

WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Thursday, May 18, 2017

5:15 pm

WENATCHEE CITY HALL

129 South Chelan

Wenatchee, WA 98801

MINUTES

Present:

Mayor Frank J. Kuntz

Councilmember Jim Bailey

Councilmember Ruth Esparza

Councilmember Lyle Markhart

Councilmember Keith Huffaker

Councilmember Mark Kulaas

Councilmember Mike Porier

Staff Present:

Executive Services Director Allison Williams

City Clerk Tammy Stanger

Public Information Officer Annagrisel Alvarez

Community Development Director Glen DeVries

Associate Planner Matt Parsons

Economic Development Director Steve King

Public Works Director Matt Leonard

Finance Director Brad Posenjak

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center – Annual Report

Sandy Cohen, Director of the Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center, presented a short video highlighting the accomplishments of the past year for the Museum. One of the greatest highlights was that the Museum received the 2016 non-profit of the year award at

the Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce annual banquet. He spoke about the future plans of the Museum, including a capital campaign for improvements to modernize the exhibits. The Mayor commended Sandy and the Museum, stating that the Museum has come a long ways over the last four years!

B. Comp Plan Update, (overview/questions)

Associate Planner Matt Parsons provided an overview of the land use and housing elements of the plan and went over the proposed significant changes. Community Development Director Glen DeVries provided an overview of the significant comments received, current housing needs, and minor modifications to the land use tables and final clarifications, Olds Station land use designations and zoning map amendments. The final Comprehensive Plan is set for a July 8 hearing before the City Council.

C. North Wenatchee Avenue Form and Function Study

Economic Development Director Steve King and Public Works Director Matt Leonard presented the findings from the North Wenatchee Avenue Forms and Function Study prepared by Crandall Arambula. Also present were Link Transit Director Richard DeRock, Chelan-Douglas Transportation Council Director Jeff Wilkens, and Department of Transportation Representative Nick Manzano, who each spoke about the project. Council discussed the overview and concurred that Option B provided the best value overall and provided flexibility for the future. The Mayor noted the need to get definition to direct staff to move forward now.

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk