

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Casper City Hall – Council Chambers
August 25, 2015

Casper City Council met in special session at 4:35 p.m., Tuesday, August 25, 2015. Present: Cathey, Hopkins, Johnson, Mundell, Pacheco, Sandoval, and Mayor Powell.

Moved by Councilman Hopkins, seconded by Councilman Sandoval to, by minute action, allow Councilman Schlager to attend and vote at this meeting by telephone.

Councilman Johnson asked for clarification on this process. City Attorney Luben indicated that Council has allowed this on an ad-hoc basis with a supporting vote by Council. Motion passed. City Attorney Luben confirmed that with the motion passing, Councilman Schlager would be allowed to attend and vote at this meeting by telephone. He further stated for the record that Councilman Schlager is attending the meeting by telephone conference call and is on the line.

Following resolution read:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-248

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A “REAL ESTATE PURCHASE AGREEMENT” AND OTHER NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY FROM ASH STREET PLAZA, LLC.

Councilman Hopkins presented the foregoing resolution for adoption. Seconded by Councilman Pacheco. City Manager Patterson provided a brief report.

Moved by Councilman Sandoval, seconded by Councilman Johnson, to suspend the rules of Council to allow for public input on this matter. Councilman Cathey voted nay. Motion passed.

Individuals addressing the Council were: Ken Ball, 4521 East 21st Street; and Brian Scott Gamroth, Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Vice Chairman. Council asked further questions of Mr. Gamroth. He stated that the DDA would be renting the property for three years and that no major renovations would likely be necessary other than a wheelchair lift. He also acknowledged that the DDA may need to rent the facility for a slightly longer period, but that would have to be negotiated if it occurred. He also confirmed that the DDA had funding for the rental costs.

Mr. Ball addressed the Council again and asked about the relationship between the City and the DDA, and about the potential tenant of the facility.

Mayor Powell asked for further discussion from Council. Councilmembers stated their opinions on the purchase. Councilmen Johnson and Mundell voted nay. Motion passed.

Moved by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Pacheco, to, by minute action adjourn. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY OF CASPER, WYOMING
A Municipal Corporation

V. H. McDonald
City Clerk

Charlie Powell
Mayor