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**CORTEZ CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION/SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025
6:45 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

- A. 6:45 p.m., Interview for Planning and Zoning Commission
Richard Fryhover
- B. 6:50 p.m., Presentation on Housing Needs and Obstacles in Cortez
City of Cortez Housing Coordinator Lisa Bloomquist
- C. 7:10 p.m., Council General Discussion
- D. For Your Information
 - a. Thank You from Cancer Resource Alliance.
 - b. Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Montezuma County, Colorado for January 21, 2025.
 - c. Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Montezuma County, Colorado for January 28, 2025

ADJOURNMENT of Work Session.



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CORTEZ, CO 81321

02/11/2025

Agenda Item: 1. B.

MEMO TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: RACHAEL MARCHBANKS, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SUBJECT: 6:50 p.m., Presentation on Housing Needs and Obstacles in Cortez
City of Cortez Housing Coordinator Lisa Bloomquist



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MEMO TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: LINDA SMITH, CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: Thank You from Cancer Resource Alliance.

Attachments

Letter from CRA



January 20, 2025

Cortez City Council
123 Roger Smith Avenue
Cortez, CO 81321

Dear Mayor Medina and Council Members,

The Cancer Resource Alliance of Montezuma and Dolores Counties thanks you for your recent grant of \$4,000 to support our mission of providing grant assistance to residents in our area who face a cancer diagnosis. In 2023 CRA funded over 100 applicants and in 2024 we funded 82 applicants. Your generous grant will be put to good use in 2025. This year to date we have received and funded 10 applicants.

CRA has no paid staff and minimal operating expenses so donations and grants stay local to help locals. We are appreciative of your continued support and the support we have received from local businesses, foundations and residents. Many of our grant recipients send thank you notes and relay how helpful our grants have been during a difficult time, and some even "give back" by sending a contribution to us when they are able.

Thank you again for your support!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan Keck". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Susan Keck
Vice President
Cancer Resource Alliance of Montezuma and Dolores Counties



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Agenda Item: 1. D. b.

MEMO TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: LINDA SMITH, CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Montezuma County, Colorado for January 21, 2025.

Attachments

Montezuma County Minutes 1/21/2025

Georgia Aulston; agent: **Julie Suckla**, on property located at 10791 Road 23, Cortez, CO, consisting of 66.02 acres, more or less, located west of Road 23, south of Road L, situated in Section 20, Township 36N, Range 16W, N.M.P.M..

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was made.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

AGREEMENT: Finance Manager, Robert Dobry presented a **Master Services Agreement between MGT Impact Solutions LLC and Montezuma County**. Commissioner Koppenhafer moved to sign the Master Services Agreement between Master Services Agreement between MGT Impact Solutions and Montezuma County. Second by Commissioner Lindsay and carried. (See attached)

RESOLUTION #2-2025: Administrator Anderson presented for approval a **resolution designating office hours and annual holiday schedule**. Commissioner Koppenhafer moved to approve Resolution #2, a resolution designating office hours and annual holiday schedule for Montezuma County for 2025. Second by Commissioner Lindsay and carried. (See attached)

RESOLUTION #3-2025: Administrator Anderson presented for approval a **resolution establishing a rate for emergency telephone services**. Commissioner Koppenhafer moved to approve Resolution #3-2025, a resolution establishing a rate for emergency telephone services. Second by Commissioner Lindsay and carried. (See attached)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA): Administrator Anderson presented for approval an **Intergovernmental Agreement for Dispatch Services**. Commissioner Lindsay moved to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement for Dispatch Services. Second by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried. (See attached)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Emergency Manager, Jim Spratlen met with the Commissioners to discuss the **Letter of Support for Statewide Digital Trunked Radio System**. Commissioner Lindsay moved to sign the letter support for the public safety communications trust fund. Second by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried. (See attached)

NEW BUSINESS:

COUNTY ADMINSTRATOR REPORT: Administrator Anderson mentioned collective bargaining documents being submitted for the Sheriff's department.

COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER: County Clerk, Kim Percell had no updates.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT: Topics within the Commissioners reports included: **Commissioner Koppenhafer** mentioned a meeting with Southwest Water who were awarded a \$25.6 million grant to help fund multiple water projects in the next 5 years.

Commissioner Lindsay: mentioned attending a city council meeting that discussed liquor licensing, conditional use permits, the IGA dispatch agreement and the highway tax fund.

Commissioner Candelaria: mentioned traveling to Pueblo for a statewide meeting of fire commissioners. At the meeting, the Wildland Urban Interface code, fire mitigation around homes, and home hardening was discussed. He also attended a zoom meeting town hall.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Commissioner Lindsay moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried.

ADJOURNED: 9:26 am

Clerk January 21, 2025

Chairman



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Agenda Item: 1. D. c.

MEMO TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: LINDA SMITH, CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Montezuma County, Colorado for January 28, 2025

Attachments

Montezuma County Minutes 1/28/25

Planning Director, Don Haley along with **Assistant, S. Jane Duncan** presented an **After-The-Fact Setback Variance Application**, submitted by **Laura Webster**, on property located at 8400 Road 39, Mancos, CO, consisting of 7.82 acres, more or less, located north of Road H and east of Hwy 160, situated in Section 31, Township 36N, Range 13W, N.M.P.M. Commissioner Lindsay moved to table the After-The-Fact Setback Variance Application, submitted by Laura Webster, on property located at 8400 Road 39, Mancos, CO, consisting of 7.82 acres, more or less to next week. Second by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried.

Planning Director, Don Haley along with **Assistant, S. Jane Duncan** presented an **After-The-Fact Setback Variance Application**, submitted by **Ouida Vincent**, on property located at 10756 Road 26, Cortez, CO, consisting of 3.10 acres, more or less, located south of Road L and east of Road 26, situated in Section 24, Township 36N, Range 16W, N.M.P.M. Commissioner Lindsay moved to table the After-The-Fact Setback Variance Application, submitted by Ouida Vincent, on property located at 10756 Road 26, Cortez, CO, consisting of 3.10 acres, more or less to next week. Second by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comment was made by **Allen Maez**.

BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT: It being the time set aside, the Board of Social Services was conducted. **Director, Kelli Hargraves** and **Finance Officer, Lori Higgins** were present. (See attached)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COMMENT: Resource Director, James Dietrich present draft comments related to critical **Lynx Habitat designations** to the commissioners. Commissioner Koppenhafer moved to sign this letter for the Critical Lynx Habitat designation SW Colorado. FWS-R6-ES-2024-0142. Second by Commissioner Lindsay and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Tarnowski discussed the potential unionization of the sheriff's office, the upcoming voting rights bill, and the Ironwood property litigation.

COUNTY ADMINSTRATOR REPORT: Administrator Anderson discussed KRW associates auditing the Sheriff's Department financials, the racetrack lease/contract, a fleet management software update, collective bargaining cost questions, and CCI zoom meetings.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT: Topics within the Commissioners reports included: **Commissioner Koppenhafer** discussed the MVI board meeting and encourages community involvement and commitment. He will be out of town this week at the water congress.

Commissioner Lindsay discussed the MVI board meeting, the complaints of a smell around IFA and the Highland Terrace Subdivision. He has upcoming City Council and a Region 9 meetings.

Commissioner Candelaria discussed the KRW audit of the Sheriff's Department financials; speaking with Lisa Pool to discuss SRS funding; Yes in God's Backyard (YIGBY) organization to shelter individuals in Castle Rock; attended Board to Board to Board meeting; a CCI meeting; MVI meeting; Kristen Tarrin being appointed municipal judge of the Town of Dolores; going to Denver for CCI this week; smell around IFA and the Highland Terrace Subdivision.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Commissioner Lindsay moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Koppenhafer and carried.

ADJOURNED: 10:25 am

Deputy Clerk January 28, 2025

Chairman