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**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**AGENDA**  
**January 4, 2023**  
**10:00 A.M.**

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**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

1. Closed Session: Pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1, H (2) To Discuss Limited Personnel Matters Related to the Review of Employment Contracts for Appointed Positions
2. Open Session: Motions if any
3. Adjourn Meeting

*The next regular City Council Meeting is scheduled for January 17, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.*

**CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL  
MEETING MINUTES  
January 04, 2023**

**Council Present:**

Benny L. Jasso, Mayor	Joe "Butter" Milo, Councilor
Monica Topham, Mayor Pro Tem	Alex Valdespino, Councilor
Irmaisela "Irma" A. Rodriguez, Councilor	

<b><u>Staff Present:</u></b> Aaron Sera, Administrator	Joe Owen, Fire Chief
Clint Hogan, Chief of Police	Jim Massengill, Public Works Director
Azucena Vargas, Asst. Public Works Director	Adrian Coloma, IT

**Staff Present (Telephonically/Virtually):**

**Recording Secretary:** Mary Jo Valdez, Municipal Clerk

Mayor Jasso called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A ROLL CALL was conducted to verify a quorum:

Councilor Milo	Present
Councilor Valdespino	Present
Councilor Rodriguez	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Topham	Present
Mayor Jasso	Present

**1. Closed Session: Pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1, H(2) To Discuss Limited Personnel Matters Related to the Review of Employment Contracts for Appointed Positions**

Mr. Sera addressed Council stated that during the preparation of budget, a 5% increase was approved for all employees except for Department Heads; they were approved for a 3% increase in hopes that the inflation would improve which has unfortunately not happened. Mr. Sera also explained that there is some other language within the contracts which need to be reviewed and amended. Mayor Jasso asked for a motion to go into closed session.

Councilor Milo made the motion to go into closed session pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1 H(2) to discuss limited personnel matters related to the review of employment contracts for appointed positions; motion second by Councilor Rodriguez; motion carried by the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL VOTE:  
Mayor Pro Tem Topham      Aye  
Councilor Rodriguez      Aye  
Councilor Milo      Aye  
Councilor Valdespino      Aye

**2. Open Session: Motions if any**

Mayor Jasso asked Council for a motion to go into open session.

Councilor Milo made the motion to go into open session; motion second by Mayor Pro Tem Topham; motion carried by the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	
Councilor Valdespino	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Topham	Aye
Councilor Rodriguez	Aye
Councilor Milo	Aye

Mayor Jasso stated for the record that only those items listed were discussed during closed session and asked if Council had any motions.

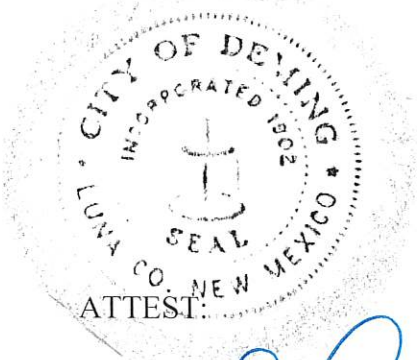
Councilor Valdespino motioned to accept the language amendment to the contracts as discussed and suggested by staff and to allow the Mayor to negotiate contracts; motion second by Councilor Rodriguez; motion carried by the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL VOTE:	
Councilor Milo	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Topham	Aye
Councilor Valdespino	Aye
Councilor Rodriguez	Aye


**3. Adjourn Meeting**


With no further business to discuss, Mayor Jasso entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Councilor Milo motioned to adjourn the meeting; Mayor Pro Tem Topham second the motion; motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.



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