

CORTEZ CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

1. The workshop was called to order at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers. Councilmembers present included Mayor Mike Lavey, Robert Dobry, Mayor Pro-tem Rachel Medina, David Rainey, and Arlina Yazzie. New Councilmember Matthew Keefauver was also present. Councilmember Orly Lucero was absent. Staff members present included Director of Finance Kelly Koskie, Chief of Police Vernon Knuckles, City Clerk Linda Smith, and City Attorney Mike Green. There were six people present in the audience.

2. Interviews were held with the applicants for the Public Arts Advisory Committee: Tai Rogers, Samantha Combs, Skylee Lindsey, and David Ross. Candidate Matthew Flynn was not able to make the interview process as he was out-of-town. Candidates shared information on their background and their interest in arts and why they would like to serve on the board. Brenda Van Keuren, Member of the Public Arts Advisory Committee, asked Council what they would like to see the committee accomplish on behalf of the community. Discussion was held regarding terms for the candidates. It was noted that the application process would continue to the next step and appointment could be made at the July 13, 2021, meeting if the background process was completed for each of the candidates.

3. General Council Discussion. City Clerk Smith stated that arrangements have been made for Council's picture to be taken on July 13, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. She stated that more information will follow regarding the photo place. She also noted that a meeting is being scheduled with the marijuana industry stakeholders to discuss the possibility of a future tax/transaction fee on marijuana sales. Councilmember Dobry and Mayor Lavey stated that they would like to attend the meeting. Information on the meeting date would be sent out following contact with all the stakeholders.

The worksession meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.