



# City of Littleton

Littleton Center  
2255 West Berry Avenue  
Littleton, CO 80120

## Meeting Minutes

### City Council

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Tuesday, July 5, 2016

6:30 PM

Council Chamber

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#### Regular Meeting

#### 1. Roll Call

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Pro-Tem Brinkman, Council Member Cernanec, Mayor Beckman, Council Member Clark, Council Member Cole, Council Member Hopping and Council Member Valdes

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

#### 3. Approval of Agenda

#### 4. Public Comment

Public Comment on Consent Agenda and General Business items

*Paul Bingham - In Favor of Abolishing LIFT/Audit*  
*Carol Porter - Emails to city employees*  
*Carolyn Bradish - Abolishing LIFT - opposed/Interim City Manager*  
*Pat Cronenberger - Protocols/Interim city manager*  
*Julie Devin - Letter of no confidence*  
*Frank Melara - Letter of no confidence*  
*Sally Jansen - Letter of no confidence*  
*Dana Moretti - Letter of no confidence*  
*Karen Millsbaugh - Letter of no confidence*  
*Arthur Recek - Opposed to abolishing LIFT*  
*Allison Recek - Letter of no confidence*  
*Jeanie Erikson - In favor of abolishing LIFT/Letter of confidence*  
*Chuck Reid - Opposed to abolishing LIFT*  
*John Watson - Confidence in council to remove Michael Penny/in favor of abolishing LIFT*  
*Carol Brzecezck - Petition for firing of Michael Penny/Sunshine Boys*  
*Frank Atwood - Sunshine*  
*Linda Knufinke - Do not reinstate the city manager*  
*Pam Chadbourne - Sign Code Ordinance/Do not reinstate the city manager/in favor of abolishing LIFT*  
*Vanessa Manke - Littleton is thriving*  
*Marty Bolt - Do not reinstate Michael Penny/in favor of abolishing LIFT*  
*Sherry Chisolm - in favor of Michael Penny termination*  
*Don Bruns - in favor of Michael Penny termination*

**5. Consent Agenda Items**

- a) [Ordinance 03-2016](#) An ordinance abolishing the Littleton Invests for Tomorrow Urban Renewal Authority pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-25-115(2) and repealing the city's urban renewal plans

*Council Member Cernanec removed item 5(a) from the consent agenda.*

**Council Member Hopping moved and Council Member Cernanec seconded to postpone indefinitely 5a an ordinance abolishing the Littleton Invests for Tomorrow Urban Renewal Authority pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-25-115(2) and repealing the city's urban renewal plans until further study by council.**

**Council Member Cole moved and Council Member Valdes seconded to amend the motion to postpone 5(a) to date certain on October 4, with study sessions to be scheduled to discuss LIFT and Urban Renewal.**

**The motion carried 6-1 with Council Member Hopping voting no.**

**Vote on the amended main motion.**

**Aye:** 7 - Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman, Council Member Cernanec, Mayor Beckman, Council Member Clark, Council Member Cole, Council Member Hopping and Council Member Valdes

**Consent Agenda Items Approved**

- b) [Resolution 32-2016](#) A resolution to approve an intergovernmental agreement regarding a 2016 grant of Arapahoe County Open Space Program Funds for Runyon Elementary School Playground Renovations

- c) [Resolution 33-2016](#) A resolution approving an intergovernmental agreement regarding a 2016 grant of Arapahoe County Open Space Program Funds for Phase 1 River Integration at Hudson Gardens

- d) [ID# 16-132](#) Request to table Resolution 31-2016 to August 2 City Council meeting approving the Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement Establishing the Chatfield Watershed Authority

**Council Member Cernanec moved and Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman approve consent agenda items 5(b), 5(c), and 5(d).**

**The motion carried unanimously 7-0.**

- e) [ID# 16-137](#) Certification of the June 7, 2016 regular meeting minutes

*Council Member Clark removed item 5(e) from the consent agenda.*

**Council Member Cernanec moved and Council Member Hopping seconded to approve, based on the recording secretary's certification, the June 7, 2016 video as the minutes for the June 7, 2016 regular meeting of the City Council.**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman, Council Member Cernanec, Mayor Beckman, Council Member Cole, Council Member Hopping and Council Member Valdes

**Nay:** 1 - Council Member Clark

- f) [ID# 16-138](#) Certification of the June 14, 2016 special session meeting minutes

*Council Member Clark removed item 5(f) from the consent agenda*

**Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman moved and Council Member Hopping seconded to approve , based on the recording secretary's certification, the June 14, 2016 video as the minutes for the June 14, 2016 special session meeting of the city council.**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman, Council Member Cernanec, Mayor Beckman, Council Member Cole, Council Member Hopping and Council Member Valdes

**Nay:** 1 - Council Member Clark

## **6. Ordinances for Second Reading and Public Hearing**

- a) [ID# 16-135](#) Request to continue the public hearing and second reading of Ordinance 7, which would amend chapter 3 of title 4 and chapter 20 of title 3 of the city code concerning the regulation of signs

*Mayor Beckman opened the public hearing at 7:56 p.m.  
Jeanie Erikson/Sign Code*

**Council Member Cernanec moved and Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman seconded to continue the public hearing and second reading for Ordinance 7, which would amend chapter 3 of title 4 and chapter 20 of title 3 of the city code concerning the regulation of signs, to the July 19, 2016 regular city council meeting.**

**Aye:** 7 - Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman, Council Member Cernanec, Mayor Beckman, Council Member Clark, Council Member Cole, Council Member Hopping and Council Member Valdes

## **7. General Business**

- a) [ID# 16-139](#) Interim City Manager discussion/appointment and authorization for city attorney to draft an interim city manager employment contract

**Mayor Beckman moved and Council Member Hopping seconded to direct the city attorney to prepare a contract to hire Mark Relph as the interim city manager according to the charter and to work with HR Director to put a salary range in the contract, which can be approved when the resolution to approve the contract is ratified at the July 19 regular city council meeting.**

**Aye:** 5 - Mayor Beckman, Council Member Clark, Council Member Cole, Council Member Hopping and Council Member Valdes

**Nay:** 2 - Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman and Council Member Cernanec

- b) [ID# 16-140](#) Council Standard of Conduct and Protocols Discussion

*City Council discussed conduct and protocols of email sent by city council. Mayor Beckman wants a couple of sentences added to the protocols regarding council members ability to send emails to all city.*

Council Member Hopping moved and Mayor Pro Tem Brinkman that council immediately suspend action on any council introduced motions and work with a mediator to determine and implement more effective working relationships and actions, until such a time as the council votes by a super majority of 5-2 to resume addressing council addressed motions under fair, open and transparent conditions as defined by the Colorado Open Meetings law.

Mayor Beckman stated this motion is a violation of the City Charter. Acting City Attorney Ken Fellman stated this issue was not published on the agenda and it needs to be posted before a vote may be taken. Council Member Hopping withdrew his motion.

c) [ID# 16-141](#) Request for reconsideration

*Council Member Cernanec made a presentation regarding a reconsideration of the termination of City Manager Penny. Mayor Beckman stated the Legislative Rules do not allow for a reconsideration vote at another meeting than where the action took place. Acting City Attorney Fellman stated a motion to suspend the council's Legislative Rules to reconsider a vote would be the proper way to proceed.*

## **8. Public Comment**

*Carol Porter/thank you  
Chuck Reid/Thank you/opportunities to communicate  
Pam Chadbourne/city manager/housing policy  
Carol Brzeczek/Council work together/no executive session  
Betty Harris/Thank you  
Frank Atwood/Approval Voting/Thank you/Election Commission vacancies*

## **9. Comments / Reports**

- a) City Manager
- b) Council Members

*Council Member Cole  
Council Member Clark  
Council Member Hopping  
Council Member Cernanec  
Council Member Valdes*

- c) Mayor

## **10. Adjournment**

*Mayor Beckman adjourned the meeting at 10:23 p.m.*