

City of Brighton

500 S. 4th Avenue
Brighton, CO 80601



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

6:00 PM

Amended

Council Chambers

City Council

MAYOR - GREGORY MILLS

MAYOR PRO TEM - MATT JOHNSTON

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

*CLINT BLACKHURST, ADAM CUSHING,
MARK HUMBERT, KRIS JORDINELLI, MARY ELLEN POLLACK,
ANN TADDEO, TIM WATTS*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mills called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Councilmember Humbert led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

B. Roll Call

Present: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Not Present: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

2. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, seconded by Councilmember Cushing, to approve the Regular Agenda as presented. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the May 18, 2021 City Council Minutes

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, seconded by Councilmember Cushing, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

4. CEREMONIES

A. LGBTQ+ Pride Month Proclamation

Councilmember Cushing read the Proclamation into the record.

Motion by Councilmember Blackhurst, seconded by Councilmember Taddeo, to approve the Proclamation. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

**5. PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA
(Speakers limited to five minutes)**

Ken Kreutzer, Brighton. Mr. Kreutzer expressed concern regarding the distrust of the City in the community, posts and statements made by Mayor Pro Tem Johnston and actions that were taken when he served on City Council. Mr. Kreutzer asked that everyone campaigning speak the truth.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. ORDINANCES FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION

8. ORDINANCES FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION

- A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH KIM L. SHAKLEE, DBA NATURE IN BRONZE, FOR CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 36 SOUTH MAIN STREET (“MAIN STREET”), AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID LEASE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY**

Mayor Mills read the title of the Ordinance into the record.

City Manager Jane Bais DiSessa explained that this is the final reading of the Ordinance and there have not been any changes since first reading.

Motion by Councilmember Watts, seconded by Councilmember Pollack, to approve Ordinance 2364. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

- B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH GARY DICKINSON, DBA MAIN STREET CREATIVES, FOR CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 36 SOUTH MAIN STREET (“MAIN STREET”), AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID LEASE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY**

Mayor Mills read the title of the Ordinance into the record.

City Manager Bais DiSessa explained that this is the final reading of the Ordinance and there have not been any changes since first reading.

Motion by Councilmember Humbert, seconded by Councilmember Watts, to approve Ordinance 2365. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

9. RESOLUTIONS

- A. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF STAR PLAYGROUNDS AND APPROVING THE PROCUREMENT OF OBSERVATORY PARK PLAYGROUND & RESURFACING, PROJECT #21-006790, TO STAR PLAYGROUNDS FOR THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$215,000), AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AND SIGN THE CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AND THE CITY CLERK TO ATTEST THERETO**

Mayor Mills read the title of the Resolution into the record.

City Manager Bais DiSessa introduced Parks and Open Space Manager Kyle Sylvester.

Parks and Open Space Manager Kyle Sylvester presented the Observatory Park Playground and Resurfacing Project. The park is approximately 10.8 acres and is located at Bromley Lane and 22nd Avenue. The new playground will not exceed the existing playground site. The playground no longer meets current standards for safety. The new equipment will be ADA accessible and will include sensory panels, age inclusive play for two to five year olds and five to twelve year olds. The equipment will have astronomy themed features and a pour in place surface with a space theme. The additional swing bay will include a toddler swing. The solicitation was posted in April for a total of four weeks and five responses were received. One response provided everything that was requested and required to properly evaluate the proposal. Star Playgrounds was the most responsive and responsible vendor for the project. Sufficient appropriation exists for this project and the total cost is \$215,000. Parks and Open Space Manager Sylvester answered questions from Council regarding:

- The shade of blue for the pour in place surface.*
- The completion date for the project.*
- The begin date for the project.*
- There being wood chips at the current play structure.*
- The lifespan of the pour in place surface.*
- The toddler swing accommodating a parent and child.*

Motion by Councilmember Watts, seconded by Councilmember Pollack, to approve Resolution 2021-42. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

10. UTILITIES BUSINESS ITEMS

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Memorandum of Understanding with Colorado State Patrol Regarding the Automated License Plate Reader**

Commander Frank Acosta presented the Memorandum of Understanding with the Colorado State Patrol regarding the Automated License Plate Reader. The License Plate Reader will help with the large increase in motor vehicle thefts, hit and run accidents, Amber alerts, Silver alerts and other requests that involve vehicles that officers need to look for. The reader will be fixed to a light pole and will be used to track cars. The camera will be installed on the traffic light at 11th Avenue and Bridge Street and will monitor east and west bound lanes. The cost of the unit is \$66,240, this cost will be covered by a grant. The Police Department will sign the MOU with the Colorado State Patrol for use if its server to collect the data from the camera, this will save the City the cost of a server. There will be a minor cost to have the camera installed. Commander Acosta explained the benefits of the camera system and partnering with the Colorado State Patrol.

Motion by Councilmember Cushing, seconded by Councilmember Blackhurst, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Colorado State Patrol regarding the Automated License Plate Reader. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

B. Schedule a Special City Council Meeting on June 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. for an Executive Session Regarding Potential Water Shares Purchases

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, seconded by Councilmember Humbert, to Schedule a Special City Council Meeting on June 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. for an Executive Session Regarding Potential Water Shares Purchases. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

12. REPORTS

A. By the Mayor

Mayor Mills attended Summerfest, the Help for Homes event and the ribbon cutting for the Iris Fern Boutique.

B. By Department Heads

C. By the City Attorney

D. By the City Manager

City Manager Bais DiSessa is working with officials at the state and federal level to get funding for roads, water and parks projects. City Manager Bais DiSessa thanked Congressman Crow for visiting Brighton and looking at possible projects. There may be a conflict on the third Tuesday of the month since City Manager Bais DiSessa will be attending the Metro Wastewater meetings.

13. REPORTS BY COUNCIL ON BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Councilmember Cushing attended Summerfest.

Councilmember Blackhurst attended the Youth Commission meeting.

Councilmember Humbert attended the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, the Housing Authority meeting and the Historic Preservation Commission meeting. The Full Moon Bike Ride is next week.

Councilmember Watts attended Summerfest and the Wall that Heals meeting. Flix and Kicks is Thursday.

Councilmember Taddeo attended the Help for Homes event and the Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, seconded by Councilmember Pollack, to go into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. for discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or an elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees regarding Municipal Judge and City Attorney Recruitment. Motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Johnston, Councilmember Blackhurst, Councilmember Cushing, Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember Pollack, Councilmember Taddeo, and Councilmember Watts

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Jordinelli

Mayor Mills reconvened the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mills adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO

Gregory Mills, Mayor

ATTEST:

Natalie Hoel, City Clerk

Approval Date