

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, December 27, 2017

SPECIAL MEETING

3:00 p.m. * Council Chambers

The special meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Barbara Clifton.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Councilors Joe Carpenter, Ed Green, Theresa Hamilton, Annick Pruett, and Mayor Barbara Clifton.

Councilor Hamilton moved to excuse Councilors Sean Strode and Joe Elliott from today's meeting; seconded by Councilor Pruett.

Roll Call: Yes – Carpenter, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Clifton

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Jim Nichols, City Clerk Kristy Christensen, City Attorney Jim Neu

CONSIDER APPROVING ORDINANCE NO. 28, SERIES OF 2017 – 1st READING

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO,
ADOPTING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE LICENSING AND
LOCATION OF MARIJUANA BUSINESSES IN THE CITY.

City Attorney Jim Neu explained the Council desires a moratorium on the issuance of any further medical marijuana business licenses or retail marijuana business licenses that may become available under the current provisions in the Rifle Municipal Code. Ordinance No. 28, Series of 2017 enacts a temporary ban on acceptance, processing, and approval of applications for any new marijuana business license through April 30, 2018. Pursuant to Section 4.4 of the City of Rifle Charter, the City Council may adopt an emergency ordinance that becomes effective immediately upon passage. Because of the nature of this action and the timing requirement of its implementation, we recommend utilizing that authority in the Charter, which requires 75% of Councilmembers present to approve an emergency ordinance.

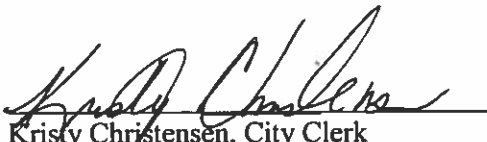
Councilor Green moved to approve Emergency Ordinance No. 28, Series of 2017, on first reading, as presented, and order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.

Roll Call: Yes – Carpenter, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Clifton

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

It was the consensus of Mayor and Council to cancel the January 3, 2018 City Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.


Kristy Christensen, City Clerk




Barbara Clifton, Mayor