

# City of Brighton

*500 S. 4th Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601*



## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, September 6, 2022**

**6:00 PM**

**Council Chambers**

### **City Council**

**MAYOR - GREGORY MILLS  
MAYOR PRO TEM - ADAM CUSHING  
COUNCIL MEMBERS:  
CLINT BLACKHURST, MATT JOHNSTON,  
PETER PADILLA, JAN PAWLOWSKI,  
MARY ELLEN POLLACK, ANN TADDEO**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

*Mayor Mills called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.*

**A. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag**

*Councilmember Taddeo led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.*

**B. Roll Call**

**Present:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Not Present:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

**2. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

*City Manager Michael Martinez asked that the Regular Agenda be amended to remove Item 13A.*

**Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, seconded by Councilmember Padilla, to approve the Regular Agenda as amended. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Approval of the August 2, 2022 City Council Minutes**

**B. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A MINI-GRANT APPLICATION TO ADAMS COUNTY FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT AT CARMICHAEL PARK; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE GRANT APPLICATION**

**Resolution No. 2022-95**

**C. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATION TO ADAMS COUNTY FOR THE CHERRY MEADOWS PARK PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE GRANT APPLICATION**

**Resolution No. 2022-96**

**D. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, AUTHORIZING A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH ADAMS COUNTY FOR GRANT FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,812,000.00) FOR THE HISTORIC SPLENDID VALLEY TARGET PROPERTY #1-ADDITIONAL FUNDING; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT**

**Resolution No. 2022-97**

- E. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, SETTING FORTH CERTAIN FEES AND CHARGES ASSESSED BY THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023**

**Resolution No. 2022-98**

- F. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, APPOINTING VALERIE COOPER AS A PROFESSIONAL MEMBER OF THE BRIGHTON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION WITH A TERM TO JUNE 2026**

**Resolution No. 2022-99**

- G. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, APPOINTING ARYN LALLAS AS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEMBER OF THE LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM TO DECEMBER, 2024**

**Resolution No. 2022-100**

**Motion by Councilmember Pawlowski, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

**4. CEREMONIES**

- A. **Swearing In of New Board and Commission Member**

*City Clerk Natalie Hoel swore in the new Board and Commission members.*

- B. **132nd Birthday of the Brighton Masonic Lodge #78 Proclamation**

*Mayor Mills read the Proclamation into the record.*

**Motion by Councilmember Padilla, seconded by Councilmember Taddeo, to approve the Proclamation. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

**5. PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (Speakers limited to five minutes)**

*Gabe Evans introduced himself and announced that he is running for State House 48.*

**6. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**7. ORDINANCES FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION**

- A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE BRIGHTON MUNICIPAL CODE; ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2021 EDITIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE, INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE, INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE, INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE, INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, AND INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE; AND SETTING FORTH AMENDMENTS THERETO**

*Mayor Mills read the title of the Ordinance into the record.*

*Chief Building Official Matt Rowland requested that a hearing be set for October 4, 2022 to adopt the 2021 International Building Codes at final reading.*

**Motion by Councilmember Padilla, seconded by Councilmember Pollack, to approve the Ordinance. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

## **8. ORDINANCES FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION**

## **9. RESOLUTIONS**

- A. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, SETTING FORTH THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, INVESTMENT POLICIES; DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER, OR THE CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE, AS THE CITY OFFICIAL WITH INVESTMENT AUTHORITY AND OVERSIGHT; AND SETTING FORTH OTHER DETAILS RELATED THERETO**

*Mayor Mills read the title of the Resolution into the record.*

*Finance Director Catrina Asher presented the update to the City Investment Policy to ensure it is aligned with State Statute and the investment priorities of the city. The City Charter and Municipal Code state that the City Manager has oversight of financial operations. This policy is reviewed annually by the City Manager and every five years by City Council. Director Asher summarized the changes to the Resolution to align with state statutes, simplify the language and presented the investment strategy of the city.*

**Motion by Councilmember Pollack, seconded by Councilmember Pawlowski, to approve Resolution 2022-101. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

- B. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, CERTIFYING THE BALLOT CONTENT FOR THE COORDINATED MAIL BALLOT ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022; AND SETTING FORTH OTHER DETAILS RELATED THERETO**

*Mayor Mills read the title of the Resolution into the record.*

**Motion by Councilmember Padilla, seconded by Councilmember Pollack, to approve Resolution 2022-102. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

- C. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF NORRIS DESIGN, INC. TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FOR CHERRY MEADOWS PARK AND BENEDICT PARK FOR THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS (\$220,540.00) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY**

*Mayor Mills read the title of the Resolution into the record.*

*Assistant Director of Parks and Open Space Kyle Sylvester presented the Cherry Meadows and Benedict Park Improvements Project. Cherry Meadows will serve as a neighborhood park for the surrounding community. The final plan will include planting plans, playground, a loop trail, a regional trail, shelter, irrigation design and install, drainage basin and other amenities. The city is responsible for building this park. Assistant Director Sylvester presented the history of Benedict Park. The scope of this project will be to complete construction documents for the site and will include an overview of existing conditions, soil samples, topographic survey and cost estimates for construction. The final plan shall include planting plans, two playgrounds, irrigation design and install and new shelter amenities. A formal solicitation resulted in three responses and staff recommends accepting the proposal of Norris Design as the lowest most responsive and responsible proposal for \$220,540.*

**Motion by Councilmember Pawlowski, seconded by Councilmember Pollack, to approve Resolution 2022-103. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

## **10. UTILITIES BUSINESS ITEMS**

## **11. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **A. Selection of Two City Council Members to interview Planning Commission and Brighton Urban Renewal Authority Candidates**

*City Attorney Alicia Calderon explained that the interview procedures for board and commission candidates was recently updated and City Council needs to select two individual to serve as the interview committee.*

**Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, seconded by Councilmember Taddeo, to select Councilmember Pawlowski and Councilmember Padilla to interview Planning Commission and Brighton Urban Renewal Authority Candidates. Motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Mills, Mayor Pro Tem Cushing, Councilmember Padilla, Councilmember Pawlowski, Councilmember Pollack, and Councilmember Taddeo

**Absent:** 2 - Councilmember Blackhurst, and Councilmember Johnston

**12. REPORTS**

**A. By the Mayor**

*Mayor Mills attended the AC-REP meeting, the 27J Schools Joint Meeting, the Touch a Truck event, the Platte Valley Medical Center event, the NATA meeting and the budget session.*

**B. By Department Directors**

**C. By the City Attorney**

**D. By the City Manager**

*City Manager Martinez thanked everyone for attending the budget session and announced that the second Leadership Academy has started.*

**E. By City Council**

*Councilmember Taddeo attended the joint 27J meeting, the budget session, and the City Employee BBQ.*

*Mayor Pro Tem Cushing announced that there is a concert at the Armory on Friday.*

*Councilmember Pawlowski attended the budget session and the Platte Valley Medical Center benefit.*

*Councilmember Padilla announced that it is National Suicide Awareness Month and National Recovery Month. Councilmember Padilla finished work on the 27J commission, and Saturday is Art in the Park.*

**13. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. For discussion of a personnel matter relating to the City Attorney Performance Evaluation pursuant to C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f) and City Charter Section 5.4(C)(3)**

*This item was removed from the agenda.*

**14. ADJOURNMENT**


*Mayor Mills adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.*

**CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO**

  
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Gregory Mills, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Natalie Hoel, City Clerk

  
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Approval Date