



**City Council/Enterprise Boards
SPECIAL MEETING
FOLLOWED BY TOWN HALL
MEETING**

**Tuesday, August 31, 2021
6:30 PM**

130 South McKinley Avenue

Zo Stieber, Mayor
Shannon Rhoda, Ward 1
Chris Ceretto, Ward 2
Mike Sanchez, Ward 3
David Crespino, Ward 1
Tommy Holton, Ward 2
Bruce Fitzgerald, Ward 3

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Special Meeting Agenda

Call to Order

Action Memorandum

- a. AM 2021-141 Approving an Ordinance for the Submission of a Ballot Question to the Registered Electors Pertaining to Marijuana Excise Tax for the November 2, 2021, Coordinated Election
- b. AM 2021-140 Declaring Surplus of Equipment From the Information Technology (IT) Department and Approving the Recycling of the Equipment
- c. AM 2021-142 Approve Agreement With Synergetic Systems Staffing for the Placement of Labor to Help With Temporary Needs

Adjourn

Town Hall Agenda

Call to Order

General Discussion – The Town Hall meeting is for the Public to have open discussion with Council regarding any topic. This list is not all-inclusive. The following topics are items to be presented to Council by staff and may or may not be followed by discussion. No transcripts or summary are taken during Town Hall meetings.

- a. Regulated Marijuana Ordinance
- b. Cultivating Marijuana
- c. Modification of Premises - Wholly Stromboli
- d. CDOT Intergovernmental Agreement - Street Maintenance
- e. Asphalt/Concrete Repair Contract
- f. Clean-up Update

- g.** Right of Way Dedication County Road 16 - Macintosh
- h.** Wastewater Updates
- i.** United Power Light Options for New Developments
- j.** Subdivision Signage
- k.** Development Code Update

Adjourn

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
FORT LUPTON CITY COUNCIL/ENTERPRISE BOARDS
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The City Council of the City of Fort Lupton met in a special meeting at the City Complex, 130 South McKinley Avenue, the regular meeting place of the City Council, on Tuesday, August 31, 2021. Due to the COVID-19 virus, the special meeting was held with remote access provided through GoToWebinar. Mayor Zo Stieber called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and invited everyone to join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mari Peña, City Clerk, called the roll. Those present were Mayor Zo Stieber and Councilmembers, Tommy Holton, Michael Sanchez, and Bruce Fitzgerald. Councilmembers Shannon Rhoda, David Crespín and Chris Ceretto participated remotely through GoToWebinar.

Also present were City Administrator, Chris Cross, City Clerk, Mari Peña, City Attorney, Police Chief, John Fryar, Planning Director, Todd Hodges, Public Works Director, Roy Vestal and Finance Director, Leann Perino. City Attorney, Andy Ausmus participated remotely through GoToWebinar.

ACTION MEMORANDUM

AM 2021-141 Approving an Ordinance for the Submission of a Ballot Question to the Registered Electors Pertaining to Marijuana Excise Tax for the November 2, 2021, Coordinated Election

The City Council may, without receipt of any petition, may submit any proposed adopted ordinance or resolution or any question to a vote of the registered electors of the municipality. The City Council has determined to ask the registered voters the question on whether to impose an excise tax on the sale or transfer of unprocessed retail marijuana.

At this time, there is no ordinance to allow for cultivation facilities however, the City Council is proposing to add an ordinance.

The Council will determine the excise tax based on:

- The collection and enforcement of the tax by the Finance Department.
- Impacts on the Police Department

Marijuana = FLMC 10-289 Marijuana: Offenses Related

Paraphernalia = FLMC 10-285 Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

TOTAL VIOLATIONS			18-20 YEARS OLD		UNDER 18 YEARS OLD	
Year	Marijuana	Paraphernalia	Marijuana	Paraphernalia	Marijuana	Paraphernalia
2018	19	15	7	4	12	11
2019	20	12	6	3	13	8
2020	6	13	5	4	1	2
2021	9	1	5	0	4	1

* 2021 is 01-01-2021 to 07-31-2021

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Council discussed the amount of tax based on the impacts of the City. Mayor Stieber indicated that a 1.5% excise tax would be sufficient with the ability to go up to 4%. Councilmember Tommy Holton indicated that he preferred a higher rate of tax. Councilmember Chris Ceretto indicated he preferred a 2% tax rate.

It was moved by Bruce Fitzgerald and seconded by Michael Sanchez to approve Ordinance 2021-1126 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT LUPTON APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A BALLOT ISSUE ON THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021, COORDINATED ELECTION, PERTAINING TO A RETAIL MARIJUANA EXCISE TAX OF 1.5% WITH THE RATE OF TAXATION NOT TO EXCEED 4%; SETTING THE TITLES AND CONTENT OF THE BALLOT FOR THE ELECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. Motion passed with 6 'yes' votes and 1 'no' vote from Councilmember Tommy Holton.

AM 2021-140 Declaring Surplus of Equipment From the Information Technology (IT) Department and Approving the Recycling of the Equipment

Over time equipment becomes End of Life (EOL) meaning that the equipment is out of warranty and is no longer supported by the vendor. This equipment has been stored in the basement waiting to be recycled. All serial numbers have been noted and all data bearing devices have been wiped out according to Department of Defense (DoD) standards prior to going out for recycling. The City has partnered with DMD Systems in the past and will continue to use DMD Systems Asset Disposal Team to properly recycle the systems.

It was moved by Tommy Holton and seconded by Bruce Fitzgerald to approve the recycling of surplus equipment from the Information Technology (IT) Department. Motion passed unanimously on roll call vote.

AM 2021-142 Approve Agreement with Synergetic Systems Staffing for the Placement of Labor to Help With Temporary Needs

The City is in need of more resources to fill temporary positions. Expanding resources for filling seasonal positions would also be helpful. With the labor market being particularly challenging for employers, the City would benefit from working with multiple partners so we can get temporary staff hired more quickly and minimize any delays in City Services.

Synergetic Systems was referred to the City by the Chamber of Commerce. Staff has met with them and would like to use them as a resource. One advantage they offer is that they are willing and able to fill our seasonal maintenance positions, which very few agencies will do. That has been an area of acute difficulty in hiring. The terms of their agreement are acceptable.

It was moved by Tommy Holton and seconded by Michael Sanchez to approve the agreement with Synergetic Systems Staffing for the placement of labor to help with temporary needs. Motion passed unanimously on roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

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Mayor Stieber adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

Submitted by,

Maricela Peña
Maricela Peña, City Clerk

Approved by City Council

Zo Stieber
Zo Stieber, Mayor

