

State Center City Council
Special Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2025; 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Quick called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Darrow, Nichols, Grant (arriving at 5:32), Quick and Shaffar. Absent: Mayor Pfantz. Others Present: B. Pfantz, M. Kielly, K. Yates, E. Thompson, A. Root, Kohle Nieland, E. Moore-Sulc and L Bearden.

Motion by Darrow, 2nd by Shaffar to approve the agenda. Motion passes 4-0.

Motion by Darrow, 2nd by Shaffar to adopt Res. 26-01 setting a public hearing for August 5th at 5:30 p.m. on an Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the State Center Urban Renewal Area to add the Fire Station Project to the Urban Renewal Plan. Motion passes 5-0 roll call.

Motion by Darrow to table approval of the CGA agreement amendment 2 for the fire station project. Bearden requested the amendment be tabled as clarification on task 5 was needed. Grant 2nd; motion passes 5-0.

Motion by Darrow, 2nd by Grant to repost the Part-time Temporary Public Works job at City Hall and the city website for 10 days with the change that “CDL is preferred” instead of “required. Two individuals have been interviewed but neither have a CDL license. Motion passes 5-0.

At her request, Esther Moore-Sulc of 302 2nd Ave NW was recognized to speak to the council regarding her experience with the Police Chief regarding an alleged “nuisance/unsafe” free-standing garage on her property. Esther explained at length the work she had done on both the house and the garage, questioned the city’s nuisance officer’s qualifications to judge the garage unsafe, and noted that no one representing the city appeared in court as she had done. She asked that the chief be reprimanded. Shaffar, public safety chair, thanked Esther for speaking to the council and that the public safety committee would review the situation, but a public reprimand would not occur without getting more information.

Shaffar brought to the council’s attention information on a recently erected fire station in Garwin. He shared information from Garwin regarding costs and schedule of construction to be considered at the next State Center project committee meeting.

There being no further business, motion by Darrow, 2nd by Nichols to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. There being no objection, the meeting adjourned.

Harlan Quick, Mayor Pro-tem

Attest:

Lori Bearden, Clerk