Mayor Jim Collins opened the public hearing regarding the 2021 City of Las Animas Budget at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Collins asked if there were any comments from the community or the City Councilors concerning the final draft of the 2021 budget. After a 47 minute comment session, with no citizen or Councilor comment, Mayor Jim Collins closed the public hearing.

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

The City Council of the City of Las Animas, County of Bent, State of Colorado, met in regular session in the City Council chambers on Tuesday, December 08, 2020, at 7:03 p.m. the City Council Meeting was hosted by zoom. There being present at roll call were the following members:

Mayor:	Jim Collins
Council members:	Troy Abdulla
	David Armstrong
	Terry Kim
	Kimberlie King
	Cassandra Siefkas
	Robert Sonny Smith

Youth Advisor:	Phoebe Frausto
Senior Advisor:	Sonora Servaes

Mayor Jim Collins declared a quorum present.

Others Present:

Greg Champney:	Las Animas Code Enforcement Officer
Ronald Clodfelter:	Superintendent of Light & Power
Allen Satra:	Interested Citizen
Charmaine Tripp:	City Clerk & Treasurer
Samuel Vigil:	City Attorney
Ken Wagner:	Public Works Director

Other Citizens joining on zoom

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Jim Collins led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to approve the consent agenda along with the minutes of the November 10, 2020 Regular City Council meeting and the November 2020 vouchers contingent on review from the City Councilors. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:** a. Allen Satra, Potential New Business Owner

Mayor Jim Collins recognized Mr. Allen Satra, Potential New Business Owner. Mr. Satra addressed the City Council about a potential business site to be located at 104 Bent Ave. Mr. Satra explained that he wants to start a business creating edible products and marijuana infused products. The business would be a wholesale business and would not be selling to the general public. Mayor Jim Collins thanked Mr. Satra for his presentation and stated that his request would be taken under consideration.

**PUBLIC WORKS BOARD REPORT**

Councilman Terry Kim moved, Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas seconded to forgive the water surcharge in the amount of \$48.38 for Christopher Martinez at 704 Cottonwood Ave. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 725, AN AMENDED APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, FOR THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2021 AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2021**

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to adopt on second reading and have published in its entirety in the Bent County Democrat newspaper ORDINANCE NO. 725, AN AMENDED APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, FOR THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2021 AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2021. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**TRAILER PERMIT REQUEST FROM LAURA LEBARGE**

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilwoman Kimberlie King seconded to table the trailer permit until the January 12, 2021 meeting. On a voice vote, with Councilman Troy Abdulla abstaining from the vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-20, A RESOLUTION LEVYING GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2020 TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, FOR THE 2021 BUDGET YEAR**

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilman Terry Kim seconded to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 10-20, A RESOLUTION LEVYING GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2020 TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, FOR THE 2021 BUDGET YEAR. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-20, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2021 BUDGET FOR INCOME AND EXPENDITURES OF ALL FUNDS**

Councilman Terry Kim moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 11-20, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2021 BUDGET FOR INCOME AND EXPENDITURES OF ALL FUNDS. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-20, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT ROLL DATED DECEMBER 08, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF SAME TO THE BENT COUNTY TREASURER**

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilwoman Kimberlie King seconded to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 12-20, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT ROLL DATED DECEMBER 08, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF SAME TO THE BENT COUNTY TREASURER. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-20, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT ROLL DATED DECEMBER 08, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF SAME TO THE BENT COUNTY TREASURER**

Councilman Terry Kim moved, Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas seconded to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 13-20, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT ROLL DATED DECEMBER 08, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF SAME TO THE BENT COUNTY TREASURER. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 14-20, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT ROLL DATED DECEMBER 08, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF SAME TO THE BENT COUNTY TREASURER**

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilman Terry Kim seconded to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 14-20, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT ROLL DATED DECEMBER 08, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF SAME TO THE BENT COUNTY TREASURER. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-20, A RESOLUTION MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE SALES TAX DEVELOPMENT FUND AND THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2020**

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilwoman Kimberlie King seconded to approve RESOLUTION NO. 15-20, A RESOLUTION MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE SALES TAX DEVELOPMENT FUND AND THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2020. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF REPORT OF CHANGES FOR TORRES SPORTS BAR**

Councilwoman Kimberlie King moved, Councilman Terry Kim moved to approve the report of changes for the Torres Sports Bar. On a voice vote Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**FIRST READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 726, AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-2317 OF ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 7 AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITION OF SECTION 7-2318 TO THE LAS ANIMAS MUNICIPAL CODE**

Councilwoman Kimberlie King moved, Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas seconded to adopt on first reading and have published in its entirety in the Bent County Democrat newspaper ORDINANCE NO. 726, AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-2317 OF ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 7 AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITION OF SECTION 7-2318 TO THE LAS ANIMAS MUNICIPAL CODE. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion failed.

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilwoman Kimberlie King seconded to adopt on first reading and have published in its entirety in the Bent County Democrat newspaper ORDINANCE NO. 726, AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-2317 OF ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 7 AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITION OF SECTION 7-2318 TO THE LAS ANIMAS MUNICIPAL CODE with the amendment that the businesses will be located in the business district downtown and that wholesale and marijuana cultivation is allowed outside the business district with a special review. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF 334 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

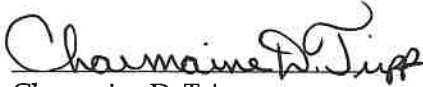
Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman Troy Abdulla seconded to approve the sale of 334 6<sup>th</sup> Street in the amount of \$15,000.00 with the stipulation that a timeline of 1 year or less be set to start construction and that the building would not be destroyed. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None


**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNED**

Mayor Jim Collins declared the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

  
Charmaine D. Tripp  
City Clerk & Treasurer

ATTEST:

  
Jim Collins, Mayor