

- 002 Mayor Barbara Larsen called the regular meeting of the Castle Rock City Council to order at 7:30 p.m.; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following councilmembers were present: Greg Marcil, Ed Smith and Jeff Skeie.
- 016 Councilmember Marcil made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve minutes for the April 11, 2005 regular council meeting. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye'
- 027 Police Chief Bob Heuer reports that the Educational Service District #112 (ESD#112), representing regional school districts, is applying for a grant to fund school resource officers. The grant would be for \$3 million per year for three years with the possibility of a fourth year. If approved this grant could provide our local school district with \$56,000 per year for a school resource officer. ESD#112 will be notified this fall of the status of the grant.
- 091 Public Works Director David Vorse provided an overview of the Huntington Avenue South Entrance Features planting day that was completed by volunteers. On April 13th, 14th and 21st thirty six volunteers donation 79 hours of labor. The volunteers planted 1,032 trees and bushes which will contribute as an \$869 match toward the Department of Natural Resources Urban Forestry Grant.

In response to Councilmember Smith's inquiry, Vorse explained that he will examine funding and is receiving estimates before purchasing ground cover.

- 117 Councilmember Bean arrived at 7:38 p.m.

Vorse reports that the winter banners will be changed next week. Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington added that the Chamber of Commerce would be reinstating sponsorship of a banner replacement program for purchase of non-seasonal banners.

In response to Councilmember Smith's question regarding the sidewalk program, Vorse explained that residents can contact the Public Works office to request an extension of time for repair of their sidewalks. Vorse reports that thirty-two letters were sent to property owners notifying them of the need for sidewalk repairs or removal of sidewalk obstructions.

- 168 Councilmember Smith inquired if Tim Graunitz, 527 Roake Avenue SE, has been contacted in regards to the letter received at City Hall on April 18th. Vorse reports that potholes were filled along Roake Avenue SE last week. Vorse will contact Mr. Graunitz to explain that utility payments cannot be use for street repairs.
- 198 Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington presented the first quarter Budget Summary Report. The report contains a five-year comparison of beginning fund balances and revenues. In addition, year to date expenditures were compared with year to date revenues for all funds. In response to a question by City Attorney Tom O'Neill, Covington explained that Municipal Court is budgeted as a line item within the General Fund.
- 239 Librarian Vicki Selander reports that a volunteer has been cleaning flower boxes in preparation for plantings during the upcoming May Day Pride Clean-up.

- 245 Report of Meetings
Councilmember Skeie reports that he and Senior Center President, Myron Nelson planted two trees during the Huntington Avenue South Entrance Features planting event. Community Revitalization Coordinator and AmeriCorp Vista volunteer Jessica Robertson also participated.
- 288 Councilmember Marcil made a motion, seconded by Bean to approve Resolution No. 2005-05, a resolution authorizing execution of a license agreement to Mountain Mania to operate their festival on city property, on second reading. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye.
- 292 Councilmember Skeie made a motion, seconded by Bean to approve Resolution No. 2005-06, a resolution authorizing execution of a license agreement to Castle Rock Eagles FOE #556, to operate a parade on city property, on second reading. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye.
- 297 Councilmember Bean made a motion, seconded by Smith to approve Resolution No. 2005-07, a resolution authorizing execution of a license agreement to Castle Rock Chamber Of Commerce to operate events in conjunction with Mt. St. Helens 25th Anniversary on city property, on second reading. By roll call vote, unanimous 'Aye.
- 303 Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington reports that registration of volunteers for the May Pride Day cleanup will be held at Hattie's Restaurant Courtyard, May 7th at 8:00 a.m. Following the event, Hattie's Restaurant and the Castle Rock Ministerial Association will sponsor a spaghetti feed for volunteers.
- 316 Covington stated that due to illness, Mr. Arthur cannot attend the council meeting to discuss his request for vacating a portion of street adjacent to his residence. The alley in question is a dead-end section of the alley between Warren Street and Hibbard Street SW on the east-side of Fifth Avenue SW. Councilmember Smith suggested the City Planner have the opportunity to review this request. City Attorney Tom O'Neill stated that all property owners with abutting property would need to sign the street vacation application and they would be required to purchase the vacated property at market value.
- 356 Clerk-Treasurer Ryana Covington asked if councilmembers would support amendment of the utility service fee to allow for prorating fees for partial month's service. This has become an issue with customers who leave for extended periods of time. Councilmember Smith stated that the ability to prorate sewer service would be consistent with prorating the water service for a partial month.
- 371 Covington reported that Chabin Concepts have scheduled a Business Feasibility/Marketing Meeting to be held in the Senior Center, on Wednesday May 4th beginning at 6:30 p.m. Discussion will include implementation strategies for marketing the City's assets, retainage of existing businesses and creation of new business opportunities.
- 377 In response to inquiries from Councilmember Smith, Vorse disclosed that \$53 in has been received in the RV Dump Station Donation Box, located at Lions Pride City Park. Councilmember Smith noted that he has received suggestions requesting that the pavement be leveled at the RV Dump Station. Vorse explained that the slope was constructed, in error.

408 Mayor Larsen adjourned regular session at 8:00 p.m. for a fifteen-minute executive session to discuss litigation issues.

417 Mayor Larsen resumed regular session at 8:15 p.m. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Barbara Larsen

Clerk-Treasurer