

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## CITY OF LAFAYETTE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

March 25, 2019

### **Call to Order**

The March 25, 2019, City Council Workshop began at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Lafayette City Hall, 1290 S. Public Road in Lafayette, Colorado.

### **Roll Call**

Those in attendance included Mayor Alexandra Lynch, Mayor Pro Tem Jamie Harkins, and Councilors Carolyn Cutler, JD Mangat, Merrily Mazza, and Stephanie Walton. Councilor Behanna was not able to attend this meeting due to a previous commitment.

Also present were City Administrator Fritz Sprague, City Attorney Keith Martin, City Clerk Susan Koster, Planning & Building Director Paul Rayl, Police Commander Scott Emerson, and Police Chief Rick Bashor.

### **Code Changes for Small Livestock and Fowl**

Councilors discussed possible changes to the Municipal Code that would permit residents to keep ducks and would increase the number of miniature goats allowed from 2 to 3. Councilors considered information presented by Commander Emerson and Planning & Building Director Rayl, including odor, lack of impoundment facilities, noise, and animal health. Emerson and Rayl offered solutions such as offering animal husbandry classes and obtaining written permission from neighbors to allow livestock. They recommended enactment of an ordinance establishing domestic animal limits in Chapter 25 in order to facilitate enforcement.

Councilors did not favor permitting additional goats and decided to take up the issue of ducks at a future meeting. They agreed with the notion of including domestic animal limits in Chapter 25 of the Municipal Code, and would like to consider lowering the aggregate number of animals allowed after reviewing comparative data from other communities.

Mayor Lynch asked for a breakdown of the types of animals that cause neighbors to complain.

### **Electronic Message Signs**

Planning & Building Director Rayl presented background information about existing zoning districts and the current regulation concerning placement of electronic signs. He said they are currently allowed at properties located in the Regional Business (C1) Zone. Staff suggested specific modifications to electronic message signs if they were to be allowed in Transitional Business District (T1) and Community Business District (B1).

Councilors supported an ordinance that would allow electronic message signs in T1 and B1 zones with modifications to the size, brightness, frequency of message changes, and increased setbacks from residential areas. They asked to include language that would prohibit advertising businesses other than the sign-owner's business.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

CITY OF LAFAYETTE, COLORADO

ATTEST

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Alexandra Lynch, Mayor

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Susan Koster, CMC  
City Clerk

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