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THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTALES met in regular session Tuesday, August 21, 2012, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Portales City Hall in full conformity with the rules and regulations. Mayor King called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk Martinez-Terry to call roll. Those present and constituting a quorum were:

MAYOR:	Sharon L. King	
MAYOR PRO-TEM:	Ronald L. Jackson	
COUNCIL MEMBERS:	Matthew Tod Hunton Leo Lovett Michael Lenard Lucero Dianne Y. Parker	Antonio Salguero Oscar Robinson (absent) Keith A. Thomas
STAFF PRESENT:	Tom Howell, City Manager Joan Martinez-City Clerk Steve Doerr, City Attorney Dennis Hales, I.T. Dir. Gary Nuckols, Fire Chief	Mark Cage, Police Lieutenant Marilyn Rapp, Finance Dir. Johnny DeSha, Public Wks. Dir. Keith Wattenbarger, Emerg. Mgmt. Dir.
OTHERS PRESENT:	Christina Calloway, Press John Guldemann, Constructors, Inc. Jim Landfair	Pat Garcia, NMDOT Paul Smith, Constructors, Inc.

Mayor King asked Keith Wattenbarger, Emergency Management Director, to give the invocation, and Police Lieutenant Mark Cage, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the Salute to the New Mexico flag.

(A) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S):**1. Regular Meeting of August 7, 2012.**

Mayor King asked for Council to consider and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 7, 2012. *Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 7, 2012 as presented. Councilor Parker seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions.*

(B) UPDATE—U.S. HIGHWAY 70 IMPROVEMENTS

Mayor King asked for a report on the U.S. Highway 70 improvements. John Guldemann of Constructors, Inc. commented that the rain had put them behind schedule, but that they are proceeding on redoing the base and hope to get back on track soon. Pat Garcia, NMDOT, apologized for not coming to the previous Council meeting. Garcia explained that they had been working at night and that they are now getting back on schedule. He told the Council that the plan is to get Avenue J and K opened back up to get the university traffic flowing again. Guldemann introduced Mr. Paul Smith as the new supervisor on the job. Mayor King thanked them for their report.

(C) RATIFICATION OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS REGARDING BILLS FOR JULY 2012

Mayor King asked Marilyn Rapp, Finance Director, to report on the city's bills for July 2012. Ms. Rapp told the Council that the Finance/Administration Committee had reviewed the July 2012 bills. She told the Council that the amount of the bills for the month was \$1,338,817.68, and asked for questions and for ratification of the bills.

July 2012

Pooled Cash Fund	999	\$1,338,817.68
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Mayor King asked for action from the Council. *Councilor Parker made the motion to ratify the payment of the bills for July 2012 as presented. Councilor Lovett seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions.*

(D) RATIFICATION OF MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NM DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FY 2013-\$5311 FUNDING FOR THE P.A.T. PROGRAM

Mayor King asked for a report on the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the NM Department of Transportation for the FY 2013-\$5311 funding for the P.A.T. program. City Manager Howell told the Council that this MOA was delayed in the mail and had to be returned for processing in time for the new fiscal year. Mayor King commented that she had signed the MOA because it was late. Howell explained that the total amount of the funding is \$90,686.00 of federal money and a match of \$57,752.00 for a total of \$148,438.00. He stated that funds Administrative amount (80/20) is \$48,390.00 and the Operating amount (50/50) is \$93,548.00 with \$6,500.00 as Capital (80/20) for the Portales Area Transit program. Councilor Lovett asked for a ridership report from Ms. Kryder for the P.A.T. Program. City Manager Howell stated that Ms. Kryder is required to maintain records of ridership on the buses and that the way she has to count them is per trip (return trip counts as separate trip) not per person. Mayor Pro-

Tem Jackson asked for clarification of what occurred to require that the MOA be executed prior to this meeting. Staff explained that the MOA was not received by the City but that the NMDOT had to have it back in such a short turnaround time that it had to be signed prior to this meeting. The MOA is a standard agreement for funding. Mayor King asked for approval or action from the Council. ***Councilor Lovett made the motion to ratify the Mayor's execution of the Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the NM Department of Transportation for funding for the P.A.T. program. Councilor Parker seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions.***

(E) DISCUSSION/ACTION ON HIRING A LOBBYIST FOR THE CITY OF PORTALES

Mayor King asked Councilors Lovett, Hunton and Thomas to present the lobbyist issue. Councilor Lovett stated that he understood that it is in the budget to hire a lobbyist (at least for a couple of years). He commented that the budget has \$25,000.00 to hire a lobbyist. He commented that last year there wasn't enough money at the State Legislature to warrant hiring a lobbyist, but that this year there is money available and that it would benefit the City of Portales to hire a lobbyist for more funding. He commented that he would recommend that the City Manager be authorized to negotiate a contract up to the \$25,000.00 budgeted for a lobbyist. Councilor Lovett asked if the City had ever hired an actual lobbyist. City Manager Howell stated that when Mike Miller was on the Council he used to do it. Councilor Lovett stated that Mike Miller was who he was looking at for lobbyist for the City. Lovett commented that Miller is intimately involved with the City, attends our meetings and has worked for the County as well. He commented that he understands that it is normal practice for a city and county to use the same lobbyist. Councilor Lovett stated that County Manager Charlene Webb had spoken highly of Mr. Miller; and that even though he represents the hospital districts and they have a different view of getting funds from the legislature, he is able to lobby for the County as needed and is able to keep those interests separate. He commented that Ms. Webb had stated that she thought that Miller could do the same for the City. Councilor Salguero asked if the lobbyist would be working the whole year or only for a certain time of the year. Councilor Lovett stated that he would recommend that it be based on a contract that the City Manager could negotiate, but that it would be for year round because there are committee meetings and other things that a lobbyist could do for the City and the pay would be pro-rated out through the year not just in one lump sum. City Manager Howell stated that Miller's pay is a set amount divided by 12 months and he agreed that there are a number of legislative committees and that whoever the Council would hire should be for year round work. Councilor Salguero expressed concern that it would be for more than what is in the budget. Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson stated that it would be just for the amount of the contract. City Manager Howell stated that, if the Council approves the lobbyist, then a contract for professional services would be negotiated and brought back to the Council for review and approval. Councilor Parker asked if the City would have to go out for proposals or because it is under \$50,000.00 (the amount in state procurement rules) the Council could just select a lobbyist. She stated that then she agreed with Councilor Lovett. She stated that she felt that it would be beneficial for the City to have Mike Miller as the City's lobbyist. Councilor Lucero asked if the Council would get a report of what he lobbies for the City. City Manager Howell responded that the contract would establish the scope of work, which is really set by the ICIP. Mayor King asked the pleasure of the Council. ***Councilor Lovett made the motion for the City Manager to negotiate a contract for a year and to bring it back before the Council for approval. Councilor Parker seconded the motion. Council members present voted 3 in favor of the motion and 4 against. Motion denied. No abstentions.***

(F) NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 698, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, DELETING AND REPLACING PARTS AND SECTIONS OF ARTICLE VII, LODGERS' TAX ORDINANCE. THIS ARTICLE IS KNOWN AS "THE LODGERS' TAX ORDINANCE"

Mayor King asked Finance Director Marilyn Rapp to introduce the changes to Ordinance No. 698, which was tabled at the last meeting. Ms. Rapp told the Mayor that it was tabled at the last meeting because staff had looked at it again right before the meeting and decided that it needed a little more work, but that staff is ready to bring it to the Council at this time. She commented that looking back at the ordinance, it had not been amended since 1978 and that the State has changed the statute since then. She told the Council that the purpose of the amendments was to mirror the state statute more closely. She pointed out the summary of the changes were clearly marked for their review. Ms. Rapp commented that the action requested at this time is for the Council to adopt the Notice of Intent to amend the ordinance and that the changes were shown clearly in the documents in their packet. She stated that the ordinance would be heard on the second Council meeting in September. She reviewed the changes made to the ordinance to include changes to the definition section; to allow payment for security services and for ambulance services for events; additional wording in the exemption section; deletion of the licensing section; additional wording in the liens section, the advisory board section; and changed wording in the penalty clause section of the ordinance. She commented that the changes include renumbering of the code. She asked for questions from the Council. Councilor Lovett asked Ms. Rapp if the changes made match up with what the state has in its statutes. Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson asked if it would be freed up for other things needed. Ms. Rapp responded that it depended on whether the request for funding from Lodgers' Tax included additional items needed for events. Mayor King asked the pleasure of the Council. *Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson made the motion to approve the Notice of Intent to adopt Ordinance No. 698, amending, deleting and replacing parts and sections of Article VII, Lodgers' Tax. Councilor Hunton seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in unanimous support of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions.*

Councilor Parker asked if the local hotels were full right now. Ms. Rapp stated that she did not know if the local motels are full—the information received is just a total of sales for the month. She commented that she imagined that they are pretty full due to the fair and ENMU. Councilor Parker asked if the City knew where the workers on the state highway project were staying. Ms. Rapp responded that she did not know, but that she thought that some of them probably stay at some long-term hotels. There was discussion of lodgers' tax qualified lodging with Ms. Rapp explaining that if the stay is for 30 days it is then considered a rental and not lodging for the purpose of triggering the tax.

(G) RESOLUTION #12-13-09, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENT FOR CAPITAL APPROPRIATION PROJECT #12-1365-STB FOR WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

Mayor King asked Public Works Director John DeSha to present Resolution #12-13-09, authorizing her to sign the agreement with the State for water system improvements. Mr. DeSha told the Council that this capital appropriation project is for the grant agreement to improve circulation and fire protection in part of the City over by Brown School. He told the Council that the resolution authorizes the Mayor's execution of the grant agreement and sets him as the contact person. DeSha told the Council that there is \$20,000.00 in the budget for engineering, planning and design for this project. Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson asked if the area of the project had already pinpointed. DeSha responded that it is one of the areas that staff is looking at to improve, but that could change. He stated that there is a water line over by Brown School that is in bad shape and needs better circulation and fire protection for the school. Councilor Lovett asked if the City didn't have to pinpoint it to agree to the grant. DeSha responded that the agreement is written to allow improvements anywhere that the Council would select as long as it was

for a water project. He stated that the amount allocated is enough to improve the line by Brown School. Mayor King asked the pleasure of the Council. ***Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson made the motion to adopt Resolution #12-13-09, authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the NM Department of Environment for Capital Appropriation Project #12-1365-STB for water system improvements. Councilor Parker seconded the motion. Roll call vote of all Councilors present resulted in unanimous support of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions.***

(H) RESOLUTION #12-13-10. A RESOLUTION AMENDING & SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION #05-06-39. SETTING CITY OF PORTALES UTILITY POLICIES

Mayor King asked Mr. DeSha to present on the resolution amending and superseding Resolution #05-06-39, which set the City's utility administrative policies. Mr. DeSha reported that the staff had reviewed the utility policies that set the meter deposits and fees for reconnections and for returned check fees to bring the language up to date. He told the Council that the changes include raising the meter deposits from \$60.00 to \$100.00. He told the Council that the meter deposits had been set for the City to be able to collect 2 minimum water bills. He told the Council that the changes also raise the commercial deposits up to \$80.00 per unit as opposed to \$40.00 for the same reason. He commented that a minimum bill is \$59.88 for 3,000 gallons of water. He stated that the changes included bringing up service connection fees to \$25.00 from \$7.50; and doing away with the charge for after hour's emergency disconnects. He stated that the changes include taking service connect orders until 4 p.m.; after hour's reconnections for non-payment increased from \$17.50 to \$40.00; bills to be paid by the 20th of the month before being subject to disconnection; returned check fees will be \$35.00 and a customer can only have 2 returned checks in a twelve month period; and wording change that the City "may" charge an additional reconnection fee if the customer turns his/her water back on after being disconnected for non-payment. Mayor King and City Attorney Doerr suggested that this should be "shall" or "will" not "may." Mayor King stated that she thought it should be stronger than the word "may." DeSha stated that this change can be made. Councilor Parker stated that it should say "will" instead of "may." Councilor Lovett commented that there was another place where the word "may" should go back to "will." Mayor pointed out the section as 4.4 and agreed that this should say "will." Desha asked the Council to look in section 9 under payment arrangements, staff took out where the length of time for payment arrangements was two weeks and made it "no later than the 4th of the following month." He commented that there have been people who take advantage of the payment arrangement and drag it out until the next billing period. DeSha asked them to look at section 9.3 referred it back to Section 8; and in section 10 the returned check fee was changed to \$35.00, which is more in line with what other businesses charge. Councilor Lovett pointed out that section 11 (D) states that the returned check fee "may" be charged to the customer. Mr. DeSha said that this would be changed to "will." He asked that the Council look at section 10.3 regarding handling of returned checks adding the wording "or until the 20th of the month, whichever is later" to give the customer a chance to take care of the returned check. Councilor Lovett asked about changing the part in this section to something besides sending them to Municipal Court if they don't come in and take care of the returned check. City Manager Howell said that one of the things that staff has been talking about is turning them over to a collection agency and get out of the court business. The Council liked that suggestion. Mayor King asked Mr. DeSha to change that to say "turned over to a collection agency." Mr. DeSha said that he would make that change. He asked them to look at the next section, which states that the City reserves the right to refuse checks from customers who have two (2) returned checks in a twelve month period. He added that this falls right in closely with the B/N policy, which limits extensions to two (2) in a twelve month period (from the last time you had an extension). He pointed out that meter test fee was increased to \$25.00 from \$10.00 in section 11, and that a meter and tampering fee was added and staff looked at "may" because we wanted the ability to either charge them for it or not. He gave the example of people stealing the meter or breaking the dial out so we can't read it. He commented that staff left it at "may" because if someone is a landowner and the account is still in their name we didn't want to penalize them for what their renters did. Mayor King asked what he

considered tampering. She asked if someone cutting off his own water would be considered tampering. DeSha responded that we have had people piling chunks of concrete to keep us from reading it, or they have gone in there and actually tampered with the meter. He commented that the AMR meters are being installed now and they go in and cut the wires so that the meter doesn't read. Councilor Parker asked why we wouldn't want to charge the landowner—she stated that the landowner is ultimately responsible for the water. City Manager Howell commented that many times we can't prove who did the tampering—he stated that in his experience he has seen where little kids running through the alley have tampered with meters. He stated that you must be able to prove who did the tampering. Mr. DeSha stated that this section just gives us the ability, if we can prove it; we can make that money back. City Attorney Doerr asked what the charge was based upon. DeSha stated that is what it costs to replace the meter. City Attorney Doerr commented that it should be based on actual cost. Mayor King asked that it should say "determined on actual damage." DeSha agreed to make that change. He asked the Council to look at section 13.2, which he said just tightened up the wording in the case of a meter that was not read properly to allow the billing clerk to adjust the bill. He asked for further questions. He stated that he felt that this would help in dealing with some of the more difficult customers. The Mayor offered her copy of the policy to Mr. DeSha to use as he felt appropriate. DeSha stated that it would be no problem to make those changes. Mayor King asked for further questions or comments. Councilor Lovett asked DeSha how much he thought the City had lost because of the lower residential meter deposit. DeSha stated that the Billing Supervisor would have to go back and really calculate that amount. He added that the base bill has only gone up dramatically since the City changed the rate per thousand gallons. He commented that he could have Karen Chandler, the Billing Supervisor do that, but he stated that he didn't think it was a tremendous amount. City Manager Howell reminded the Council that those people who have deposits now won't see the increase, unless they close their accounts or have the inability to pay the bill and we close them out. Mayor King asked if everyone had to pay that deposit or was there a way around it like if they went away for six months and had a good record, would they still have to the deposit. DeSha answered that they would still have to pay a deposit. City Manager Howell stated that the customer does have the option of leaving their deposit on hold and not taking their money out. Mayor King asked if they could leave the deposit here and not get a refund. DeSha answered affirmatively. Councilor Salguero asked if the customer left the deposit on hold and came back, would they have to put up the \$100.00 (pay the \$40.00 difference). DeSha explained that when the account is finalized, the deposit is applied to the balance that is owed on the account. He stated that the new deposit is only for new accounts; as long as the account is not closed out, then the same deposit will apply. He commented that there are some people who have been here so long that he stated he didn't know if they even paid a deposit. He commented that the increased deposit is only so that if someone skips out on us that we have the amount of their first and last bill amount. Councilor Lovett commented that he was looking at it from the perspective that if the City wasn't losing money, then he would not be in favor of the increased deposit. He added that this is why he asked about the loss to the city due to the lower deposit. DeSha commented that he felt that the charges were still at the lower end of what other places are charging. He stated that in Spearman, Texas, the City was charging \$350.00 deposit for water, sewer, trash and gas. Mayor King asked for a motion. City Clerk Martinez-Terry asked that the Council table it for changes as directed. Mayor King asked for a motion to table. ***Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson made the motion to table this resolution until changes are made as directed by the Council. Councilor Parker seconded the motion. All Councilors present voted in support of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions.***

(I) INDUSTRIAL WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT(S):

1. Approval of Permit for Hampton Farms dba Portales Select Peanuts.

Mayor King asked Public Works Director DeSha to present the industrial waste discharge permits. Mr. DeSha told the Council that the application for a permit was submitted for the sewer line lift station that was built for Hampton Farms and WDT. Mr. DeSha told the Council that Hampton Farms deals with

peanuts and that this is for the area that comes from their brine area. He stated that Hampton Farms will be discharging brine water and maybe a few peanuts shells. He stated that staff had done a test on it and it came back virtually clear. He commented it had a small amount of BOD in it and virtually no TSS. He commented that it would be a small amount from 4 to 6 thousand gallons per month. He explained that BOD was the acronym for Biological Oxygen Demand, which gives you the indication of the strength of the sewage. He added that the higher the number the stronger the sewage. He stated that the TSS is Total Suspended Solids, which is how much material is actually floating in the discharge. DeSha stated that, in their case, it is not bad at all. He stated that this was done at the request of the Environment Department. He stated that it is such a small amount that we'll never notice it. Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson asked if this was standard amounts. DeSha answered that it is standard. Mayor King asked if this was the new line that LEDA funds were used to build. DeSha said that it was. He commented that the Hampton Farms and WDT project is down to tying the two businesses in and hooking the electrical up and that the inspection on the line has already been done. Mayor King asked if WDT and Hampton Farms were going on the same line. DeSha stated that they did, but that they have different permits. Mayor King asked if they could be handled with one motion or had to be split out. City Attorney Doerr responded that the Council should take each permit separately. Mayor King asked the pleasure of the Council. ***Councilor Lovett made the motion to approve the Industrial Waste Discharge Permit for Hampton Farms dba Portales Select Peanuts as presented. Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions.***

2. Approval of Permit for Western Dairy Transport, LLC.

Mayor King asked Mr. DeSha to report on the industrial waste discharge permit requested by Western Dairy Transport, LLC. Mr. DeSha told the Council that Western Dairy Transport, LLC (WDT) is using this for their sewage as well as for where they are cleaning out their milk tanks and trucks. He stated that WDT has been dumping on us for a while, bringing truck loads out to the plant and the strength of their waste has been very, very strong, but they are working to bring it down. He stated that we have found out that they are washing twice as many trucks with the same amount of water with their new system. He commented that the strength is double there and then they are leaving it in the tank longer, which makes it stronger. DeSha stated that WDT has been adding chemicals that brings the strength down closer into the range that will allow them to comply with this permit. He commented that the City would get their sewage also, but that this should not be a problem. He commented that if they go above the BOD rate, they will have to pay a higher rate. He stated that it would not be a tremendous amount that the City's plant would be getting and that it would have plenty of time to dilute as it comes out. Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson asked how often the strength of the effluent would be tested. DeSha responded that it would be tested once a week. City Manager Howell told the Council that industries pay a surcharge in accordance with the ordinance for BOD that is higher than allowed by the permit. Mayor King asked the pleasure of the Council. ***Councilor Parker made the motion to approve the Industrial Waste Discharge Permit for Western Dairy Transport, LLC as presented. Councilor Hunton seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions***

3. Approval of Renewal of Permit for Southwest Cannery, Inc.

Mayor King asked Mr. DeSha to report on the request to renew the industrial waste discharge permit for Southwest Cannery, Inc. DeSha stated that this is an application to renew their existing permit. He stated that the levels are the same as what they had before. He commented that from time to time they do go over, but they work with the City to let us know when they have spills so we can prepare the plant for it. DeSha told the Council that his recommendation was to go ahead and renew their permit. Mayor King asked for questions or comments. ***Mayor Pro-Tem Jackson made the motion to approve the renewal of the Industrial Waste Discharge Permit with Southwest Cannery as presented.***

Councilor Parker seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried. No abstentions.

Mayor King asked that Mr. DeSha go back on his permits and add the date. Mr. DeSha stated that he would do so.

(J) OTHER BUSINESS/CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mayor King asked for items of other business.

Councilor Lucero asked about the legality of smoke shops selling certain items such as "spice." Lt. Mark Cage responded to his question stating that the Police Department is working with the District Attorney's office about smoke shops selling synthetic marijuana, which is illegal. Mayor King commented that it is difficult to control the smoke shops because of changes to chemical ingredients in "spice." Lt. Cage stated that the Department is continuing to work with the District Attorney's office on the issue.

Mayor King reported that she had been in Monterrey, California during the last Council meeting attending the conference held by the Association of Defense Communities. She commented that representatives of Clovis had also attended, and that all had come back with lots of good ideas.

Lt. Mark Cage told the Council that the Police Department is sending two police sergeants to training to learn how to teach life choices, problem solving and anti-bullying methods to kids in the absence of the SRO program. They will promote the information they get at the Jr. High and at Lindsey-Steiner school. He commented that this program will take the place of the old DARE program. He commented that the department would send more officers to the training if it worked well. Mayor asked for information to be sent to the Council if there is anything they can do to help. Councilor Parker expressed her support of the program.

Fire Chief Nuckols reported that the Firemen will be out on Avenue C at both stop lights for 4 hours on Wednesday and Thursday for the "Fill the Boot" effort for MDA. He commented that it looked like it was a good day today and that the Firemen will do it for two nights at the county fair. He stated that the Fire Department will also have an EMS and First Aid booth at the fair. Mayor King commented that she was curious to see whether there would be fewer donations this year.

Emergency Management Director Keith Wattenbarger reported that the Roosevelt County Commission has authorized the Department to procure a surplus ambulance to use as a command radio communications unit to help the county fire departments in their firefighting efforts. He told the Council that he would bring back a resolution for an emergency plan in the near future. Mayor King asked fire and police to put together something for the public to know how they can help in case of emergencies. Wattenbarger told the Council that the LEPC meets the third Wednesday of each month for one hour. He added that the next meeting would be on the 26th.

City Manager Howell told the Council that they should have a packet of information for the upcoming NM Municipal League Conference in their mailboxes. Mayor King commented that there will also be a water workshop the day before the conference begins. Howell told the Council that transportation will be available for anyone who would need a ride to the conference.

Councilor Parker asked City Manager Howell what is happening at Cannon Meadows. Howell responded that the property is going back into private ownership; and that the owner plans to have most of the homes rehabilitated and that he is building fences around the subdivision. Howell told the Council that the contract is set to expire, but that it will be open to everyone who wants to rent.

Councilor Parker asked about the status of the Grand Hotel. City Manager Howell commented that the work is still moving forward, but that it is moving very slowly.

(K) EXECUTIVE SESSION/CLOSED EXECUTIVE MEETING:

1. **Action to Convene in a Closed Session/Meeting to Discuss Matters as Provided for Under New Mexico Statutes Pertaining to Open Meetings Referencing §10-15-1 H.(2), 1995, for Limited Personnel Matters.**

No Executive Session held.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business or comments, Mayor King adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Joan Martinez-Terry, City Clerk