

City Council Meeting Minutes

**August 1, 2023
Electronic Meeting
6:00 PM**

Call to Order – Mayor Maloney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. **Roll Call** was taken and the following members were present:

City Council: *Mayor Dennis Maloney
Mayor Pro Tem Deborah Fahey
Councilmember Caleb Dickinson
Councilmember Barbara Hamlington
Councilmember Dietrich Hoefner
Councilmember Chris Leh
Councilmember Maxine Most*

Staff Present: *Jeff Durbin, City Manager
Meredyth Muth, City Clerk*

Others Present: *Kathleen Kelly, City Attorney*

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Maloney called for changes to the agenda and hearing none asked for a motion. **Motion:** Councilmember Dickinson moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fahey. **Vote:** All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA AND ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Maloney asked for changes to the consent agenda; Councilmember Leh asked that 4E be moved to the consent agenda. **Motion:** Councilmember Leh moved to approve the consent agenda as amended, seconded by Councilmember Hoefner. **Vote:** All in favor.

- A. *Approval of Bills***
- B. *Approval of Minutes: July 25, 2023***

- C. *Appointment of Two Councilmembers to Work on Annual Evaluations of Appointed Officials***
- D. *Approval to Make August 8 and August 22 Study Sessions Special Meetings***
- E. *Approval of Proclamation for Louisville, Colorado Italian-American Heritage Day – moved to regular agenda***
- F. *Approval of Contract for Rehabilitation Planning for the Trott-Downer Cabins***

COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL COMMENTS ON PERTINENT ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Councilmember Hoefner noted a community meeting was held last week to discuss traffic issues on the Polk/Dahlia corridor. This was in response to a recent accident with a pedestrian and it was well attended. Unfortunately, there was a similar accident the next day underscoring the need for additional traffic calming in this area. He asked that the new traffic safety measures be installed sooner rather than later, particularly as school is about to begin.

Councilmember Most asked for “No Thru Traffic” signs to be added to the street as soon as possible and that communications get out to the neighborhood and the Fireside Elementary community with what the City is committing to do.

Councilmember Hamlington added that there are unique circumstances in this area and it needs to be addressed with both short-term and long-term fixes.

Mayor Maloney stated all members of council are in agreement on this issue and traffic safety is important. He noted the Public Works Department continues to look for solutions and funding is approved. This is an urgent situation.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Durbin stated staff agrees with the urgency of this situation. Director Kowar stated staff has looked at possible solutions for the corridor including installing speed cushions and pedestrian refuges. He stated he thinks the speed cushions can be in within 30 days and other tactics by the end of the year.

Fire Chief Willson stated staff reached out to him last week to understand if there are any concerns with traffic calming in this area. It is a balancing act to not impede the response time of the fire trucks but to also slow traffic. He stated the Fire District will work with the City to find the best options.

Director Kowar stated staff is committed to increasing safety and meeting the needs of the neighborhood. City Manager Durbin also noted the Police are also looking in to how to best increase enforcement.

REGULAR BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 1855, SERIES 2023 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 5.08 OF THE LOUISVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING ART GALLERY PERMITS – 1ST READING – SET PUBLIC HEARING 8/15/23

Mayor Maloney introduced Ordinance No. 1855 by title.

MOTION: Mayor Maloney moved to approve the ordinance on first reading and set the public hearing for August 15, 2023; seconded by Councilmember Leh.

VOTE: Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION FOR LOUISVILLE, COLORADO ITALIAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE DAY – *moved from consent agenda*

Councilmember Leh read the proclamation.

MOTION: Councilmember Leh moved to approve the proclamation; seconded by Mayor Maloney.

VOTE: Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT

None.

COUNCIL COMMENTS, COMMITTEE REPORTS, AND IDENTIFICATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURN

Members adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Dennis Maloney, Mayor

Meredyth Muth, City Clerk