

**January 26, 2022  
Special Meeting  
City of Gaston  
Zoom Videoconference**

**Present:** Mayor David **Meeker**, Council President Bill **Martin**, Mario **DePiero**, Billy **Nice**, Margaret **Bell**, Bob **Dooley**, and Don **Richter**.


**Absent:**

**Staff:** City Attorney Ruben **Cleaveland**, City Recorder Wenonah **Blanchette** and Public Works Specialist Rick **Mapes**.

Mayor **Meeker** called to order the special meeting at 7:00PM

- I. ROLL CALL:** Recorder **Blanchette** conducted the roll call for the record with:  
Councilor Mario **DePiero**: Present  
Councilor Billy **Nice**: Present  
Council President Bill **Martin**: Present  
Mayor David **Meeker**: Present  
Councilor Bob **Dooley**: Present  
Councilor Margaret **Bell**: Present  
Councilor Don **Richter**: Present
- II. Discussion with Attorney on Gaston Heights Development Fees:** Mayor **Meeker** turned the meeting over to the City Attorney to address issues concerning Gaston Heights's development fees that are still owed by the Developer. The Attorney explained procedures and processes the City can undertake to ensure these monies are collected. The developer was requested to pay \$13,781.67 of the \$93,553.20 originally billed to him due to discrepancies he felt were legitimate. It was discussed in August of 2021 with Tim **McDonald** to pay the lesser amount by October 1<sup>st</sup> or interest and the total amount would be owed if not paid on time. Payment of \$13,781.67 was made October 15, 2021. It was ultimately decided to have the City Attorney prepare a promissory note and present it to Tim **McDonald's** attorney negotiating to pay the remaining amount of \$79,771.53 at 6% interest over a 12-month period. If the developer does not pay on time each month, the percent accelerates to 18% and the total amount is due all at once. Tim **McDonald's** attorney will need to agree on an amount that is satisfactory to the City and the Developer or ultimately he is out of compliance with the Development Agreement and a judgement will be filed against him if he refuses to pay.
- III. ADJOURNMENT:** Councilor **DePiero** motioned to adjourn the meeting, following second heard by Councilor **Richter**. Motion carried. Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Special Meeting adjourned at 7:27PM.

  
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Mayor David Meeker

Attest:   
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City Recorder Wenonah Blanchette