

CORTEZ CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022
5:30 p.m.

1. The workshop was called to order at 5:30 p.m., at the City Council Chambers. Councilmembers present included Mayor Rachel Medina, Mayor Pro-tem Arlina Yazzie, Lydia DeHaven, Robert Dobry, Matt Keefauver, and David Rainey. Councilmember Dennis Spruell was absent. Staff members present included City Clerk Linda Smith, City Manager Drew Sanders, and City Attorney Mike Green. There were two people present in the audience.

2. Patrick Rondinelli, Southwest Regional Manager for the Department of Local Affairs, made a presentation to Council on the Role of Elected Officials. He spoke about a variety of highlights that Councilmembers will experience and noted the dos and don'ts that Councilmembers should consider while serving the community. He noted Dr. John Nalbaudian's three characteristics of highly effective boards: ability of elected officials to deal with issues as a team; willingness to address difficult issues; and successful relationship with professional staff. He spoke about how important relationship building is for Council to be successful. He shared stories through his history of serving as a past City Manager in Ouray and spoke of the importance of setting Council goals and staying true to the vision. He spoke about interaction with citizens of the community and commented that Council should not send mixed messages. He stated that Councilmembers should remain courteous at all times, treat others with respect, work together as a team, be a positive ambassador for the City, and have fun.

3. Mayor Medina spoke about meeting with the City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk on protocol for Council meetings noting that roll call would be taken at the beginning of the meeting and she would be noting which Councilmember made a motion and which Councilmember seconded the motion prior to the vote being taken.

The worksession was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.