

TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL
Study Session Minutes
July 2, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem J. Jiménez called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. when a quorum was present.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Pro Tem J. Eligio Jiménez and Councilmembers Gabriel Piñon, Naila Prieto and Blaine Thorington.
Absent: Mayor Clara Jiménez, Councilmember Mark Oaks and Councilmember Elpidia Saavedra.
Staff Present: City Manager Lance Hoyt (CM Hoyt), Finance Director/City Clerk Debbie Zabell and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

Councilmember Thorington moved, seconded by Councilmember Piñon to excuse Mayor C. Jiménez, Councilmember Oaks and Councilmember Saavedra from the July 2, 2018 Study Session.

UPDATE ON SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM REHABILITATION PROJECT

CM Hoyt updated Council on the sewer collection system rehabilitation project that will address the infiltration problem at the wastewater treatment facility. He noted that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was contacted to request an extension for the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit until the completion of the sewer collection system rehabilitation project. CM Hoyt further noted that EPA stated they were short staffed and there is a two and one-half year wait for permit reviews. He summarized the funding package for the \$20 million project that is a combination of loans, grants and city contribution.

CM Hoyt provided an update on the West Second Avenue construction project noting that he met with several business owners in the area. He noted that a ribbon cutting, and block party will be planned to celebrate the opening of the new street.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.



J. ELIGIO JIMÉNEZ, MAYOR PRO TEM



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EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK