



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, March 9, 2017

Wenatchee City Hall
129 South Chelan
Wenatchee, WA 98801

MINUTES

In attendance:

Mayor Frank Kuntz
Councilmember Jim Bailey
Councilmember Ruth Esparza
Councilmember Lyle Markhart
Councilmember Keith Huffaker
Councilmember Mark Kulaas
Councilmember Mike Poirier

Staff in attendance:

Executive Services Director Allison Williams
City Attorney Steve Smith
City Clerk Tammy Stanger
Deputy Clerk/Public Information Officer Annagrisel Alvarez
IS Support Tim McCord
Associate Planner Matt Parsons
Community & Economic Development Director Steve King
City Engineer Gary Owen
Planning Manager Glen DeVries
Police Captain Edgar Reinfeld
Human Resources Director Kari Page
Public Works Director Matt Leonard
Finance Director Brad Posenjak

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of meeting in executive session. Councilmembers Mark Kulaas and Linda Herald were absent.

4:00 p.m. Executive Session

Executive session to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency, matters relating to agency enforcement actions, and matters of litigation or potential litigation to which the agency is likely to become a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the city. RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

Executive session to consider the acquisition of real estate by purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. RCW 42.30.110(1)(c).

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza to convene in executive session for a time period not to exceed 5:15 p.m. with legal counsel present. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lyle Markhart. Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Mark Kulaas arrived at 4:02 p.m. and joined the executive session.

The Council adjourned from executive session at 4:59 p.m.

5:15 p.m. Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call.

The Mayor called the regular meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. Councilmember Mike Poirier led the Pledge of Allegiance. The excused absence of Councilmember Linda Herald was noted for the record.

2. Consent Items:

- Motion to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings.

Motion to approve the consent items by Councilmember Keith Huffaker. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

3. Citizen Requests/Comments.

Denise Cevallos, 1100 Kittitas Street, Wenatchee, shared information for an event she is planning for "National Missing Children's Day" on May 25 from 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. She requested a proclamation from the Mayor and assistance with reserving a location for the event. Staff will prepare a proclamation for the March 23 agenda, and the Mayor said he will waive the fee for the event location reservation for where he is able.

4. Presentations.

- Apple Blossom Royalty Proclamation read by Councilmember Keith Huffaker. Mayor Frank Kuntz presented the proclamations to Queen Amy Sand and Princesses Paige Chivilicek and Alissa Riker. The Royalty then sang a song for the audience.
- American Red Cross Month Proclamation read by Councilmember Mike Poirier and presented to Inland Empire Red Cross representatives Doug Jones, Rick Isaacson, and Kriss Salgado. Doug Jones invited everyone to the 2017 Hero Celebration on Thursday, March 23 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Convention Center.

5. Action Items.

A. AWC Center for Quality Communities Scholarship Application

Executive Services Director Allison Williams presented the staff report. Nominee Rylie Sweem was also present.

Motion for City Council to recommend Rylie Sweem for consideration of the 2017 AWC Center for Quality Communities scholarship by Councilmember Jim Bailey. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

B. Annexation for Municipal Purposes – Saddle Rock Gateway

Associate Planner Matt Parsons presented the staff report. Council asked questions. Planning Manager Glen DeVries also joined to answer.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-16, fixing time for hearing on an annexation for municipal purposes per RCW 35.A.14.300 by Councilmember Mark Kulaas. Councilmember Keith Huffaker seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

C. Interlocal Agreement for Project No. 1512 Lewis and Clark Elementary Sidewalks Improvements

City Engineer Gary Owen presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion for City Council to authorize the Mayor to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Wenatchee and Wenatchee School District No. 246, providing for the reimbursement of costs incurred with the design and construction of additional improvements associated with project no. 1521 by Councilmember Lyle Markhart. Councilmember Mike Poirier seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

D. Pybus Agreements

Community & Economic Development Director Steve King and Executive Services Director Allison Williams presented the staff report. Also present were members of the Pybus Market Charitable Foundation and staff Mike Walker, Joann Walker, Steve Robinson, Bart Clennon, and President of the Chelan County Port Commission Donn Etherington, and each spoke on the proposed transaction.

Council asked questions.

Motion to continue this item to the next meeting of March 23 for consideration by Councilmember Keith Huffaker. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-1) (Poirier nay).

E. Annexation 10 Percent Petition – Morley

Associate Planner Matt Parsons presented the staff report. Council asked questions. Planning Manager Glen DeVries was present and answered questions.

Jason and Julie Morley, 1618 Maple Street, Wenatchee, the applicants spoke to the Council.

Jerry Weaver, on behalf of neighbor Mr. Huebel, spoke in opposition of the annexation including Mr. Huebel's property.

The ten percent (10%) annexation public meeting is required for City Council to determine three items:

1. Whether the city will accept, reject, or geographically modify the proposed annexation;
2. Whether it will require the simultaneous adoption of a proposed zoning regulation;
3. Whether it will require the assumption of all or any portion of existing city indebtedness by the area to be annexed.

Motion to approve the annexation boundary labeled Option 1 of the ten percent (10%) annexation petition for property located in an unincorporated area north of Maple Street and west of Pershing Street, to require the adoption of the proposed zoning regulations as it is set forth in the Comprehensive Plan of the City as Residential Moderate, and to require the assumption of existing indebtedness of the City by the area to be annexed by Councilmember Mark Kulaas. Councilmember Ruth Esparza seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

F. Amendment No. 7 to Service Agreement with Chelan County Public Utility District

Police Captain Edgar Reinfeld presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion for City Council to approve Amendment No. 7 to Service Agreement SA No. 10-182 between the City of Wenatchee Police Department and the Chelan County Public Utility District No. 1 by Councilmember Keith Huffaker. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

G. Mayoral Approval of Employee Severance Agreements Not Exceeding Specified Value

Human Resources Director Kari Page presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-15, authorizing the Mayor to approve employee severance agreements not exceeding a specified value by Councilmember Mike Poirier. Councilmember Keith Huffaker seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

6. Reports.

a. Mayor's Report – The Mayor reported on the following:

- He attended the Transportation Council meeting this morning where spirited discussions were held regarding gas tax and reallocation of funding for projects.
- Allison Williams stated that the city once again received the WellCity award.
- Annagrisel Alvarez was introduced to the Council as the new Deputy City Clerk/Public Information Officer.
- Allison Williams spoke about the public neighborhood meeting held last week regarding the Second Street Bridge and that a future meeting will be planned at the site. The presentation is on the website.
- The CPAW presentation was held this week and the presentation materials are on the website.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

- Councilmember Mike Poirier announced he was interested in running for a board position with the Association of Washington Cities.

7. Announcements. None.

8. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk