

**CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS  
GOVERNING BODY, REGULAR MEETING  
123 DOWNS DRIVE, RUIDOSO DOWNS, NEW MEXICO 88346  
OCTOBER 23, 2023**

The City of Ruidoso Downs Council met in a regular session on Monday, October 23, 2023. Mayor Holman called the regular meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and asked Councilor Miller to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Councilor Walker, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Miller, Councilor Lacewell

**Municipal Employees Present:**

John Underwood, City Attorney  
Alejandra L. Giron, City Clerk/Treasurer  
Joe Commander, Police Chief  
Jennet Recendez, Planning Services Director  
Donna Miller, Human Resources Specialist

**Municipal Employees Present by Phone:**

Mary Castaneda, Finance Director

**Guests Present: 9**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor Walker moved to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Lundquist and approved upon a roll call vote of all in favor.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

(All matters listed under Item 5 will be enacted by one motion.)

**A. \*APPROVAL OF GOVERNING BODY MINUTES**

\*October 10, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes

**B. \*APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

\*Public Works September Report  
\*Municipal Court September Report  
\*Planning & Zoning September Report

**C. \*COMMITTEE REPORTS**

\*Lodger's Tax Committee September Report  
\*Planning and Zoning Commission September Report  
\*Greentree Solid Waste Authority Committee September Report  
\*Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Joint Use Board September Report



Councilor Walker moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Miller and approved upon a roll call vote of all in favor.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Terry Proctor made comments.

Joe Blaney made comments.

**COUNCILORS COMMENTS**

Councilor Miller made comments.

Councilor Lacewell made comments.

**MAYORS COMMENTS**

Mayor Holman had no comments.

The Planning Services Director presented on the operations of the Planning & Zoning Department for the month of September.

**CLOSED SESSION**

A. Discussion of limited personnel matters concerning Probationary Employee – Finance Clerk §10-15-1 H.2, NMSA 1978.

Councilor Walker moved to enter into Closed Session for Discussion of limited personnel matters concerning Probationary Employee – Finance Clerk and that any action taken as a result of the closed session will be brought back into regular session. The motion was seconded by Councilor Lundquist and approved upon a roll call vote of all in favor.

Mayor Holman recessed the regular session and entered into a Closed Session at 2:23 p.m.

Mayor Holman adjourned the Closed Session and reconvened the Regular session at 2:40 p.m.

Councilor Lundquist moved to reconvene to the regular session. The motion was seconded by Councilor Miller and approved upon a roll call vote of all in favor.

Councilor Lundquist certified that all matters discussed in the Closed session were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure and moved to uphold the mayor's suspension and to terminate the employment of the Probationary employee, Finance Clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilor Walker and approved upon a roll call vote of the following. Aye:



Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Walker, Mayor Holman. Nay: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lacewell.

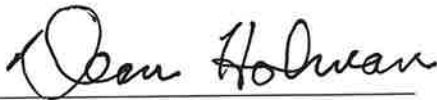
**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body, Mayor Holman adjourned the regular meeting at 3:30 p.m.

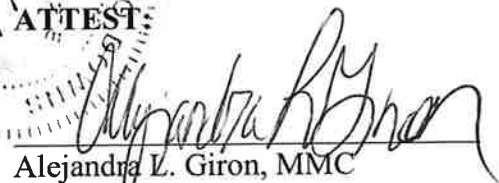
**MINUTES ARE DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED ON:**

Passed and Approved on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.

**APPROVED:**



Dean Holman, Mayor



Alejandra L. Giron, MMC  
City Clerk/Treasurer

