CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of La Junta, Colorado, was called to order by Mayor Jeffri Pruyn on Monday, August 5, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Mayor led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: Council Member Vela gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL: The following Council Members were present:
- Eugene Mestas, Ward 1
- Jim Goodwin, Ward 1
- Elaine McIntyre, Ward 2
- Jeffri Pruyn, Mayor
- Shannon Lovato, Ward 2
- Edward Vela, Ward 3
- Scott Eckhart, Ward 3

Absent: None

Also present:
- Bill Jackson, Asst. City Manager
- Phil Malouff Jr, City Attorney
- Melanie Scofield, City Clerk
- Darren Adame, Director of Engineering
- Todd Quick, Police Chief
- Aliza Libby-Tucker, Finance Director
- Paula Mahoney, Administration
- Susan Elliott, 1310 Lincoln Ave
- Gary Cranson, ARPA Representative
- Bette McFarren, La Junta Tribune Democrat

PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK: Mayor Pruyn signed a proclamation declaring August 4-10, 2019 as National Health Center Week.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Mayor Pruyn asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of July 15, 2019. Council Member Vela: Page 2, Item B, Committee/Board Reports: "This is just too general. We should show the names of who did and said what relative to those comments. We all work and read a lot as council members and we should get appropriate recognition for our efforts. So I would like to add: Mayor Pro-Tem Vela should be credited for reporting items #1-5. I have pride in participating and being the Mayor Pro-Tem." Hearing no further corrections or additions, she declared the minutes approved as amended.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS (5 minute time limit per person):
1. There was no citizen participation.

NEW BUSINESS
A. First Reading/AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE GENERAL FUN, PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FUND, TOURISM FUND, SANITATION FUND, WASTE WATER FUND AND WATER FUND FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2019. The ordinance was introduced by title only, there being copies available to those in attendance.
MOTION TO PASS THE ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING: Vela
SECOND: Goodwin

DISCUSSION: The majority of the items in this supplemental are grants that have been received and need to be reflected on the budget. It needs to show the money coming in and going out.

VOTE: The motion carried 7-0

B. Committee/Board Reports
1. Design Committee:
   - Is merely a working committee with the makeup being whoever shows up can discuss and vote on items before the committee.
   - This is not working; has not worked in the past and will not work for the future.
   - If we really want to move forward in our Downtown Revitalization, Council and the Property Owners/Retail businesses downtown need to get serious.
   - There are too many slow moving, unfinished projects, and committees in the City.
   - A work session is needed to outline the particulars of what will work or not.
2. LJ Garden Club:
   - Meetings are informal
   - Discuss problems and solution with your garden
   - Will be having guest speakers
3. LJ Cares:
   - Haven't received any calls
   - The house must be owner/occupied
   - Please call 469-0034
4. ARPA:
   - Board meeting was very interesting
   - Rick Klein received the merit award
5. AVRMC Board:
   - Reviewed Board Action summary for July 2019
6. Planning Commission:
   - Will meet Thursday August 15th at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers
   - Topics discussed will be downtown signage promotion and yard sale signs on poles

C. City Manager’s Comments
1. Asst. City Manager Bill Jackson invited all to Care Connect’s open house this Wednesday from noon – 2:00 p.m. They try very hard to participate in local events.

City Attorney’s Comments
1. Always a privilege.

D. Governing Body’s Comments
1. Council Member Vela:
   - Thanked Todd Quick for the 3rd Annual Police in the Park. Todd said they gave away bicycles, had obstacle courses, corn hole and the police dog was there. It turned out really well. Would like to give credit to Elaine, Tom, Boyd and Jeremiah.
2. Council Member Goodwin:
   - Invited to the VFW Picnic in the Park. It was a very good turn out. Thank you.
3. Mayor Pruyn:
   - It’s an election year. This council has worked tirelessly and I want to continue the efforts. I will be running for Mayor again.
Unfortunately, I had the opportunity to ride in an ambulance to the hospital. Our EMS is top notch!

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

CITY OF LA JUNTA

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Jeffri Pruyn, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Melanie R. Scofield, City Clerk