# CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, NEW MEXICO CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 405 W. 3<sup>RD</sup> St. TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017

## A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Green at 9:00 a.m., who presided and Renee Cantin, City Clerk-Treasurer, acted as Secretary of the meeting.

# B. INTRODUCTION 1. ROLL CALL

Upon calling the roll, the following Commissioners were reported present.

Hon. Steve Green, Mayor

Hon. Sandra Whitehead, Mayor Pro-Tem

Hon. Kathy Clark, Commissioner

Hon. Rolf Hechler, Commissioner

Hon. Joshua Frankel, Commissioner

Also Present: Renee Cantin, City Clerk-Treasurer

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

#### 2. SILENT MEDITATION

Commissioner Frankel read a statement to please keep Ronnie Tenorio, the owner of the Sunset Grill and his family in our thoughts and prayers. He was injured at work yesterday morning while preparing to start his business day.

Mayor Green called for fifteen seconds of Silent Meditation.

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Green called for Commissioner Frankel to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

# 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Hechler moved to approve the agenda. Mayor Pro-Tem Whitehead seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

# C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 Minute Rule Applies)

Mayor Green called for Public Comment, noting those wishing to comment would get three minutes, please state your name and address. He also asked all to turn the noise maker off of their cell phones

Jessica Murphy, Bountiful Babies at 400 Broadway addressed the Commission related to:

1) Thanked the Commission for supporting the Bountiful Babies with the subrecipient grant last year. The support of the community has been instrumental to leverage other grant funds. Their roots are deep and they have grown with our community identifying the needs of families here through research beginning in 2008. They hope to continue to serve our community and to meet the needs of families with children. Their mission is to help support healthy development in children through arts and play. They are celebrating the first year open for Wildflowers at the Community Arts Center. They have free services and programs offered regularly. To celebrate they are inviting everyone to the first birthday party on April 6, 2017 from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Food, drinks, art, games, and goody bags will be available. This is a free event open to all ages. They are right next door to Little Things Matter. Wildflowers is a free community space that is supported by the Bountiful Babies organization which is a branch of the larger Non-Profit Group, the Bountiful Alliance. The programs include: Open Art; Baby Group called Baby & Me which is a support group for babies and parents; Home School Group; beginner Sewing; One on one workshops where parents can learn to use their hands free baby carriers. They began as a small grassroots network of educators and health practitioners who envisioned a safe and creative space that would support the healthy development of children through arts and play. They envision growing into their own Non-Profit by 2018. The community can support their efforts by donating funds, supplies, or time volunteering. Please contact them for more information.

Ron Fenn, 316 N. Foch addressed the Commission related to:

1) A year ago he reported to the city about the recycling waste of plastic in the city. Nothing has changed other than it has cost us more money to recycle plastic than it did last year when we were throwing it in the dump. Now we're sending it to Albuquerque where we get \$0.00 per ton. We've sent 22-24 tons depending on which report you want to read to Albuquerque. Not at no cost, as Mr. Green said last year, they are charging us. Mr. Green, they are charging us for the reduced amount that they pay for the rest of the recyclables. For instance, aluminum for which we get \$0.30/lb. in Las Cruces. Albuquerque also gets \$0.30/lb and so does Truth or Consequences which we don't use, versus the \$0.55 they pay the public. Now where do you think that money goes to? He's calculated at his cost, \$4,000 to ship those 22 tons of plastic to Albuquerque. It costs over \$200 per ton to get rid of our plastic and make it appear as though we are doing some recycling. Recycling cannot pay in this community, no matter what the commodity. And until you folks decide that we stop wasting money, he would rather see it go to Wildflowers and these people than throwing it away by supporting corporations in Albuquerque with our money, his money. And you folks control it. This is the most wasteful program, or one of the most wasteful programs that we have in this city. There is nothing that isn't a wasteful program in this city. Commissioner Clark said last year that you wanted to talk to me about your recycle program and never did. How about some truth here. Truth or

Consequences. The consequences are we are destroying our city because there is no truth. Wake up please, it's my money and it's these people's money.

Marilyn Pope, Geronimo Springs Museum addressed the Commission related to:

- 1) She usually has happy things to say about the Museum but she came today to report on something. They had a couple come in from Canada who purchased tickets to the Spaceport Tour. They had gone to the Visitor's Center and the gentleman who was working there who they said was very cordial and made a couple of phone calls to help them and so on, and she did the same thing. The thing she wanted to stress is they, like a lot of other people in town, do everything in their power to keep people in town. And to keep people in the area for another three or four days; to keep them doing research in the museum so they will go and visit the Ranch and the Cemetery or whatever. This gave us a lot of negative publicity and she's wondering what we can all do. It's sort of a tragic moment and you haven't really enjoyed life until you've talked to somebody who has come this far and purchases those tickets and it isn't happening. Her question that day was, to the Tourism people, why can't these people take the money and arrange the tour and contact the people to tell them there is no tour, so they don't get here. She understands the family from New York had gone through the same thing and so has some other people. Sometimes they cloister themselves in the museum and don't know what the rest of the community is doing, she's afraid. But this is a difficult situation and she would really appreciate some answers or something to say to these people or maybe they could get the list of people they have sold tickets to so they can let them know they can have a tour at another time, but they can't right now. She said they left friends and laughed and they said if I got thrown in prison for complaining, they would send me maple syrup from Canada. She made some new friends but it's unfortunate, and they do everything they can to keep people around and this is a negative thing.
- 2) She also brought a package of new post cards they got printed which was partly with Lodger's Tax money to give to people who help with the area. She thanked the Commission and they appreciate their help.

Ron Pacourek addressed the Commission related to:

- 1) Friday went to the Golf Course to see if he could play and there was a sign saying "Out on the course, pay later". It was busy out there and he wasn't sure if he could play or not, and he didn't want to be a bother to anybody. He played a few holes and was gone about 40-45 minutes and when he got back there was nobody there and there was nobody to talk to, to pay. And by then, there was about a half dozen people were waiting for someone to maybe serve them beverages. So that was his experience and he was hoping you would look at some of those expenditures of \$120,000, you gave the Golf Course. And he has to say #6 Fairway looks like it's going to pasture.
- 2) Legion Riders did the things for the Veterans and cooked for the Veterans. What a great idea. The idea that came to him is that there is a run to the wall every year in DC, 100,000 Bikers show up. If the Legion Riders would bring all of those riders together from other states and have a two day event with food and libations. And to go with that;
- 3) There is a Car Show in Artesia on March 30<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> which is a two day event. If you get all of these Hot Rods into town, they've got to stay somewhere, and eat

someplace. He has a list of about 10 pages of Car Shows in New Mexico. And even RC Sumthins Ice Cream shop is listed in here for every Saturday.

4) He also suggested advertising in AARP Magazine. We could have a 4 x 4 saying Truth or Consequences is a great place to retire. We have the largest Recreation Area in town. And maybe if more people would get this, they might think about retiring here. This magazine is nationwide,

Diane Tiddle, PALS read by Commissioner Frankel commented on the following:

1) Dog Lovers! Volunteers needed. PALS, a local support group invites all dog lovers and other concerned residents to join us in cleaning up the approved sight of the Off Leash Dog Park before construction begins there in the Spring. They are holding their First annual clean up day on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. The Dog Park site is located above the Fish Pond at Ralph Edwards Park. The brightly painted Fire Hydrant marks the future entrance of the Dog Park site. The work will be physical, digging weeds, cleaning up trash, picking up rocks and such. Bring appropriate tools if you have them. Your reward will be light refreshments and the satisfaction of being able to see how your hard work has contributed to the creation of this much needed facility.

## RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Commissioner Clark added Ron's AARP idea was excellent and she would like to see it followed through with some kind of tourism dollars. The Senior Meal site is anticipating some significant growth in people going to that area. She personally knows two people who have stayed at her motel who have purchased houses here and she knows it's a good area because of the hospital being here. She thanked Marilyn for her effort participation and it's very disappointing when a company doesn't follow through with their responsibilities and we end up getting the brunt for it. She did hear Marilyn had done a very good job and was very kind to those folks who were disappointed, she thanked her.

Commissioner Hechler said on the same subject, they all received emails concerning the couple that came and if she wouldn't mind, he asked Clerk Cantin to make sure it gets forwarded to Chris Lopez with the New Mexico State Space Authority so they are aware of the situation. And perhaps he can reach out to them in some way, shape, or form.

Mayor Green requested Clerk Cantin to post a Potential Quorum Notice for April 6th for the Open House for Wildflowers, so we could have Commissioner's attend and support that. He added he has been in communication with Nigel on the issue and if you take a look at some of his recent posting, he has turned around and he's seen emails where they did try to intercept them before they came down. He complimented Geronimo Trails and the Museum team. As of yesterday, he invited Nigel and his wife, as his guests, whenever they can to come back to T or C on his dime, to show them what this community is all about. He thinks there were miscommunications that could have been done better, so he wanted to thank the Museum and Geronimo Trails for stepping up big time and trying to make a wrong into a right. He added Ron Pacourek had some great ideas and he would like to meet with him about the Car Shows and the Legions. This is the type of business we need. He's been in communication with the Senior Analytics Advisor with

AARP and he's right they are looking for a retirement community. He also commented on the ratings we got, so we are working on those and backing them up with real facts. He assured him the Commission is not sitting on their hands and they have been actively looking for ways to shine a light on our community. He encouraged Mr. Pacourek to give him a call about his ideas.

Last he responded to Mr. Audon Trujillo who talked about the Lee Belle Johnson and the utility bills that are encumbered by that building. First he thinks there is a misunderstanding in this community. Every department that operated out of a building, there is a cost of doing business. When you turn on the lights, someone has got to pay for that. When you garbage has to be picked up, when your water is running and toilets are flushing, and when the electricity is turned on, there is a cost. In every department, it's an internal bookkeeping, but every department is billed for water, Wastewater, and Trash Collection. Someone has done a lot of research and the number \$1,300 has been floating around and he doesn't know if it's for a year or a month or for a quarter. There was a letter to the Editor last week. So he asked staff to run what they call an Account Billing History Report. He mentioned so we can save another IPRA request, he will give this information to Mr. Audon personally. As a fair comparison, what he did was go back to 2014 and compare 2014 with 2016. We are just talking about the Lee Belle Johnson building, that building has three electric meters on it. One meter is for the Library, the Library gets billed for all services. Mr. Ron Fenn, expressed an obscenity as he exited the meeting. Mayor Green apologized for the interruption. Moving on, Healing Waters Plaza has its own meter, so what we are talking about is the meter that handles the rest of the interior of the building at 301 Foch St. which is labeled the Spaceport. He read the dollar amounts for 2014 staring with January-December. The bottom line is that total for electrical use for that building for 2014 was \$2,024.34. When that building was repurposed for another use, the total for 2016 was \$1,783.59. Well you're probably thinking, how can that be? The only thing he can think of is when you are not paying for that service, you are not a good caretaker of that service, so you leave it running, leave heaters running, leave lights running. When a private enterprise business went into that building in 2016 with the arrangement of paying more if the electricity increases, then they start shutting down lights and air conditioners when they are not needed. These are the numbers and are available for anyone. He thinks there has been some misinformation or incomplete information where we are not understanding how we do our bookkeeping internally and he hopes that clarifies some of the rumors and innuendo's that have been running rampant.

Commissioner Frankel would like to address Marilyn and Ron Pacourek. He comes from a hospitality background for the last 20 years and feels if that happened to him, it would be considered bad customer service. Balls get dropped and things happened. It seems there are solutions to these two problems who both resulted in dissatisfied guests to our town. He would hope for the tours, anyone who has pre-purchased tickets would have gotten a refund, even though a refund sent an apology should be too. No matter if the list is 1,000 people or 10 people, refunds should be given. In the matter of the Golf Course, if nobody is available you would lose the revenue stream if there was nobody there to pay. In this day and age when nobody leaves without a cell phone in their pocket,

you could leave a note on the desk to say we are out on the Greens, but call us and we can meet you or we will return at this time. He offered to look into why a phone number can't be posted at the front desk for anyone who is working at the Golf Course to contact and hopefully we can solve that one smaller issue and improve our customer service.

Mayor Green added the refund was paid.

#### E. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. City Commission Regular Minutes, February 14, 2017
- 2. Golf Course Advisory Board Minutes, January 4, 2017
- 3. Accounts Payable, February 2017

Commissioner Frankel moved to approve the Consent Calendar including City Commission Regular Minutes for February 14, 2017; Golf Course Advisory Board Minutes for January 4, 2017; and Accounts Payable for February 2017. Commissioner Hechler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

#### F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

 Public Hearing: Final Adoption of Ordinance No. 677 16/17 to approve the Truth or Consequences Brewing Company Proposal for Economic Development.

City Clerk Cantin presented the item. This item was brought to them at the first meeting in February. Truth or Consequences brewing Co. is working with the New Mexico Economic Development Department for LEDA funds. The final adoption of this ordinance is the last step we will need to proceed with the funding. As you may recall, at the meeting when this was first presented the Public Participation Agreement and the Intergovernmental Agreement. She turned it over to the Mayor for the Public Hearing portion.

Mayor Green announced we have no Proponents or Opponents, we have had nothing but positive interaction from the Public on the support of this project and the blank sheet shows that.

Clerk-Treasurer Cantin added that Christine Logan from the NM Economic Development Department is also here if there are any questions.

With no questions, Mayor Green closed the public hearing.

# G. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTION, & ZONING

 Discussion/Action: Final Adoption of Ordinance No. 677 16/17 to approve the Truth or Consequences Brewing Company Proposal for Economic Development. Renee Cantin, Clerk-Treasurer Mayor Green mentioned we have heard presentations from Christine Logan, the Owners, and the public support. He asked if there were any further comments or questions, otherwise let's move forward.

Commissioner Frankel moved to approve the Final Adoption of Ordinance No. 677 16/17 to approve the Truth or Consequences Brewing Company Proposal for Economic Development. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken by the Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion/Action: Resolution No. 29 16/17 amending Section 6 of the Personnel Policy for Employee Evaluations. Melissa Torres, Finance Director

Finance Director Torres gave an overview of the proposed changes.

Commissioner Clark added her concern is when an employee is hired they have a clear perspective of what is expected of them in their job description. She summarized under Section 6.3 they are requesting a revision to broaden their ratings. And changing unsatisfactory from the previous needs improvement and defining a Development Plan for employees who are under the scope of unsatisfactory. The Development Plan gives a broad scope to help the employees identify the areas they need to improve and gives them the tools they need to improve. Under 6.4.4 they are striking out and adding if an employee disagrees with their evaluation, they have grievance with a manager about the evaluation and the disagreement. 6.4.5 helps with the revision of the employee appraisal.

Commissioner Clark is concerned that when an employee is hired, that they have a clear impression of what's expected of them. So when it's unsatisfactory, they would have a clear picture of what the job description is. Finance Director Torres responded that is correct one of the things we are doing is spending more time on this to give the employees the tools to do their job. One of the things they are planning is a New Employee Orientation to help define the expectations we have to be a city employee. This is part of the reason we are moving forward with the ratings and development. Ultimately, as Manager's our job is to ensure the employees have the tools they need to do their job. The evaluations we had didn't get the tools to show what the expectations are, areas they need to improve, or areas where they are doing great.

Commissioner Clark responded she is concerned if we just have someone in a position who isn't necessarily qualified for a position. This person you may be hiring may be set up for failure already if they are not qualified. Finance Director Torres one of the things they are working on is the job descriptions and trying to make sure those put into positions have the tools they need. In her experience, being hired is the most important part of the job. You can't change attitude, but you can train and you can give them the skills. They are working on coming together and bringing the right people for the jobs and change the culture and make it a family with the city and make it successful.

Commissioner Hechler gave kudos to her staff and all who helped develop this. It's not perfect but it's a lot better than it was. He asked when you have a marginal employee, can the City Manager or Department Head request to initiate an evaluation when it may be needed. Sometimes when we rely on the Department Head they may wait until the last minute to get it done. He asked where is the field to ensure if someone needs to step in and start that process, they can?

Finance Director Torres added part of the evaluation in Section 6 does allow that anytime you need to, you can give an evaluation. The City Manager or Department Head can initiate one at any time. We need to make the adjustments as needed and give the employee the opportunity to make the adjustments not just at the end of the probation but throughout the process.

Commissioner Hechler asked who will ensure the quality and oversight of the evaluations and will there be training for Department Heads for this process. Finance Director Torres let them know with the new samples there is a reviewer and an HR Reviewer. So that will be HR, and her, and the City Manager to ensure consistency.

Commissioner Hechler wanted to ensure each unsatisfactory rating will have detailed explanation, as well as, each outstanding rating so we don't take short cuts when we evaluate people. Finance Director Torres agreed and added that is why they have a development plan. She went back to the training and the goal is to continue the training with the new employee evaluation and also for the Department Heads.

Mayor Green added that we have all participated in discussions with Manger Fuentes at one time or another and asked that we encourage staff in the hiring process, to not settle for less, and get A players, A-, or B+ players to fill these positions.

Commissioner Clark moved to approve Resolution No. 29 16/17 amending Section 6 of the Personnel Policy for Employee Evaluations. Commissioner Hechler seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken by the Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.

#### H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion/Action: Joint Powers Agreement for Housing and Care for Adult prisoners. Lee Alirez, Police Chief

Police Chief Alirez notified the Commission this is an extension of the existing contract. Part of the original contract was the ability to extend this contract. There have been no changes.

Commissioner Clark asked if we have anything in the future where we might be able to bring these prisoners back to our area. Police Chief Alirez responded he would certainly hope so, but he hasn't been given any additional information for that within the last six months. Commissioner Clark clarified then we basically have no option except to extend the agreement. Police Chief Alirez agreed that is correct, even if we did have the local

Detention Center we would need an additional MOU. This is a very friendly contract for the city. He explained the charges we are getting for this.

Commissioner Hechler moved to approve the Joint Powers Agreement for Housing and Care for Adult prisoners for a one year extension. Commissioner Frankel seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion/Action: Penalty for violating Rules of Conduct during City Commission meetings.

Mayor Green read a statement so there is no misunderstanding of his words and the intent of his words. This agenda is not about free speech, in that right, but rather the responsibility that one must assume when the right is exercised. This Commission meets in these Chambers to do the business of the city and our doors are always open and the public invited in. And during certain parts of the meeting, can participate, i.e. public comment and public hearings. Over the past years, it is unfortunate, that on occasion we have had to remind speakers of the conduct of behavior that is expected. Respect, civility, and common courtesy are not too much to ask for. This item has nothing to do with whatever the latest Social Media posting about Steve Green and Ron Fenn is about. But is Ron Fenn's total disregard for our Rules of Procedure and our expectation of proper conduct. It has become a pattern of disruptive behavior. grandstanding, theatrics and uncontrolled temper. This disrespectful behavior should not be tolerated or accepted. It is in the best interest of this Commission to have this discussion. And as our authority to do so, he referred to the City of Truth or Consequences Rules of Procedure, Rule #17, Sections C.1 and C.6 which reads as follows:

C.1: No comments shall be made from any other location than the podium and anyone making "out of order" comments as determined by the Presiding Officer may be subject to removal from the meeting. In that regard, a police officer may be present to enforce these rules of conduct.

C.6 Any person who violates the rules of conduct may be subject to having their speaking privileges removed at future City Commission Meetings or may be subject to removal from that particular meeting as determined by a majority vote of the City Commission.

Mayor Green continued, it saddens him that he felt it was necessary to put this item on the agenda, but those are his feelings and he opened it up to his fellow Commissioner's for their suggestions and thoughts on the matter.

Commissioner Clark remembers when this subject came up a few years ago. She gave the Commission at that time a lot of credit because there were a few people who would come up and possibly misbehave. At the end of the day, the Commission at the time did not take away the three minute speech which they had the option to do because the Commission believes the public has a right to speak to them and that's their responsibility to listen to their constituents and the people. When a person comes up to speak or walks

out when someone else is speaking and is swearing or interrupting, at that point, we are looking at misbehavior. And she would like to appreciate Mayor Pro-Tem Whitehead, a couple of weeks ago when she called for Point of Order and asked somebody to leave. She thinks there is a point when nobody cares to listen to swearing or misbehaving for the rudeness that can be extending to somebody else who has the floor. She does agree with the Mayor and feels we need to be careful in how we are going to address this.

Commissioner Frankel said it seems the hottest person is not always during the meeting but when they are walking out the door. But aside from the future ability to speak at a meeting, he sees we can have the most potential for push back. We are talking about two different types of interruptions, basically the interruption that would take place during the meeting that would result in the person being removed from the meeting; or the type of ongoing interruption that would require them to no longer have the ability to speak at a future meeting. It's the future meeting one that would be the hot potato. He explained possibly being penalized for something you haven't done yet. If you've committed the infraction that has gotten you thrown out of this meeting, but at what stage do you warrant that you no longer get to attend any meeting. Or is it a two or three meeting banishment or at what point do you invite them back to the table?

Mayor Green said first of all, this has nothing to do with attending meetings. Second it's up to the will of the Commission by majority vote if we feel Mr. Fenn's ongoing behavior warrants, not his attendance at these meetings, but we have the right to take away the public comment opportunity for him to address this Commission. If someone felt it should be one meeting, a month, two months, three months, that's up to you guys to decide. He knows what he thinks is fair and reasonable, but that's just him. That's why he wanted to bring it and have discussion. We have had outbursts before, and when Mayor Pro-Tem Whitehead was sitting in this seat, she didn't truck for no nonsense. She was really quick with that gavel. But everyone knows the rules of behavior. There is a responsibility of free speech. You don't yell "fire" in a theater. In certain instances, in houses of worship, if you are in disagreement of what the Rabbi, the Father, or Priest is talking about, you don't stand up and make a commotion in the middle of that. He's not saying this is a church but this is a place of business. And we expect decorum to be held here. He gets disruptive and he sees no other way out, other than this route. He is certainly not asking him to be thrown out, in fact, depending on what happens today, if there is a motion made and if the vote should carry, he would like a Certified Letter sent to Mr. Fenn. So he realizes that our doors are not locked to him or to anybody. But they certainly have violated the rules of behavior and the conditions that we expect to be addressed. And we expect there are citizens who are in attendance here to have a smooth business meeting and not one that's disruptive.

Commissioner Clark asked if we can broaden that to anyone who misbehaves. She has seen more than this one person misbehave. She would like to see this being published in the papers to say we are going to be very strict on our rules of conduct and plan on being escorted out by the Police Department at any given moment when the Commission believes someone is speaking out of order. Mayor Green added you can also lose future

speaking privileges on public comments. Commissioner Clark continued If you don't follow the rules of conduct then you don't get the opportunity to come up and speak to us.

Commissioner Hechler first of all he heard nothing in the Mayors notes that would stifle free speech. They want the gallery to present information to them in a respectful manner. He doesn't think that's too much to ask. He asked the Clerk if we have noted the incident in the minutes. Clerk-Treasurer Cantin confirmed it is. Commissioner Hechler continued if we do want to take anyone's privilege away in the future, he wants to make sure it's a matter of record and we can come back to it if we need to. For instance, the outburst on his way out today, he doesn't know if that was documented but things like that should be a matter of record. He would categorize it by the severity, and sometimes it might be worth one strike, other times it may be three or four.

Mayor Green asked them to notice that nowhere did he say content of speech. If they are respectful, courteous, and not throwing rotten tomatoes at us, we have worked hard to set up the public comment and make sure people have the right to speak.

Commissioner Frankel asked if they were to lose their privileges in Public Comment, can they still speak during a Public Hearing as a proponent or opponent during that portion of the meeting. Mayor Green would say that's up to the will of the Commission, if we were voting, he would just take away public comment to start with. However, if someone were to abuse that privilege during the public hearing process, he would say get that person out of here. It's not too much to ask for the level of discipline and respect they deserve.

Mayor Green moved to approve we notify by certified mail Mr. Ron Fenn that his speaking privileges during Public Comment have been taken away by this City Commission for the next two meetings, he is welcome to attend the meetings but Public Comment will be denied for violation of our rules of decorum. Commissioner Frankel seconded the motion.

Commissioner Clark has a problem with that, the speech wasn't really bad. It was in the middle of another person's comments that the interruption and the swearing came and you're not covering that part of it. She would like to amend that through the entire meeting the behavior needs to follow through with the Rules and Regulations of Conduct. Mayor Green absolutely agrees and thanked her for that. Commissioner Clark added the amendment would be the restriction applies to the entire meeting, not just the three minute speech.

Mayor Green added that behavior is from the minute we open the doors and start the meeting until we close and how we are getting our word out, is by depriving, which we have every right to do. And if it becomes very necessary to have the presence of the Police here in the Commission Chambers to escort that person out.

Mayor Green added to the motion anyone violating our Rules of behavior during a City Commission meeting, will be either be escorted out of the meeting with option that the Commission can take away their future opportunity to have access during

public comment to the Commission. They are welcome to attend the meetings if their behavior is solid. Commissioner Frankel seconded the amended motion.

Mayor Green recapped that we will have no public comment for the next two meetings. We will also notify Mr. Fenn by Certified Mail that he is more than welcome and invited to attend our City Commission meetings but due to the violation of our Rules of Procedure, and that means the discipline and decorum, that we expect those two Commission meetings from public comment. Commissioner Clark said it's still not clear that is the entire meeting. Mayor Green agreed it's for the entire meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion/Action: Review of Relocation packets. Steve Green, Mayor

Mayor Green thanked the Chamber and Geronimo Trails Scenic Byway for all of their work. He wants to be sure the packets they have sent out have appropriate information. He gave some stats from the Chamber about the packets that go out. Geronimo Trails estimated 85-90 packets that go out each year. He read the documentation that is included in the current packet. His question is, if you contacted the community to ask for information, would you be happy to receive this information and would it excite or motivate you to come visit or live here.

Commissioner Clark started by suggesting for the snowbirds, we should include Senior Activities, including Senior Meal site, Meals on Wheels, games and activities that are going on. People of that age group and the income will stay longer even if they are only here three or four months of the year. We could encourage them to come down and participate and pay the \$3 per lunch because they can afford it. Mayor Green thanked her and reminded her we did include that in our Utility Office welcome bags.

Commissioner Hechler added a cover letter to welcome folks to our community.

Mayor Green had a Cover Letter, SJOA, Hospital, Job Opportunities, Workforce Connection, cost of living, low taxes, Fire Dept, lowest insurance rates, and low housing cost. He would like to get additional information to bring back to see if that's the product we want sent out.

Commissioner Clark moved to approve sending this back to Mayor Green and add the information we talked about and bring it back to our next meeting. Commissioner Frankel seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

#### I. REPORTS

a. City Manager

Clerk-Treasurer Cantin announced she has no report for the City Manager.

b. City Commission

Commissioner Hechler reminder of the City Manager's Evaluation and asked the Clerk to add and Executive Session to the agenda for the next meeting and then a second Executive Session for the meeting at the end of April. City Clerk Cantin notified him they have been added to both meetings.

Commissioner Clark thanked Commissioner Hechler for taking care of that.

Commissioner Frankel had the opportunity to work on the Downtown drainage and walked the area with Mr. Van Clothier who did the Water Harvesting Project. They identified a few of our worst offenders along Daniels St.; Mims; and side streets off of Broadway. He has some really creative solutions that could be implemented with a relatively small budget that would help alleviate some of the flooding in the downtown area. He would like to do a demonstration and training to our Roads & Streets Dept. we can do things like cutting curbs, reopening some retention ponds that already exist without having to build any new infrastructure; and reusing some existing facilities. forward to presenting some of this information at an upcoming meeting.

Mayor Green was remiss not asking for something from the Bountiful Babies for the packets. If they have something to put in, please get it to him at City Hall and put it in his mailbox. We also need younger folks to come into our community and set up roots.

He updated the reach out to the Senior Matrix for the Art Public Policy Institute, where this Commission was not thrilled with our score. Some things we get dinged on and that's the price you pay sometimes living in a small community. You don't have some of the assets other larger community can afford to have. But we will continue to work on that, Kathy Elverum from the Hospital has taken on the Hospital portion of the rating. And this Commission will continue to work with the officials in Washington for a score we feel is honest and fairly represents our community.

#### J. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Hechler moved to adjourn at 10:23 a.m. Mayor Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Passed and Approved this 11th day of April

Steven Green, Mayor

Reneé L. Cantin, CMC, City Clerk