



**City of Black Hawk  
City Council**

**January 10, 2018**

**MEETING MINUTES**

Lodge Casino General Manager JJ Garcia rang the bell.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order on Wednesday, January 10, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Spellman.

2. **ROLL CALL:** Present were: Mayor Spellman, Aldermen Armbright, Bennett, Johnson, Midcap, Moates, and Torres.

Staff present: City Attorney Hoffmann, City Manager Lewis, Police Chief Cole, Fire Chief Taylor, Finance Director Hillis, City Clerk/Administrative Services Director Greiner, Public Works Director Isbester, Community Planning and Development Administrator Linker, Baseline Engineering Consultant Harris, and Deputy City Clerk Martin.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Spellman led the meeting in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **AGENDA CHANGES:** Deputy City Clerk Martin confirmed there were no agenda changes.

4. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** City Attorney Hoffmann asked Council to declare any Conflicts of Interest on any issue appearing on the agenda this afternoon other than those previous disclosures and conflicts that have already been disclosed and are on file with the City Clerk and Secretary of State. No conflicts were noted from City Council.

City Attorney Hoffmann asked the audience if there were any objections to any member of Council voting on any issue on the agenda this afternoon. The audience had no objections.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Deputy City Clerk Martin confirmed that no one had signed up to speak.

6. APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES:

December 13, 2017

**MOTION TO  
APPROVE**

Alderman Torres **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Armbright to approve the Minutes as presented.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

**A. Resolution 1-2018, A Resolution Conditionally Approving a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Comprehensive Sign Plan Amendment for the Canyon Casino**

Mayor Spellman read the title and opened the public hearing.

Baseline Engineering Consultant Harris introduced this item. He said since the Canyon Casino building is no longer operating as its intended use, the applicant would like to take down all existing signage in reference to the Canyon Casino. He said the applicant is requesting to temporarily put up window wraps on the street level windows displaying historic black and white Black Hawk images until they move forward with using the building again. Harris said staff is recommending approval with five conditions. The third condition, condition C, was listed as an either/or condition, as it is in regards to using the Black Hawk logo at the peak of the building, and since the Sign Code does not regulate the logo, staff is asking City Council for their recommendation.

The fifth condition, condition E, was in regards to a license agreement for the projecting sign. JJ Garcia, General Manager of the Lodge Casino, addressed this condition. He said all the electronics are out of date on that sign and they would like to remove the entire sign including brackets, so condition E could be deleted. He added that he would submit the library photos they are proposing to use for approval prior to use. Council loved the idea of this window wrap and suggested to staff that it be something to consider in the future as a treatment instead of curtains or dark empty windows, and they also thought putting the logo on the pediment would be visually attractive.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Spellman declared a Public Hearing on Resolution 1-2018, a Resolution conditionally approving a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Comprehensive Sign Plan amendment for the Canyon Casino open and invited anyone wanting to address the Board either "for" or "against" the proposed ordinance to come forward.

No one came forward to speak and Mayor Spellman declared the Public Hearing closed.

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

Alderman Bennett **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Armbright to approve Resolution 1-2018, a Resolution conditionally approving a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Comprehensive Sign Plan amendment for the Canyon Casino with the logo approved for condition C and condition E deleted.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

**B. Resolution 2-2018, A Resolution Conditionally Approving a Certificate of Appropriateness for Construction and Site Development Plan for the Canyon Parking Garage and Lot (Continuance Recommended)**

**C. Resolution 3-2018, A Resolution Conditionally Approving Variances to Zoning Standards for Canyon Parking Garage and Lot (Continuance Recommended)**

Mayor Spellman read the titles to open the public hearings on items B and C and asked Council to please continue these agenda items until the January 24<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. Alderman Bennett **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Moates to continue these items to January 24.

**8. ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. Resolution 4-2018, A Resolution Approving the Service Agreements for Vehicle Towing Services**

Mayor Spellman read the title.

Police Chief Cole introduced this item of the annual renewal of towing contracts. He added that the agreements have been modified to automatically renew each year as long as the tow companies are providing satisfactory service.

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

Alderman Armbright **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Torres to approve Resolution 4-2018, a Resolution approving the Service Agreements for Vehicle Towing Services.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

**B. Resolution 5-2018, A Resolution Establishing a Designated Public Place for Posting of Meeting Notices as required by the Colorado Open Meetings Law**

Mayor Spellman read the title.

City Clerk/Administrative Services Director Greiner explained this was an annual housekeeping item required under Statute .

**MOTION TO APPROVE**

Alderman Armbright **MOVED** and was **SECONDED** by Alderman Bennett to approve Resolution 5-2018, a Resolution establishing a designated public place for posting of meeting notices as required by the Colorado Open Meetings Law.

**MOTION PASSED**

There was no discussion and the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

9. CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

City Manager Lewis had nothing to report.

10. CITY ATTORNEY:

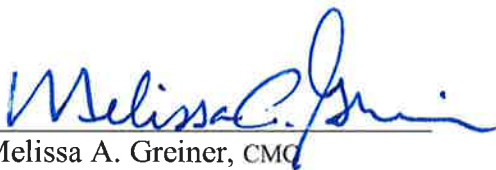
City Attorney Hoffmann had nothing to report.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Spellman declared the Regular Meeting of the City Council closed at 3:10 p.m.



Melissa A. Greiner, CMC  
City Clerk



David D. Spellman  
Mayor

