

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF LAS ANIMAS  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**July 13, 2021**

**7:00 P. M.**

1. Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Consent Agenda, Disposition of Minutes, Approval of Vouchers      Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 8, 2021, the Minutes of the Special Call Meeting on June 10, and June 29, 2021 and the June 2021 vouchers
4. Citizen Participation:
  - a. Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas- Presentation of Certificates of Participation to students who participated in the Paint & Connect project
  - b. Stephanie Gonzales and Michael from SECED-Presentation of the Southeast Colorado Workforce Housing Feasibility Study
  - c. Dennis Mattoon-Title 18 USC issues
5. City Clerk                      Charmaine Tripp
6. Superintendent of Light and Power      Ron Clodfelter
7. Director of Public Works              Kenneth Wagner
8. Code Enforcement              Greg Champney
9. Youth Advisor:                  Phoebe Frausto
- 10 Senior Advisor:                  Sonora Servaes
- 11 City Council:                      Member Reports
- 12 Mayor                              Scott Peterson
  - a. ORDINANCE NO. 727, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO (334 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET)
  - b. RESOLUTION NO. 1-21, A RESOLUTION 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 2, 2021

- c. RESOLUTION NO. 2-21, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO CONCERNING THE IMPOSITION OF AN EXCISE TAX ON THE SALES OF RETAIL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITIES IN THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS; SAID BALLOT QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 2, 2021; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF BALLOT QUESTION FOR SUBMISSION AT SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR CERTIFICATION OF THE ELECTION QUESTION TO THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT THEREOF
- d. RESOLUTION NO. 3-21, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO CONCERNING INCREASING SALES AND USE TAX BY ONE (1) PERCENT TO BE USED FOR RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS; SAID BALLOT QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 2, 2021; PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF BALLOT QUESTION FOR SUBMISSION AT SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR CERTIFICATION OF THE ELECTION QUESTION TO THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT THEREOF
- e. DESIGNATION OF CITY CLERK & TREASURER CHARMAINE D. TRIPP AS THE DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL
- f. POSSIBLE ACTION-APPROVAL OF INVESTMENT IN THE SECED HOUSING PROGRAM
- g. APPROVAL TO ADD JUNETEENTH (JUNE 19) TO THE LIST OF PAID CITY HOLIDAYS

13 Unfinished  
Business:

- a. Mayor Scott Peterson-Discussion of housing project presented by Ivor J. Hill Properties.
- b. City Attorney Samuel Vigil-Discussion of dog Ordinance
- c. Mayor Scot Peterson-discussion of downtown improvements

New Business:

- a. Councilman Terry Kim-Discussion of Curb & Gutter
- b. Councilman Terry Kim-Discussion of possible legalization of marijuana in Lamar

15 Adjournment

16 For Your  
Information:

June Council Proceedings  
June Public Works Report  
June Light & Power Report  
June City Clerk's Report  
June Code Enforcement Report  
Handout materials from SECED

## **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.