

COUNCIL MINUTES
August 16, 2007

The Monte Vista City Council met on Thursday, August 16, 2007 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room, 4 Chico Camino, Monte Vista, CO.

Call to Order

Mayor Don Schall called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilor Rose Wilson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members present Councilor Gabe Duran, Councilor Jose Art Medina, Councilor Charles Spielman, Councilor Rose Wilson and Mayor Don Schall. Record to indicate a quorum was present.

Others present City Attorney Eugene Farish, City Manager Don Van Wormer, Chief of Police Jim Gallegos, City Clerk Lucille Duran, Intern Emma McArdle, Public Works Supervisor Randy Martinez, Ordinance Enforcement Officer Cori Garcia, a member of the press and guests.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Spielman seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Consent agenda consisted only of approval of August 2, 2007 Council Minutes, and approval of Expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

Proclamations, Communications and Appointments

Councilor Duran made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to accept Chuck Davis's Letter of Resignation from Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments/Special Presentations

Brian Benke and two volunteers from La Puente Home. Brian – We are here asking for help from you. We enjoy our presence in your community. On behalf of the La Puente and Rainbow's End, we want to thank you for all that you do for our thrift store here. They are really doing well. We are in need of help, and we are asking you for \$1,000 for this year. City Manager will get with Debbie to see what we can do.

Donna Wehe, the Director of Colorado Small Business Development Center. Donna – We opened our doors for business late January of 2007. The program receives a grant from the SBA through the State of Colorado. The program must receive at least half in local cash match. I help people try to put their ideas together. My role tonight is to have you look at your budget to see if there is something you can do to help us out with \$1,000 from Monte Vista. City Manager requested she submit a letter with the request for the 2008 budget.

Commission Reports/Recommendations

Approval of Preliminary Plat for Legacy Expansion. The property owner is Donald Kanen. The Subdivision is 2.55 acre parcel located southeast of the intersection of Chico Camino and Solar Avenue. It meets all city code requirements for preliminary plat. There are eight lots each with a duplex unit. Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Spielman seconded, to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission and approve the preliminary plat for the Legacy Expansion. Motion carried unanimously.

Licenses/Liquor Renewals

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Duran seconded, to approve Park Avenue Liquor renewal for retail liquor store license. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve SLV Superbowl Corp. renewal for tavern liquor license. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinances

Ordinance No. 796 – An Ordinance Amending Certain Provisions of the Monte Vista Zoning Ordinance and the Monte Vista Nuisance Code relating to Parking Vehicles, Recreational Equipment and Machinery on Residential Property. Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Duran seconded, to table Ordinance No. 796 until after the workshop with the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

City Manager – We held the Community Resource Visit. The last three days they were here they did a lot of work, a lot of public input. The feedback I received, at least from the resource team, is they were extremely pleased with the progress made by the Main Street Program so far.

Staff

Randy Martinez – The paving project on East Drive will start next week. We did some patching on some of the streets. We cleaned up five yards. One of them took us about three days.

Jim Gallegos – On Tuesday night, the Rio Grande Sheriff's Office and the Monte Vista Police Department did a drug bust. Starting today, until September 3, 2007, we will be having our DUI check points.

City Attorney

Eugene Farish – with new legislation there will be a major revision to the offense code.

Council

Councilor Spielman – I went with a group to a sewage treatment plant a couple of weeks ago in Arizona. They have great plan and a great plant. I recommended a piece of property by Del Norte for a 5,000 acre solar plant. The guy will come in September to look at it.

Executive Session

Councilor Medina made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to go into executive session to discuss the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of real, personal, or other property interest under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (4) (a); Motion carried unanimously.

Recess/Adjournment of Meeting

Meeting adjourned.

Donald Schall, Mayor
Lucille Duran, City Clerk
Approved 1/18/07