



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, October 26, 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 (via phone)
Councilmember Linda Herald
Councilmember Mike Poirier

Staff in attendance:

Executive Services Director Allison Williams
City Attorney Steve Smith
City Clerk Tammy Stanger
IS Support Tim McCord
PIO/Deputy Clerk Annagrisel Alvarez
Finance Director Brad Posenjak
Economic Development Director Steve King
Police Chief Steve Crown
Utilities Engineer Jeremy Hoover
Community Development Director Glen DeVries
Public Works Director Matt Leonard

4:45 p.m. Executive Session

Mayor Frank Kuntz called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. for the purpose of meeting in executive session. Councilmembers Mike Poirier and Mark Kulaas were not present.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker to meet in executive session to consider the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. RCW 42.30.110(1)(b); and to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of decreased price. RCW 42.30.110(1)(c), for a time period not to exceed 30 minutes, with city attorney present. Motion seconded by Councilmember Linda Herald. Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Mike Poirier arrived right after the motion. Councilmember Mark Kulaas participated in the executive session via telephone conference. Council adjourned from executive session at 5:12 p.m.

5:15 p.m. Regular Meeting

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

Mayor Frank Kuntz called the regular meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. Councilmember Mike Poirier led the Pledge of Allegiance. All Councilmembers were present, with Councilmember Mark Kulaas participating via telephone conference.

2. Consent Items:

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

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker to approve the agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings. Motion seconded by Councilmember Jim Bailey. Motion carried (7-0).

3. Citizen Requests/Comments. None.

4. Presentations.

- Waste Water Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance Award.

Department of Ecology Representative Coleman Miller presented the Outstanding Performance Award to WWTP Supervisor Adam Reichert on behalf of the WWTP team, which includes: Chad Noah, Josh Rader, Ron Eaton, Travis Clark, Bob Calhoun, Devlin Walt, Katy Landers, Efrain Ramirez, Adam Focht, Barry Clements and Brent Corbaley. The award represents 100% compliance for the entire year, with over 3 million gallons coming in a day to the treatment plant.

- Veteran's Day Proclamation.

The Veteran's Day Proclamation was read by Councilmember Linda Herald and presented to Dan Heimbecker who invited everyone to attend the Veterans Day Parade. He also announced that the American Legion Post 10 will hold a free breakfast on that day.

- Patrick Jones Annual Briefing.

Dr. Patrick Jones presented his annual Chelan-Douglas Trends website presentation to the Council. The latest data will come out later this year. He highlighted the following indicators: population (rate of growth and demographics), economic indicators (median household income, poverty rates, sales tax revenues, educational attainment), population density, and public safety stats. He will be working through a process with stakeholders to enlarge the number of indicators on the site.

A brief recess was called at 6:04 p.m. The meeting resumed at 6:09 p.m.

Councilmember Mark Kulaas was excused from the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

5. Action Items.

A. Civil Service Commission Secretary/Examiner Services Agreement

Police Chief Steve Crown presented the staff report. Lynn Floyd was also present and the Council thanked her for her commitment to the Civil Service Commission.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to approve the Services Agreement with Lynn Floyd, Civil Service Commission Secretary/Examiner. Motion seconded by Councilmember Linda Herald. Motion carried (6-0).

B. Interlocal Agreement with WSDOT for Project 1703

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

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to authorize the Mayor to approve the Interlocal Agreement GCB 2658 between the City of Wenatchee and the Washington State Department of Transportation, providing for the payment of costs incurred with design and construction of requested improvements. Councilmember Mike Poirier seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

C. Skyline Reservoir Transmission Line Replacement, Project No. 1704

Senior Engineer – Utilities Jeremy Hoover presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with BHC Consultants for design services for the Skyline Reservoir Transmission Line Replacement (Project No. 1704) and further authorize the Mayor to sign a contract on behalf of the city. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

D. Wenatchee Reclamation Agreements – Hale Park Irrigation

Public Works Director Matt Leonard presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza for City Council to approve the Utility Crossing and Water Lease Agreements with the Wenatchee Reclamation District, and authorize the Mayor's signature. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

E. Convention Center Roofing Project No. 1609B – Final Acceptance

Public Works Director Matt Leonard presented the staff report. Councilmember Linda Herald recused herself from this item due to a conflict of interest. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to accept the work performed by the contractor Fluid Applied Roofing, LLC, on Convention Center Roofing Project No. 1609B and further authorize the Mayor to sign the Final Contract Voucher Certification on behalf of the City of Wenatchee. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

F. Purchase and Sale Agreement with Weidner Apartment Homes

Economic Development Director Steve King and City Attorney Steve Smith presented the staff report. Council asked questions. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Weidner Apartment Homes. Councilmember Ruth Esparza seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

G. Tourism Promotion Area Board Appointment – Jason Grover

Executive Services Director Allison Williams presented the staff report. TPA Board Chair Freyda Stephens was also present. Councilmember Linda Herald recused herself from this item due to a conflict of interest.

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza to approve Resolution No. 2017-54, appointing a voting representative to the Tourism Promotion Area Board to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2018 (Jason Grover). Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

6. Public Hearings.

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

H. Public Hearing on Moratorium for Outdoor Storage Uses in the North Wenatchee Business District in the Olds Station Area

Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

The Mayor asked for public comment. There was no one who wished to speak to the matter.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey to continue the moratorium established by Ordinance No. 2017-20, based on the findings included in the adopting ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ruth Esparza. Motion carried (6-0).

I. Continuation of Public Hearing on Vacation of Right-of-Way along Ohme Garden Road

City Engineer Gary Owen presented the staff report.

The Mayor asked for public comment. There was no one who wished to speak to the matter.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to continue the hearing date to consider the vacation of a portion of city right-of-way along Ohme Garden Road, to November 9, 2017. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

7. Reports.

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported that staff continues to work hard on the INFRA grant and receiving letters of support; a couple of real estate deals are in the works; he and staff visited today with the WSU president's wife, Noelle Schultz; the finance committee worked on capital items today for the budget, and after the 2017 financial reports are complete the committee will take a look at additional capital projects to add. Councilmember Lyle Markhart provided him with a proclamation that declares October 30 as weatherization day in Washington State. He and staff met with representatives from the Library today and there is a need for some building improvements.
- b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees. Councilmember Jim Bailey reported that Link Transit will be holding a special meeting on November 13 to discuss funding and provide direction.

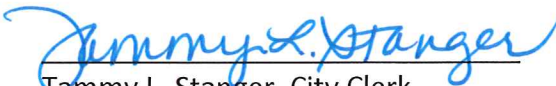
8. Announcements. None.

9. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk