CITY COMMISSION
CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, NEW MEXICO
Monday, July 24, 2006
SPECIAL MEETING
Minutes

TIME & PLACE: The Mayor and the City Commission of the City of Truth or Consequences in the County of Sierra and State of New Mexico, met in Special Session in full conformity with the law and ordinances of said Commission in the Commission Chambers of said City, on Monday, July 24, 20076 at 5:30 P.M., to discuss the following:


PRESIDING OFFICER: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Montgomery who presided and Hazel Peterson, Deputy City Clerk acted as Secretary of the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Upon calling the roll the following Commissioners were reported present:

Hon. Lori S. Montgomery, Mayor
Hon. Jerry Stagner, Mayor Pro-tem
Hon. Jimmy Rainey, Commissioner
Hon. Freddie Torres, Commissioner

Absent was:

Hon. Evelyn B. Renfro, Commissioner

Also present:

Jaime Aguilera, City Manager
Ellen Evans, Finance Director
Hazel Peterson, Deputy City Clerk

QUORUM: There being a quorum present the Commission proceeded with the business at hand.

REVIEW FINAL BUDGET FOR FY 2006/2007: Ellen Evans, Finance Director stated that each Commissioner has in their packet a Preliminary, which is the one they originally approved May 31, 2006, and the second packet are the changes that took place from that date.

She stated that most of the changes that took place were because she wasn’t aware of how much grant money they had or how much they were going to get in, and so those figures changed. She stated that wherever that changed it reflected back on the recap and that changed. She stated she just wanted everything to be clear so that the Commission would understand.

She stated that also payroll changed because last years salaries were not calculated exactly correct according to the spreadsheet that she had been working from what the prior director had used. And so when Linda came back from vacation they corrected all of that so the Commission will see some salary changes in there. She stated it’s not that some got more or some got less, it’s just that it wasn’t
reflected correctly, because her spreadsheet was not correct, the one she was using from last year.

Ms. Evans asked if they could put the Recap aside for now, because all the answers on the recap will come from the line items behind.

Mr. Aguilera stated they only included the pages that had changes on them, and Ellen highlighted the changes, which would be the gray mark going across the page.

It was the consensus of the Commission that Ms. Evans go through each page and if they have any questions they would stop her and ask the question.

Ms. Evans began with Page 3 ending with Page 70 explaining each of the changes, and why they occurred.

Discussion ensued where questions arose.

Mr. Aguilera stated that there was an item that they missed putting in the budget the two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the Morgan Street Project. He stated that will be added as a budgeted item.

Explanation and discussion ensued on the Morgan Street Project and its funding.

Commissioner Rainey stated there was one thing not in the budget that they had talked about in earlier meetings. He stated they talked about a fund to build a storage building for solid waste cardboard and other recycling.

Mr. Aguilera stated that what he and the department director had talked about this and agreed that they were going to look for a grant. He stated there are recycling grants and he thinks this is a perfect fit. That the city already has a recycling grant that built most of the plant, so they just need to finish it off with a cover. He stated he thinks they will be able to do that and they will be going after one this year.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVAL: PASSED AND APPROVED this 8th day of August, 2006, on motion duly made by Commissioner , seconded by Commissioner , and carried.