



## WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, September 28, 2017

Wenatchee City Hall

129 South Chelan

Wenatchee, WA 98801

### MINUTES

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**In attendance:**

Mayor Frank Kuntz  
Councilmember Jim Bailey  
Councilmember Lyle Markhart  
Councilmember Keith Huffaker  
Councilmember Linda Herald  
Councilmember Mike Poirier

**Staff in attendance:**

Executive Services Director Allison Williams  
City Attorney Steve Smith  
Public Information Officer/Deputy Clerk Annagrisel Alvarez  
IS Support Jessie Saucedo  
Utilities Senior Engineer Jeremy Hoover  
Police Chief Steve Crown  
Community Development Director Glen DeVries  
Economic Development Director Steve King  
Finance Director Brad Posenjak  
Public Works Director Matt Leonard  
Utilities Manager Mitch Reister

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#### 5:15 p.m. Regular Meeting

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

Mayor Frank J. Kuntz called the regular meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. Councilmember Mike Poirier led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmembers Jim Bailey, Lyle Markhart, Keith Huffaker and Mike Poirier were present, with Councilmembers Mark Kulaas and Ruth Esparza absent and Councilmember Linda Herald en route.

##### 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 (4-0).**

3. Citizen Comments. None.

4. Presentations.

- Public Power Week Proclamation was read by Councilmember Keith Huffaker.

5. Action Items.

A. SR 285 – North Wenatchee Avenue Improvements Pre-Design; Project No. 1720

Public Works Director Matt Leonard presented the proposed projects along N. Wenatchee Ave. Mayor and Council commented. Jim Bailey further commented and asked questions.

**Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with KPG for design services for the SR 285 North Wenatchee Avenue Improvements Pre-Design (Project No. 1720), and further authorize the Mayor to sign a contract on behalf of the City. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (4-0).**

*[Councilmember Linda Herald joined the meeting at 5:30 p.m.]*

B. Washington Street Irrigation Association Agreement

Public Works Director Matt Leonard presented staff report, Mayor and Council commented.

**Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with Washington Street Irrigation Association to provide irrigation water to Washington Park. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).**

C. City Hall – Governmental Services Administration (GSA) Bid

Economic Development Director Steve King presented the staff report. Mayor and Council commented.

**Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart to authorize the Mayor and staff to submit a bid to the Federal Government for lease of the existing City Hall building. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).**

D. Olds Station Sanitary Sewer Extension Phase 1 – Project No. 1718

Senior Engineer – Utilities Jeremy Hoover presented the staff report. Mayor and Council commented.

**Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with RH2 Engineering, Inc., for design services for the Olds Station Sanitary Sewer Extension Phase 1 (Project No. 1718), and further authorize the Mayor to sign a contract on behalf of the City. Motion seconded by Lyle Markhart. Motion carried (5-0).**

**6. Public Hearings.**

E. Shieni Annexation

The Mayor called the public hearing to order. Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented staff report. The Mayor asked for public comment. There was no one who wished to speak.

**Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey to approve Ordinance No. 2017-21, providing for the annexation of an unincorporated area located at the northeast corner of Stella and Walnut known as the Shieni Annexation, subject to the provisions of Ordinance No. 2007-34 and all subsequent amendments thereto. Motion seconded by Linda Herald. Motion carried (5-0)**

**7. Reports.**

a. Mayor's Report

- (1) The Mayor reported about the Finance Committee meeting that was held earlier, all department heads submitted their budgets and requests our timing in accordance with state law. Some additional meetings will be held to discuss smaller items next week.
- (2) The City has 1.6 million dollars in payback from the Public Facilities District, 1 million will go to Streets. The rest will be allocated at a later date.
- (3) Executive Services Director Allison Williams shared the announcement of FEMA Award honorable mention for Community Preparedness regarding the Community Planning Assistance for Wildfires process. Mayor gave kudos to Allison and Steve King and Chief Burnett on this project.
- (4) Coming up: Meeting with Washington State Senator Brad Hawkins in October, and State Legislators on November 9<sup>th</sup>.
- (5) Great team working on INFRA Grant. Due date is November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Future trip of the team to Washington D.C.

- (6) The Mayor commented about the Economic Development breakfast and all the new and exciting happenings in the valley, he added that the Diamond Foundry will bring job opportunities to the valley.
- (7) Mayor commented about city's potential rating upgrade. Brad Posenjak provided additional comments.
- (8) Mayor said that community member Bob Parlette passed away last week, he said that our trail system would not be what it is today if it wouldn't have been for his leadership.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

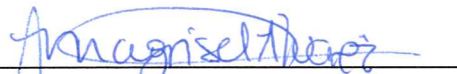
- (1) Councilmember Jim Bailey reported that the RMSA Board meeting determined that the base rate for insurance should be 3% just like last year.
- (2) Mayor announced next meeting dates on October 12<sup>th</sup>, work session on October 19<sup>th</sup> and regular meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**8. Announcements.** None.

**9. Adjournment.** With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

  
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Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Annagrisel Alvarez, Public Information Officer/Deputy Clerk