

**CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS  
GOVERNING BODY REGULAR MINUTES  
MONDAY, June 13, 2022 - 2:00 PM  
THE HUBBARD ROOM  
123 DOWNS DRIVE  
RUIDOSO DOWNS, NEW MEXICO 88346**

The City Council of the City of Ruidoso Downs met in regular session on Monday, June 13, 2022. 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

**Present by Phone:** Councilor Lacewell

**Municipal Employees Present:**

Alejandra L. Giron, City Clerk/Treasurer

Selena Chavez, Assistant City Clerk

John Underwood, City Attorney

Carroll Scott, Police Chief

Mary Castaneda, Finance Director

Joey Jarvis, Public Works Director

Charles Massey, Community Service Officer

**Guests Present: 25**

**Guest Speakers Present:** Matt Ingram,

Ruidoso Downs Racetrack

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Approval of Agenda. Councilor Lundquist moved to approve Agenda. Councilor Walker seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Walker.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Approval of Consent Agenda. Councilor Walker moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilor Miller seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Walker.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Public Input.



Charles Massey made comments.

Joyce Gustafson made comments.

Pam Williams made comments.

Bonnie Richardson made comments.

Paul Goad made comments.

Jackie Powell made comments.

### **COUNCILORS COMMENTS**

Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Councilors Comments.

Councilor Walker read off a statement made on Facebook from Richard Ford (Exhibit A). He stated the public is always welcomed to the public meetings and asked if they could bring facts to the City Hall for their concerns.

Councilor Miller thanked the Public for coming to the meeting no matter their reason.

### **MAYORS COMMENTS**

Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Mayors Comments. No Comments

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Discussion and Possible Action of the Interstate Wine Tasting/Competition Permit Application and the Public Celebration Permit Applications for the Ruidoso Downs Red, Wine, and Brew Festival on July 1-3,2022 from 11 a.m. to 8:00p.m.

Matt presented on the festival stating this event is new and is focused on craft, beer, and wine within NM to participate with sampling throughout the day and local and regional bands performing inside the tent at the racetrack. He stated the Interstate Wine Tasting/Competition Permit Applications covers the out of state winery.

Councilor Miller moved to approve the Interstate Wine Tasting/Competition Permit Application and the Public Celebration Permit Applications for the Ruidoso Downs Red, Wine, and Brew Festival on July 1-3,2022 from 11 a.m. to 8:00p.m. Councilor Lundquist seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Walker.



**B.** Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Resolution 2022-15, a Resolution Accepting The NMDOT L200570 Coop Funding Agreement.

Joe presented on Resolution 2022-15 stating this year we did receive the agreement and it is less than requested but will cover the costs to pave Park Lane and Westview Drive.

Councilor Miller moved to approve Resolution 2022-15, a Resolution Accepting The NMDOT L200570 Coop Funding Agreement. Councilor Walker seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Walker.

**C.** Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Special Security Contract with Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Casino.

Chief Scott presented on the Contract that has being requested for the race season and the Special events for special security and the Contract offers a flat rate for the cost of using the officers.

Councilor Walker asked if they will be considered on or off the clock.

Chief Scott responded that they will be representing the City and will be compensated for their time through this contract.

Councilor Lundquist moved to approve the Special Security Contract with Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Casino. Councilor Miller seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell Nay: Councilor Walker.

**D.** Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Annual Audit Contract with Kriegel/Gray/Shaw & Co., PC., for Annual Auditing Services for FY 21/22 in the amount of \$29,407.00 including NM GRT.

Mary presented the Audit Contract and stated we are at the end of the current audit contract and sent out 6 quotes for an audit contract and only received one (1) response. She stated this is a four-year contract with annual renewal.

Councilor Lundquist asked if the \$29,407.00 is per fiscal year or in one lump sum.

Mary responded that the cost is for each fiscal year.

Councilor Walker asked how the audits have progressed.



Mary responded that we had about 25-30 when she arrived in 2021 and the last audit was down to 6 findings.

Councilor Lundquist moved to approve the Annual Audit Contract with Kriegel/Gray/Shaw & Co., PC., for Annual Auditing Services for FY 21/22 in the amount of \$29,407.00 including NM GRT. Councilor Miller seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Walker.

E. Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Multi-year Engineering Services Contract with Dennis Engineering Company.

Mary presented on the Engineering Services Contract and stated the contract provided needs the approval for the four-year contract renewal annually based on fiscal year capabilities.

Councilor Lundquist moved to approve the Multi-year Engineering Services Contract with Dennis Engineering Company. Councilor Walker seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Walker.

F. Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Purchase of Materials for the Redman Tank Altitude Valve project in the amount of \$28,025.55 including NM GRT.

Joey stated the purchase of this valve will help keep the tanks full and the job will be done in house and will be paid for with grant money.

Councilor Lundquist moved to approve the Purchase of Materials for the Redman Tank Altitude Valve project in the amount of \$28,025.55 including NM GRT. Councilor Walker seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Walker Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Miller.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

A. Mayor Holman stated next item on the agenda was Closed Session for Discussion subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the City of Ruidoso Downs is or may become a participant. §10-15-1. H.7, NMSA 1978 and entertained a motion to move into a close session.

Councilor Walker moved to recess into Closed Session for Discussion subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the City of Ruidoso Downs is or may become a participant. §10-15-1. H.7, NMSA 1978 and any action taken as a



result of the Closed session will be brought back into open session. Councilor Lundquist seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Walker Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Miller.

Mayor Holman recessed the Regular session and convened the closed session at 2:53 p.m.

**Present in the closed session were as follows:**

Mayor Holman  
Councilor Walker  
Councilor Lundquist  
Councilor Miller

**Present by Phone:** Councilor Lacewell  
Alejandra L. Giron, City Clerk/Treasurer  
Selena Chavez, Assistant City Clerk  
John Underwood, City Attorney  
Mary Castaneda, Finance Director  
Joey Jarvis, Public Works Director

**Later Called in were:** David Ordorica & Christine Ordorica

Mayor Holman adjourned the closed session and reconvened the regular session at 4:11 p.m.

Councilor Miller moved to enter back into Regular Session at 4:11 p.m. Councilor Lundquist seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Walker, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Miller.

Mayor Holman asked a member of Council to attest to the fact that only items discussed in Closed session was matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the City of Ruidoso Downs is or may become a participant. §10-15-1. H.7, NMSA 1978.

Councilor Lundquist moved to certify that matters discussed in the closed session were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure.

Councilor Walker moved to instruct the city attorney to write a letter of resolution with the complaining party. Councilor Lundquist seconded and motion carried by unanimous roll call vote as follows: Aye: Councilor Walker, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Lacewell, Councilor Miller.

**ADJOURNMENT**


There being no further business to come before the Governing Body, Mayor Holman adjourned the regular meeting at 4:12 p.m.



**MINUTES ARE DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED ON:**

Passed and Approved on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Dean Holman, Mayor

**ATTEST:**  
  
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Alejandra L. Giron, MMC  
City Clerk/Treasurer





**Richard Ford**

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So I just heard Ruidoso Downs is having a meeting at 2 today about corruption in the city hall. People should go if have problems.



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