

**AGENDA**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY OF LAS ANIMAS**  
**September 13, 2022**  
**7:00 P. M.**

**REGULAR MEETING:**

1. Roll Call Swearing in of Councilmember Joseph Frazier to Ward 3, Precinct 8
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of the consent Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 9, 2022 and the Agenda, Disposition of August vouchers  
Minutes, Approval of vouchers
4. Citizen Participation:
  - a. Karen Van Egmond-Request to change the penalty date on the LAMU utility bills.
  - b. Amanda Leck-Updates
5. City Clerk Charmaine Tripp
6. Superintendent of Light and Power Ron Clodfelter
7. Director of Public Works Wyatt Dowell-Interim Director
8. Code Officer Greg Champney
9. Youth Advisor Grace Gardner
10. BC Development Foundation Director
11. City Council Member Reports
12. Mayor Scott Peterson
13. **General Business**
  - a. Recommendation from the hiring committee for the Public Works Director
  - b. Recommendation from the Planning Commission and possible approval of the Special Review Use Application from La Pansa food trailer
  - c. Possible approval of the liquor license renewal application for VFW Post 2411
  - d. Possible Appointment of Lillie Mae Trujillo to the Tourism, Arts and Culture Committee
  - e. Resolution No. 21-22, a Resolution of the City of Las

Animas, Colorado Adopting the Uniform Election Code of 1992 in lieu of the Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965 in Order to Participate in a Coordinated Election in Bent County on November 8, 2022

- f. Resolution no. 22-22, a Resolution of the City of Las Animas, Colorado Ratifying an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Bent County Clerk & Recorder to Participate in the November 8, 2022 Election
- g. Resolution No. 23-22, a Resolution of the City of Las Animas, Colorado Ratifying the Execution of a Legal Services Agreement and Appointing Hayes, Poznanovic, and Korver, LLC. as Special Counsel on water related issues.
- h. Resolution No. 24-22, a Resolution of the City of Las Animas, Colorado Approving a Code of Ethical Conduct for City Officers

a. None

**Public Hearings**

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15 Unfinished Business

Discussion of Code Enforcement Officer

16 New Business

Discussion of a City Police Force

17 For Your Information

August Council Proceedings  
August Public Works Report  
August Light & Power Report  
August City Clerk's Report  
Paint & Connect Report

## **Mission Statement**

The City Council representing the City of Las Animas strives to promote and improve our quality of life, enhance our sense of community, and preserve the integrity of our small town heritage.

## **Commitment(s)**

We are committed to providing excellence in services for all citizens, businesses, and visitors through constant improvement and determination. We strive to sustain the public trust through open and responsive government, and we encourage public participation from our citizens and businesses.

## **Vision**

Las Animas is a close knit community with a significant history of hard working families and friends who believe strongly in successes that are achieved through teamwork, faith, and dedication to each other.

## **Values Statements**

We believe that service to the public is our reason for being and strive to deliver quality services in a highly professional, cost-effective, and efficient manner.

We believe that fiscal responsibility and the prudent stewardship of public funds is essential for citizen confidence in government.

We believe that ethics and integrity are the foundation blocks of public trust and confidence and that all meaningful relationships are built on these values.

We believe that the very essence of leadership is to be visionary and to plan for the future.

We believe that in order to 'make things happen' for the city we must be both proactive and progressive in the setting of goals and implementation of our plans.

We believe that continuous improvement is the mark of professionalism and are committed to applying this principle to the services we offer and the development of our employees.

We believe that the public is best served when departments and employees work cooperatively as a team rather than at cross purposes.

We believe that positive relations with the community and public we serve leads to positive, involved, and active citizens.

## **Strategic Plan Focus Areas**

Safety and Security of Citizens  
Economic Development  
Infrastructure Sustainment and Improvement  
Community Involvement and Engagement  
Fiscal Responsibility and Transparency

## **Housekeeping Rules**

The regular meeting of the Las Animas City Council convenes in the Council Chambers which is located in the City Hall at 532 Carson Ave at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month. Because the Council desires to hear the viewpoints of all citizens and needs to conduct its business in an orderly and efficient manner, members of the public wishing to speak under the "Public Participation section of the Agenda must complete the sign-up sheet provided. Members of the public will not speak until called upon, and are asked to limit their comments to three minutes. In public session, the Council will not hear personal comments on personnel and staff connected with the City of Las Animas.

### **Consent Agenda**

Is a list of action items which the Council proposes to adopt with one motion and vote. All members must agree to the items on the consent calendar, and if any one member disagrees the proposed action is taken off the consent calendar and dealt with individually.

### **How to get on the Agenda**

Persons wishing to be added as a formal presentation to the council must submit the following in writing to the City Clerk no later than noon on the Wednesday preceding the meeting. The written notification to the City Clerk shall include:

- 1) Topic to be discussed;
- 2) Estimated time for presentation and discussion;
- 3) Names of all persons to be included in the discussion. The Council delegates to the City Clerk the authority to limit or deny the proposed formal presentation. The Board reserves the right to allocate such time to the presentation as it may deem appropriate.