

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
February 13, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomfield City Council was held at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 915 N. First Street, Bloomfield, NM. The meeting was in full conformity with the laws and rules of the Municipality.

In attendance were Mayor Cynthia Atencio, Councilor Scott Eckstein, Councilor Kelly Burkholder, Councilor Dale Walls, and via zoom Councilor Tony Herrera

Also present City Manager George Duncan, Deputy City Clerk Catherine Galvan, Project Manager Prudence Brady, Finance Director Kimberly Simpson, Police Chief Phillip Francisco, and Fire Chief Vega

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

*Mayor Atencio called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.*

**2. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

*City Manager George Duncan offered the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.*

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

*Councilor Walls moved to approve the agenda. Councilor Burkholder seconded. Approval was unanimous.*

**4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

*Councilor Eckstein moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Burkholder seconded. Approval was unanimous.*

**A. Approve Council Meeting Minutes from January 23, 2023**

**5. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Discussion Accounts Payable Finance Director Kimberly Simpson**  
*Discussions were held and questions answered regarding accounts payable.*

**B. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Lodgers Tax Request Finance Director Kimberly Simpson**  
*Councilor Walls moved to approve Lodgers' tax request for \$8,800 for the Bloomfield Balloon Rally. Councilor Herrera seconded. Approval was unanimous.*

- C. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Resolution 2023-03  
FY23 Budget Adjustment Request Law Enforcement Recruitment Fund  
Finance Director Kimberly Simpson**  
*Councilor Burkholder moved to approve Resolution 2023-03.  
Councilor Walls seconded. Approval was unanimous.*
- D. Discussion Cannabis Update Finance Director Kimberly Simpson and  
Police Chief Phillip Francisco**  
*Discussions were held and questions answered regarding Cannabis.*
- E. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Resolution 2023-04  
FY23 Budget Adjustment Request Cannabis Fund Finance Director  
Kimberly Simpson**  
*Councilor Burkholder moved to approve Resolution 2023-04.  
Councilor Walls seconded. Approval was unanimous.*
- F. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve an Intent to Adopt  
Ordinance 542 Regarding GFL Environmental Finance Director  
Kimberly Simpson**  
*Councilor Eckstein moved to approve an Intent to Adopt Ordinance  
542. Councilor Walls seconded. Approval was unanimous.*

**6. PUBLIC INPUT (Limited to five [5] minutes per person):**

**A. Comments** from the Public

*Janet Mackey provided an update on the Annual Awards Chamber Banquet and reminded everyone that the Chamber is still accepting nominations for awards.*

*Linda Corwin made comments regarding the City of Farmington's electric utility will be raising their prices.*

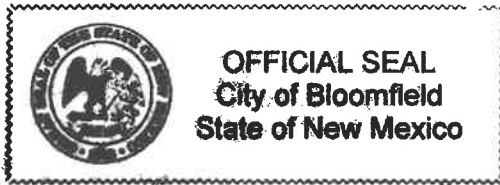
**B. Comments** from Department Heads and/or Council

- 7. CLOSED SESSION:** The City Council may go into closed executive session pursuant to the provisions of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, New Mexico State Statute Section 10-15- 1(H) to discuss pending/threatened litigation.  
*Mayor Atencio called for a motion to go into closed session at 6:42. Councilor Eckstein moved to approve. Councilor Burkholder seconded. Councilor Eckstein, Councilor Burkholder, and Councilor Herrera were in favor, Councilor Walls was opposed. Motion passed.*

Mayor Atencio called for a motion to return to regular meeting at 7:20 stating that nothing was discussed other than pending/threatened litigation. Councilor Burkholder moved to return to regular session. Councilor Walls seconded. Approval was unanimous.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Atencio called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:21



*Cynthia Atencio*

Cynthia Atencio, Mayor

ATTEST:

*Crystal L. Hornberger*

Crystal L Hornberger, City Clerk