

**CITY OF YUMA CITY OF YUMA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**HYBRID REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR SWEHLA AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Baucke, Frame, Shay, Swehla, Smith-Dischner, Benish, McClung.

STAFF PRESENT: Karma Wells and Scott Moore.

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 21, 2023 AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve the November 21, 2023 Agenda. Second by Benish. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 7, 2023 MINUTES

Council Member Baucke moved to approve the November 7, 2023 Minutes. Second by Shay. Question. 6 ayes. 1 abstain (Smith-Dischner abstained because she was absent from the meeting). Motion carried.

CITIZENS RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR J & L LIQUOR LLC DBA LOG CABIN LIQUORS – LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY, KARMA WELLS.** City Clerk/Treasurer Karma Wells stated J & L Liquor turned in all appropriate paperwork to renew their liquor license. There were no issues with the Police Department. Council Member Smith-Dischner moved to approve the liquor license renewal for J & L Liquor LLC. Second by Shay. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- B. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #7, SERIES OF 2023 (APPROPRIATE SUMS OF MONEY & ADOPT 2024 BUDGET) – KARMA WELLS.** City Clerk/Treasurer Karma Wells stated there will be some changes because the Governor and Legislature are making changes to the property tax and the Mill Levy and will not have information on that until the first part of January. First reading will be tonight and we will be moving the January 2nd meeting to January 8th to be able to get the mill levy to the County by January 10th. Ordinance #7 was introduced for the 2024 budget. Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve the First Reading of Ordinance #7, Series of 2023. Second by McClung. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- C. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #8, SERIES OF 2023 (SET MILL LEVY) – KARMA WELLS.** City Clerk/Treasurer Karma Wells stated evaluations came from the County at the end of August. The evaluation was \$30,452,870. The mill levy will not change but the evaluation will change when the County sends another evaluation the first part of January. Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve the First Reading of Ordinance #8, Series of 2023. Second by Frame. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

- D. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE #9, SERIES OF 2023 (AMEND 2023 BUDGET) – KARMA WELLS.** City Clerk/Treasurer Karma Wells stated the only fund to amend is the General Fund. The projected general fund number would need to be increased by \$372,097. Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to approve First Reading of Ordinance #9, Series of 2023 to amend the 2023 budget. Second by Benish. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- E. APPROVAL OF BILLS – KARMA WELLS.** City Clerk/Treasurer Karma Wells stated an additional list of bills was handed out to Council and there are none to disclose. Council Member Smith-Dischner moved to approve the bills. Second by Shay. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- F. PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 – SCOTT MOORE.** There were no purchases in excess of \$5,000.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

CITY MANAGER, SCOTT MOORE

The flower boxes on Main will be moved in the first part of the following week.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER, KARMA WELLS

The August Financial Report and the current Sales Tax report were provided.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

McClung –

Council Member McClung attended the Pool Committee meeting. They looked at new system for the pool. Scott reported on consultant findings that anticipate reusing some equipment. The chemical system and piping look good. Hoping for 2025 to have the pool open.

Baucke –

Council Member Baucke would like to see a waterslide would be nice to have at the swimming pool to add attraction. Maybe raise money for a waterslide.

Benish –

Council Member Benish attended the Community and Enrichment Center Committee meeting. There is not a lot to report. We discussed what to do with the gym that is upstairs.

Frame –

Council Member Frame attended the Ambulance Committee meeting. Keriann discussed a possible ambulance grant for the 2025 or 2026 budget item.

YCED received the Destination Mentorship Grant which allows tech support for businesses. The Nano Bubble Company is meeting in January with Shelby. Shelby has applied for an intern through CSU for May through August to help YCED through their projects.

McClung –

Council Member McClung attended the Parks and Rec Committee Meeting. We discussed irrigating at Veterans Park.

Benish –

Council Member Benish stated the water level was raised at Veterans Park.

Shay –

Mayor Pro Tem Shay attended NECALG, Yuma County Landfill & Yuma County Water Authority Meetings. Landfill rates will increase \$2.50/ton.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL

“To consider personnel matters, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session, specifically for the City Manager, City Clerk/Treasurer and Chief of Police evaluations.”

Mayor Swehla stated Council intends to meet in executive session to consider personnel matters, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session, specifically for the City Manager and City Clerk/Treasurer evaluations. Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to go into Executive Session. Second by McClung. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Council resumed the regular session. A statement was made for who was present in executive session and there were no objections to the discussions in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Shay moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Baucke. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm

Ron Swehla
Mayor

Karma Wells, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer