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Meeting Minutes

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Tuesday, October 13, 2026 | **9:00 AM** | **Council Chambers**

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Crow-Iverson called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Present: 9 - Councilmember Ken Casey, President Lynette Crow-Iverson, Councilmember Dave Donelson, Councilmember Kimberly Gold, Councilmember Nancy Henjum, Councilmember David Leinweber, Councilmember Roland Rainey Jr., President Pro Tem Brian Risley, and Councilmember Brandy Williams

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was made by Pastor Allen Patterson From Victory Life Church.

President Crow-Iverson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Changes to Agenda/Postponements

Councilmember Gold requested item 4B.A to be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Consensus of Council agreed to this change on the agenda.

4. Consent Calendar

These items will be acted upon as a whole, unless a specific item is called for discussion by a Councilmember or a citizen wishing to address the City Council. (Any items called up for separate consideration shall be acted upon following the Mayor's Business.)

4A. Second Presentation:

4A.A. 26-323 Ordinance No. 26-55 Certifying Delinquent Stormwater Fees and Charges to the El Paso County Treasurer for Collection

Presenter:
Erin Powers, P.E., Stormwater Enterprise Manager
Richard Mulledy, P.E., Public Works Director

Attachments: SW-DeliquentFeesORD-2026-08-17
Exhibit A.pdf
Signed Ordinance 26-55

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

4A.B. 26-285 Ordinance No. 26-56 Amending Multiple Sections of Article 3 (Code of Ethics) of Chapter 1 (Administration, Personnel and Finance) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as Amended, Pertaining to the Code of Ethics

Presenter:
Caitlin Moldenhauer, Associate Attorney

Attachments: EthicsCodeRevisions-ORD-2026-6-3 draft
2026 Ethics Code Update - Council Presentation.pptx
Signed Ordinance 26-56

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

4A.C. 26-365 Ordinance No. 26-50 Of The City Of Colorado Springs, Colorado Providing For The Extension, Betterment, Other Improvement And Equipment Of The City Of Colorado Springs Utilities System; Providing For The Issuance And Sale Of The City Of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Utilities System Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2026a (Tax-Exempt) In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed $330,000,000, And The City Of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Utilities System Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2026b (Taxable) In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed $140,000,000, Payable Solely Out Of The Net Revenues To Be Derived From The Operation Of

The City Of Colorado Springs Utilities System; Authorizing The Execution By The City Of A Paying Agent Agreement, A Bond Purchase Agreement, And An Official Statement Related Thereto; And Providing Other Matters Relating Thereto.

Presenter:
Adam Hegstrom, Treasury and Finance Manager, Colorado Springs Utilities

Attachments: CSU 2026 AB Bond Ordinance Changed Page

CSU 2026 AB Bond Ordinance - DRAFT

9-8-26 CC - Utilities 2026AB, BABs Refunding Bond Ordinance Presentation (1)
Signed Ordinance 26-50

This Ordinance was finally passed on the Consent Calendar.

4B. First Presentation:

4B.B. 26-427 City Council Special Regular Meeting Minutes September 21, 2026

Presenter:
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: 9-21-2026 Special City Council Meeting Minutes Final

The Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

4B.C. 26-428 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes September 22, 2026

Presenter:
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: 9-22-2026 City Council Meeting Minutes Final

The Minutes were approved on the Consent Calendar.

4B.D. 26-337 A Resolution Adopting the Rules and Procedures of the Civil Service Commission of the City of Colorado Springs, effective September 8, 2026

Presenter:
Heather Edwards, Police Deputy Chief
Danielle Delgado, Fire Department Human Resources Manager
Christie McCall, Litigation/Employment Division Senior Attorney
Blongshia Lindsay, Boards and Commissions Program Administrator

Attachments: A Resolution Approving Amendments To The Rules Of The Colorado Springs Civil Service Commission For The Municipal Police And Fire Forces
CSC strikethrough Exhibit A 10.7
CSC rules clean version 10.7 Exh B
CSC-SummaryOfCivilServiceRules-AccessibleCopy
Signed Resolution 85-26

This Resolution was adopted on the Consent Calendar.

4B.E. 26-288 The City Clerk reports that on September 23, 2026, there was filed with her a petition for the annexation of Klein Addition No. 1 Annexation. The City Clerk herewith communicates such to City Council and recommends that the petition and map be referred to the City Administration for review and recommendation regarding whether the petition is in substantial compliance with Section 31-12-107(1).

Presenter:
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: Klein Addition No 1 - Vicinity Map
Owner Acknowledgement - Klein Addition No 1
Klein Add 1 petition 8-3-26
Klein Addition No 1 - Annexation Plat
Klein Addition No 1 - Legal Description

This Item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

4B.F. 26-289 The City Clerk reports that on September 23, 2026, there was filed with her a petition for the annexation of Klein Addition No. 2 Annexation. The City Clerk herewith communicates such to City Council and recommends that the petition and map be referred to the City Administration for review and recommendation regarding whether the petition is in substantial compliance with Section 31-12-107(1).

Presenter:
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: Klein Addition No 2 - Annexation Plat (Revised 1-13-2026) (1)
Klein Addition No 2 - Vicinity Map
Owner Acknowledgement - Klein 2
2025016-DESCRIPTION KLEIN NO 2_B
2025016-DESCRIPTION KLEIN NO 2 A
Klein Add 2 petition 9-8-26

This Item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

4B.G. 26-290

The City Clerk reports that on September 23, 2026, there was filed with her a petition for the annexation of Klein Addition No. 3 Annexation. The City Clerk herewith communicates such to City Council and recommends that the petition and map be referred to the City Administration for review and recommendation regarding whether the petition is in substantial compliance with Section 31-12-107(1).

Presenter:
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: Klein Addition No 3 - Vicinity Map
Owner Acknowledgement - Klein 3
2025017-DESCRIPTION KLEIN NO 3 A
2025017-DESCRIPTION KLEIN NO 3 B
Klein Add 3 petition 9-8-26
Klein Addition No 3 - Annexation Plat

This Item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

4B.H. 26-292

The City Clerk reports that on September 23, 2026, there was filed with her a petition for the annexation of Crow Foot Addition No. 1 Annexation. The City Clerk herewith communicates such to City Council and recommends that the petition and map be referred to the City Administration for review and recommendation regarding whether the petition is in substantial compliance with Section 31-12-107(1).

Presenter:
Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: Crow Foot Annex. petition
Crow Foot Addition No 1 - Annex Plat
Crow Foot Addition No 1 - Legal Description
Crow Foot Addition No 1 - Vicinity Map

This Item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

4B.I. ZONE-25-0029

Ordinance No. 26-57 amending the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs pertaining to 23.37 acres located at 0 East Platte Avenue near the intersection of East Platte Avenue and Wooten Road from BP/LI/cr/AP-O/APZ-1/APZ-2/SS-O (Business Park and Light Industrial with Conditions of Record, Airport Overlay, Accident Prevention Zone One, Accident Prevention Zone Two, and Streamside Overlay) to LI/AP-O/APZ-1/APZ-2, SS-O (Light Industrial with Airport Overlay, Accident Prevention Zone One, Accident Prevention Zone Two, and Streamside Overlay). (Quasi-judicial) (Second reading and public hearing).

Related Files: LUPL-25-0018
Located in Council District 4

Presenter:
Allison Stocker, Senior Planner, City Planning Department
Kevin Walker, Planning Director, City Planning Department

Attachments: ZONE-25-0029_Ordinance

Wagner Equipment Staff_Report

Attachment_1_Towne_East_Master_Plan

Attachment_2_Ord.91-67

Attachment_3_Project_Statement

Attachment_4_Land_Use_Plan

Exhibit_A_Legal_Descriptions

Exhibit_B_Zone_Map_Exhibit

Wagner_Equipment_CPC_Presentation_v3

7.5.704 ZONING MAP AMENDMENT (REZONING)

Wagner_Equipment_Presentation

This Ordinance was approved on first reading on the Consent Calendar.

4B.J. ZONE-24-0011 Ordinance No. 26-58 to amend the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs pertaining 1.20 acres located at 202, 251, and 252 East Las Animas Street from PDZ (Planned Development Zone; 15 dwelling units per acre, 60 feet maximum building height, single family attached and detached, apartments, condominiums, commercial, office, civic) to PDZ (Planned Development Zone; 184 dwelling units per acre, 950 square feet commercial, 65 feet maximum building height, residential - apartments, condominiums, live/work, and commercial - retail, office, and service). (Quasi-Judicial) (Second reading and public hearing)

Related Files: LUPL-24-0010
Council District: 3

Presenter:
William Gray, Senior Planner, City Planning Department
Kevin Walker, Director, City Planning Department

Attachments: Ordinance_Lowell Commons
Staff Report_Lowell Commons
Attachment 1-Vicinity Map
Attachment 2-The Poet Lofts Subdivision
Attachment 3-Site View
Attachment 4-Ordinance 99-189
Attachment 5-Ordinance 01-140
Attachment 6-Bristow Lowell URA Plan
Attachment 7-Lowell Conceptual Elevation
Attachment 8-Context Map
Attachment 9-Public Comment
Attachment 10-Neighborhood Meeting
Attachment 11-Project Statement
Attachment 12-Zoning Exhibit
Attachment 13-Major Modification Plan
Attachment 14-Approved Lowell Neighborhood Land Use Plan
Attachment 15-Land Use Statement
Attachment 16-Lowell Concept Massing
Attachment 17-Lowell Urban and Architecture Design Guide
Attachment 18-Street View
Exhibits A and B_Lowell Commons
Revised Land Use Statment_Lowell Commons_Addresses CPC Conditions
Draft CPC Minutes 9.9.26 - Lowell Commons
Staff Presentation_Lowell Commons

This Ordinance was approved on first reading on the Consent Calendar.

4B.K. ZONE-26-0013 Ordinance No. 26-59 amending the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs pertaining to 3.8 acres property located at 1907 South Murray Boulevard, a change from BP/SS-O/AP-O (Business Park with Streamside and Airport Overlays) to MX-N/SS-O/AP-O (Mixed-Use Neighborhood Scale with Streamside and Airport Overlays). (Quasi-Judicial) (Second Reading and Public Hearing)

Related Files: LUPL-26-0004
Located in Council District 4

Presenter:
Austin Cooper, Senior Planner, City Planning Department
Kevin Walker, Planning Director, City Planning Department

Attachments: Ordinance
Exhibit A
Exhibit B
Staff Report_Creekbend_APC_
Attachment 1 - Rezone Project Statement
Attachment 2 - Exhibit A and B
Staff Presentation
7.5.704 ZONING MAP AMENDMENT (REZONING)
CPC Excerpt Minutes 9.9.26 Draft

This Ordinance was approved on first reading on the Consent Calendar.

4B.L. ZONE-25-0017 Ordinance No. 26-60 amending the zoning map of the City of Colorado Springs pertaining to 4.88 acres located southeast of Tamlin Road and N Marksheffel Road from R5/CR/AP-O (Multi-Family - High with Conditions of Record and Airport Overlay) and R1-6/R5/CR/AP-O/SS-O (Single-Family - Medium, Multi-Family - High with Conditions of Record and Airport and Streamside Overlays) to PF/AP-O (Public Facilities with Airport Overlay).
(Quasi-Judicial) (Second Reading and Public Hearing)

Located in Council District 6

Presenter:
Austin Cooper, Senior Planner, City Planning Department
Kevin Walker, Planning Director, City Planning Department

Attachments: Ordinance
Exhibit A
Exhibit B
CPC Staff Report_ZONE-25-0017_
Attachment 1 - Project Statement
Attachment 2 - Land Use Statement
Attachment 3 - Exhibits A and B
Staff Presentation
7.5.704 ZONING MAP AMENDMENT (REZONING)
CPC Excerpt Minutes 9.9.26 Draft

This Ordinance was approved on first reading on the Consent Calendar.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Henjum, seconded by Councilmember Gold, that all matters on the Consent Calendar be passed, adopted, and approved by unanimous consent of the members present. The

motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

5. Recognitions

5.A. 26-433 A Proclamation Supporting El Paso County's Public Safety Sales Tax Renewal and the Continued Prioritization of Public Safety

Presenter:
Lynette Crow-Iverson, Council President and Councilmember At-Large

Attachments: El Paso County PSST Proclamation.pdf

President Crow-Iverson read the Proclamation supporting El Paso County's Public Safety Sales Tax Renewal and the continued prioritization of public safety.

El Paso Conty Sherriff Roybal expressed appreciation for the Proclamation and identified the number of incarcerations from Colorado Springs Police Department Officers,

Councilmember Henjum and Councilmember Donelson encouraged everyone to support the ballot measure.

Councilmember Gold stated she has not made a decision regarding which way she will vote on the ballot measure.

5.B. 26-429 A Resolution Recognizing October 2026 as Arts Month in the Pikes Peak Region

Presenter:
Dave Donelson, Councilmember District 1

Attachments: City of Colorado Springs '26 Arts Month Resolution.doc
Signed Resolution 86-26

Councilmember Donelson read the Resolution recognizing October 2026 as Arts Month in the Pikes Peak Region.

Angela Seals, Executive Director, Cultural Office of the Pikes Peak Region (COPPeR), provided an overview of the various art and cultural opportunities throughout the community, and encouraged everyone to participate in the City's arts economy throughout the year.

Councilmember Henjum spoke about the importance of art across the community.

Councilmember Gold stated art is important for mental health and stated there is a variety of art for everyone

Councilmember Donelson expressed support of this Resolution because art is a critical element of the City's history such as the architecture and statues.

Motion by Councilmember Gold, seconded by Councilmember Henjum, that the Resolution Recognizing October 2026 as Arts Month in the Pikes Peak Region be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

5.C. 26-430 A Resolution Recognizing October 2026 as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month

Presenter:
Brandy Williams, Councilmember District 3
Dusty Dezell, Information Systems Manager, City IT
Neil Randall, Cyber Security Analyst Senior, City IT

Attachments: Cybersecurity Awareness Month.doc
Signed Resolution 87-26

Councilmember Williams read a Resolution recognizing October 2025 as Cyber Security Awareness Month,

Dusty Dezell, Information Systems Manager, City IT, encouraged everyone to "Stop, Think, and Verify", use passphrases, password managers, multi-factor authentication, and update software patches.

Shawn Murray, President, Murray Security Services, spoke about the importance of protecting the community from cybersecurity threats.

Councilmember Williams and Councilmember Rainey explained how important cybersecurity is.

Motion by Councilmember Gold, seconded by Councilmember Rainey Jr., that the Resolution Recognizing October 2026 as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

5.D. 26-385 City Council Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees

Presenter:
Lynette Crow-Iverson, Council President and Councilmember At-Large

Attachments: 10132026 Boards Commissions and Committees Appointment
10132026 Downtown Review Board
10132026 LART Advisory Committee
10132026 Audit Committee
10132026 Stetson Hills SIMD Advisory Board

President Crow-Iverson presented the City Council Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

Several Councilmembers expressed appreciation for the nominees who wish to serve the City.

Jim Lovell , Lodgers and Automobile Rental Tax Citizen Advisory Committee nominee, identified the art showcased at the Colorado Springs Airport.

Motion by Councilmember Gold, seconded by Councilmember Rainey Jr., that the City Council Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees be approved. The motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

6. Mayor's Business

Wayne Williams, Chief of Staff, stated the bridge girders are going up for Powers Flying Horse Club Drive which is a voter approved, by 79.5 percent, road project to extend Powers Boulevard to connect it to I-25 on the north side, the North Nevada charettes, which is an intense, short-term collaborative workshop or period of focused work used to generate design solutions, build consensus, or solve complex planning problems before a deadline are taking place next week, on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday evenings and Saturday, the Peak Vista Breakfast of Champions will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2026 , the Sports Corp Hall of Fame event will be held on October 24, 2026, and the State of the City's presentation will be held on Friday morning, October 16, 2026.

7. Items Called Off Consent Calendar

4B.A. 26-426 City Council Special Regular Meeting Minutes September 17, 2026

Presenter:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk

Attachments: 9-17-2026 Special City Council Meeting Minutes Final

9-17-2026 Special City Council Meeting Minutes Final - Revised

Councilmember Gold stated she will not be supporting approving the meeting minutes because they do not reflect the true depth of the meeting.

Councilmember Henjum stated she used an AI assistant to find discrepancies or missing information by comparing a verbatim transcript with the summary minutes and requested the minutes be revised with her findings.

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk, explained how the minutes are completed and stated she will make the revisions.

Councilmember Donelson requested the minutes be postponed to the October 27, 2027 City Council meetings so that they have the opportunity to review the revisions prior to voting on them.

Motion by Councilmember Donelson, seconded by Councilmember Henjum, that the City Council Special Regular Meeting Minutes September 17, 2026 be postponed to the October 27, 2026 City Council meeting. The motion passed by a vote of 5-4-0-0

Aye: 5 - Casey, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, and Leinweber

No: 4 - Crow-Iverson, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

8. Utilities Business

8.A. 26-376 A Resolution Authorizing The Purchase Price For The Acquisition Of Permanent Easements On The Properties Identified By El Paso County Tax Schedule Numbers 6434100032, 6434100035, And 6434112004 And Located At Astrozon Boulevard To Be Used For The Kelker To South Plant Transmission Project

Presenter:
Jessica K. Davis, Land Resource Manager, Colorado Springs Utilities

Attachments: CC Resolution_EaseAcq_Eminent Domain_Lockwood_FINAL

UB Open Present_EaseACQ_Eminent Domain_Lockwood_FINAL-9-8-2026
Signed Resolution 88-26

Councilmember Donelson asked if Colorado Springs Utilities (CSU) received a Large Load application from Raedon. Travas Deal, Chief

Executive Officer, CSU, stated they have not.

Jessica K. Davis, Land Resource Manager, Colorado Springs Utilities (CSU), presented the Resolution authorizing the purchase price for the acquisition of permanent easements on the properties identified by El Paso County Tax Schedule Numbers 6434100032, 6434100035, and 6434112004 and located at Astrozon Boulevard to be used for the Kelker To South Plant Transmission Project. She provided an overview of the Kelker To South Plant Transmission Project, property information, status, settlement, and requested action.

Councilmember Gold stated she supports this Resolution and hopes the property owner will reclaim this property and remove the debris in the area.

Motion by Councilmember Donelson, seconded by Councilmember Gold, that the Resolution authorizing the purchase price for the acquisition of easements to be used for the Kelker to South Plant Transmission Project be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

9. Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business.

10. New Business

10.A. 26-383 A Resolution Amending the Lease of the City Auditorium to AVA Presents, LLC to Extend the Rent Abatement Period to April 1, 2027

Presenter:
Kim King, Assistant Director - Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
Kellie Billingsley, Real Estate Services Manager

Attachments: 9-21-2026 - City Auditorium Rent Abatement Update - PowerPoint
9-21-26 - Resolution - City Aud Lease Amendment Updated - Final draft
Signed Resolution 89-26

Kim King, Assistant Director, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, presented the Resolution amending the lease of the City Auditorium to AVA Presents, LLC to extend the rent abatement period to April 1, 2027.

President Pro Tem Risley made a motion that the rent abatement period not be extended again after April 1, 2027.

Councilmember Donelson and Councilmember Henjum stated he agrees with President Pro Tem Risley but does not feel the amendment is necessary because the new City Council could extend the rent abatement if they chose to.

Councilmember Leinweber asked if AVA Presents, LLC, is in agreement with the amendment. Jesse Morreale, Principal, AVA Presents, LLC confirmed they are.

Councilmember Williams stated she supports the Ordinance as originally proposed and the deadline may speed up the contractors.

Pro Tem Risley withdrew his motion to remove the option to not extend the rare abatement period.

Motion by Councilmember Gold, seconded by Councilmember Donelson, that the Resolution amending the lease of the City Auditorium to AVA Presents, LLC to extend the rent abatement period to April 1, 2027 be adopted. The motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

10.B. 26-395 Ordinance No. 26-61 Amending Ordinance 25-95 (2026 Budget Appropriation Ordinance) for a Supplemental Appropriation to multiple funds for the elimination of the November 25, 2026, Scheduled Furlough Day

Presenter:
Wayne Williams, Chief of Staff
Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: Furlough day cancellation for Nov 25 - presentation
Ordinance - Nov furlough day elimination - as amended on 10-13-26 - redline
Ordinance - Nov furlough day elimination - as amended on 10-13-26 - clean

Wayne Williams, Chief of Staff, presented the Ordinance for a supplemental appropriation to multiple funds for the elimination of the November 25, 2026, Scheduled Furlough Day.

Councilmember Henjum asked if it is permitted for an employee to take an unpaid day off on that day. Mr. Williams confirmed they could.

Councilmember Leinweber stated the City stole money from employees by

taking five to seven days of pay from them and the employees should get to take the day off with pay.

Councilmember Leinweber made a motion that furloughed employees get a paid day off on November 25. 2025.

Councilmember Donelson stated he supports the original Ordinance because City Council needs to be good stewards of taxpayer money.

Councilmember Rainey asked if this was discussed as an option. Mr. Williams stated the Administration did have a conversation regarding both options and they support both.

Councilmember Rainey stated he believes the proposed Ordinance strikes the right balance.

Councilmember Donelson stated he does not believe taxpayers' money should go to paying for City employees to have a day off when a furlough day is no longer needed.

Councilmember Gold and Councilmember Henjum stated they support Councilmember Leinweber's motion in order to show appreciation to City employees.

Councilmember Williams stated she will not be supporting Councilmember Leinweber's motion even though she does support City employees.

Councilmember Casey asked how many employees were not furloughed. Mr. Williams stated that approximately 2,000 employees were not subject to furloughs, including sworn firefighters and police officers.

Councilmember Casey stated he does not agree with the perception of giving a day off to some employees, but not others.

President Pro Tem Risley askedif the additional expense could be accommodated within the existing budget. Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer, stated it depends on the size of the department and how much savings they may, or may not, have generated by turnover.

President Pro Tem Risley asked what happens if a Department goes over

their budget. Ms. McDaniel explained the appropriation process.

Motion by Councilmember Leinweber, seconded by Councilmember Henjum, that the Ordinance be amended to make November 25, 2026 a paid day off for employees that were planned to be furloughed on this same day. The motion passed by a vote of 5-4-0-0

Aye: 5 - Crow-Iverson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, and Risley

No: 4 - Casey, Donelson, Rainey Jr., and Williams

President Pro Tem Risley stated he believes the General Fund would be able to absorb this change.

Mr. Williams stated that the furlough days were discussed as part of the budget that the City Council approved so it is appropriate to have the City Council approve a change to the budget. He stated that there is a risk in not doing a budget amendment because they do not know what could happen in the next four months that would require the use of the existing funding such as a snow event.

Ms. McDaniel stated the day would not be considered a holiday; it would be paid for as Award Time.

Councilmember Williams asked if the Administration could arbitrarily pay for time off. Mr. Willams stated it is not arbitrary, but there are provisions where the Mayor could award time off.

Motion by Councilmember Gold, seconded by Councilmember Rainey Jr., that the Ordinance approving the supplemental appropriation to the General Fund, CTF, PSST and TOPS funds to eliminate the November 25, 2026, furlough day as now amended to make it a paid day off for those furloughed employees be approved on first reading. The motion passed by a vote of 8-1-0-0

Aye: 8 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., and Williams

No: 1 - Risley

11. Public Hearing

11.A. SUBD-26-0010 Ordinance No. 26-62 vacating a portion of a public right-of-way known as Kettle Creek Road and consisting of approximately 2.42 acres located at 2060 Old Ranch Road.
(Legislative)

Located in Council District 2

Presenter:
Austin Cooper, Senior Planner, City Planning Department
Kevin Walker, Planning Director, City Planning Department

Attachments: Ordinance

Exhibit A - Legal Description

Exhibit B - Vacation Plat

Exhibit C - Project Statement

Exhibit D - Mineral Estate Certification

7.5.703 VACATION OF PUBLIC STREETS OR RIGHTS-OF- WAY

Staff Presentation Kettle Creek Right of Way Vacation Plat

Austin Cooper, Senior Planner, City Planning Department, presented the Ordinance vacating a portion of a public right-of-way known as Kettle Creek Road and consisting of approximately 2.42 acres located at 2060 Old Ranch Road. He provided an overview of the vicinity map, applications, project summary, plat, timeline of review, stakeholder involvement, agency review, PlanCOS compliance, application review criteria, and optional motions.

Councilmember Casey asked if this vacation went through the Planning Commission. Mr. Cooper stated it did not because vacations which do not have accompanying applications go straight to City Council.

Andrea Barlow, NES, representing the applicant, identified the location, vacation plat, Kettle Creek Filing No. 1 Development plan, and criteria of approval for vacation right of way.

Councilmember Casey asked if there will be a dedicated turn lane for access to the development. Ms. Barlow confirmed that they will be adding a dedicated left turn lane.

Citizen Jay Stoner spoke in opposition to the proposed vacation.

Ms. Barlow stated the properties are only required to have a fire access connection, and this specific vacation application does not relate to traffic generation or impacts.

Councilmember Casey stated he will follow up with the City's Traffic Engineering Department to see what they can do to calm traffic on Otero Avenue.

Motion by Councilmember Henjum, seconded by Councilmember Gold, that the Ordinance vacating a portion of public right-of-way known as Kettle Creek Road and consisting of approximately 2.42 acres located at 2060 Old Ranch Road, based upon the findings that the vacation of right-of-way complies with the criteria set forth in City Code Sections 7.5.703 and 7.5.522 be finally passed. The motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

12. Added Item Agenda

There were no items added to the Agenda.

13. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

14. Following a recess of the Regular City Council meeting, City Council shall reconvene as the Board of Directors of the Briargate General Improvement District 2021 for action on the following item:

14.A. 26-321 Request to set November 10, 2026 as the Public Hearing date for consideration of adopting the proposed 2027 Colorado Springs Briargate General Improvement District 2021 Budget and to advertise as required by law

Presenter:
Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Briargate GID 2021-2027 Bud
2027 Briargate GID 2021 Proposed Budget PDF

Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer, presented the request to set November 10, 2026 as the Public Hearing date for consideration of adopting the proposed 2026 Colorado Springs Briargate General Improvement District 2021 Budget of $2,248,833.00, with the mill levy unchanged, and to advertise as required by law.

Councilmember Casey asked if there will be additional information provided at the November 10, 2026 hearing. Ms. McDaniel stated the details are provided in the 2027 budget documents.

Motion by Councilmember Williams, seconded by President Pro Tem Risley, to establish November 10, 2026 as the date of the Public Hearing to consider the 2027 Colorado Springs Briargate General Improvement District 2021 budget. The motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

15. Following adjournment of the Board of Directors of the Briargate General Improvement District 2021, City Council shall reconvene as the Board of Directors of the Marketplace at Austin Bluffs General Improvement District for action on the following item:

15.A. 26-325 Request to set November 10, 2026 as the Public Hearing date for consideration of adopting the proposed 2027 Colorado Springs Marketplace at Austin Bluffs General Improvement District Budget and to advertise as required by law

Presenter:
Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Marketplace at Austin Bluffs GID_10 13 26
2027 MAB Budget

Charae McDaniel, Chief Financial Officer, presented the request to set November 10, 2026 as the Public Hearing date for consideration of adopting the proposed 2027 Colorado Springs Marketplace at Austin Bluffs General Improvement District Budget of $545,325.00, with the mill levy unchanged, and to advertise as required by law.

Motion by Councilmember Henjum, seconded by Councilmember Donelson, to establish November 10, 2026 as the date of the Public Hearing to consider the 2027 Colorado Springs Marketplace at Austin Bluffs General Improvement District budget. The motion passed by a vote of 9-0-0-0

Aye: 9 - Casey, Crow-Iverson, Donelson, Gold, Henjum, Leinweber, Rainey Jr., Risley, and Williams

16. Following adjournment of the Board of Directors of theMarketplace at Austin Bluffs General Improvement District, City Council shall reconvene their meeting

17. One Hour of Citizen Discussion for Items not on Today's Agenda per City Council Rules

Citizen Steve Lighfoot stated Stephen King killed John Lennon.

Citizens Joyce Tivis and Lonnie Meera spoke against the sale of the Meadows Park Community Center to Holdings, LLC.

Citizen Kyle McGuffey requested transparency of Colorado Springs Police Department records.

Citizen Taylor Gray spoke about the difference between heroes and villains and spoke against Project Taurus and FLOCK cameras.

Citizen Caleb Miller stated the City needs Law Enforcement Transparency Committee (LETAC) and spoke against the date the Project Taurus postponement date, the use of Axon in the City, and the raise for Travis Deal, Chief Executive Officer, Colorado Springs Utilities.

Citizen Kristy Morgan requested full transparency regarding the amount of money spent defending Colorado Springs Police Department (CSPD) Officers regarding the case involving her goat, Jameson, that she stated was wrongfully seized by CSPD Officers and then euthanized.

18. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before City Council, Council adjourned at 12:20 PM.

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk