

**CITY COMMISSION
CITY OF TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES, NEW MEXICO
FEBRUARY 3, 2015
ACTION MINUTES**

TIME & PLACE: The Mayor and the City Commission of the City of Truth or Consequences in the County of Sierra, and State of New Mexico met in Special Session in full conformity with the law and ordinances of said Commission in the Commission Chambers of said City February 3, 2015, with the meeting starting at 6:00 P.M.

PRESIDING OFFICER: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sandra Whitehead, who presided and Judy M. Harris, City Clerk acted as Secretary of the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: Upon calling the roll the following Commissioners were reported present:

Hon. Sandra Whitehead, Mayor
Hon. Steve Green, Mayor Pro-Tem
Hon. Jeff Richter, Commissioner
Hon. Kathy Clark, Commissioner

Also present:

Juan Fuentes, City Manager
Jay Rubin, City Attorney
Judy M. Harris, City Clerk

QUORUM: There being a quorum present the Commission proceeded with business at hand.

CEREMONY: Mayor Sandra Whitehead called for 15 seconds of silent meditation.

Mayor Sandra Whitehead called for Commissioner Kathy Clark to lead the Pledge.

Mayor Sandra Whitehead called for approval of the Agenda.

“Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Green moved to approve the Agenda as presented.”

Seconded by Commissioner Kathy Clark.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**COMMENTS FROM
THE PUBLIC:**

Ron Fenn, 316 N. Foch, approached and made comments regarding the use of the Senior Center as a Visitor Center, he spoke of GRT and paperwork that was not in the packet.

Sophia Peron made comments regarding the piano at Lee Belle, she noted it belonged to Dr. Eve Elting, and would cost about \$500 to move. She also mentioned Scheduling.

Audon Trujillo made the comment that the Lease agreement for tonight's meeting was not in the packet, no way to study.

Betty Brannon made the comment that she still thinks it's the finest idea (regarding the Visitor Center); she also stated the Chamber of Commerce had voted for this and was backing the idea 100%.

Sherry Fletcher, 602 Broadway, made comments regarding the Lee Belle being the perfect place for this; she stated she was proud to see this place we can showcase.

Naydene Gardner made comments regarding the Visitor Center, she thought it would represent the City and the County; she noted the Commissioners were thinking out of the box.

Jim Brannon made comments regarding him being in favor of the Visitor Center, like the idea of a one stop shop.

Linda DeMarino, MainStreet, made comments that MainStreet is in full support of the Commission using Lee Belle as a Visitor Center. She noted most people don't even know we have a downtown, and noted MainStreet's support.

Mike Kertesz made comments that he supports the Visitor Center endeavor, as long as the transportation for Seniors is taken care of.

Syd Bryan, Pelican, made comments that he supports the Visitor Center and told the Commission to keep it up.

Hans Townsend, Chamber of Commerce, made comments regarding the Visitor Center, noting it is a step in the right direction; noting this will benefit the Community.

**RESPONSE TO
PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Green noted that in regarding transportation for elderly to the Civic Center, he stated he spoke to Tony MacRoberts and Joe McClintock, who assured him they were in the transportation business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion/Action: Agreement between the City of Truth or Consequences and Follow The Sun Tours.

City Manager Juan Fuentes explained that we are still working on finalizing the Agreement before the next meeting. He noted what he would like is for the Commission to instruct Staff to move forward on this project, and bring it back at the February 10th meeting.

“Mayor Pro-Tem Steve Green moved to authorize Staff to move forward on the Agreement, and bring this back for the February 10th meeting.”

Seconded by Mayor Sandra Whitehead.

Commissioner Jeff Richter asked the City Attorney what the difference between agreement and contract was.

Jay Rubin, City Attorney, noted it’s the same thing.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

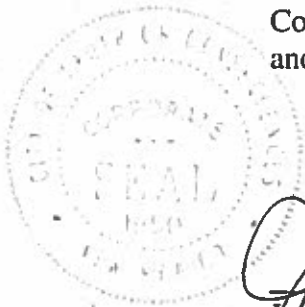
With no further to come before the Commission, Mayor Sandra Whitehead called for a motion to adjourn.

“Commissioner Kathy Clark moved to adjourn.”

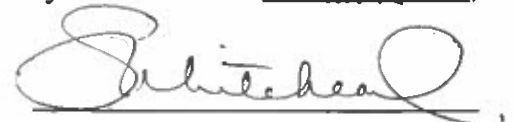
Seconded by Mayor Whitehead.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Passed & approved this 10 day of February, 2015, on a motion made by Commissioner Greek and seconded by Commissioner Clark, and carried.




Judy M. Harris, City Clerk


Sandra Whitehead, Mayor