



## WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, March 8, 2018

Wenatchee City Hall  
129 South Chelan  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

### MINUTES

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*In attendance:*

Mayor Frank Kuntz  
Councilmember Jim Bailey  
Councilmember Ruth Esparza (via phone)  
Councilmember Lyle Markhart  
Councilmember Keith Huffaker (via phone)  
Councilmember Mark Kulaas  
Councilmember Linda Herald  
Councilmember Mike Poirier

*Staff in attendance:*

Executive Services Director Allison Williams  
City Attorney Steve Smith  
City Clerk Tammy Stanger  
IS Support Jessi Saucedo  
Community Development Director Glen DeVries  
Engineering Services Manager Jacob Huylar  
City Engineer Gary Owen  
Economic Development Director Steve King  
Senior Planner John Ajax  
Public Works Director Matt Leonard  
Public Information Officer Annagrisel Alvarez

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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 5:15 p.m. Councilmember Jim Bailey led the Pledge of Allegiance. All Councilmembers were present with Councilmembers Ruth Esparza and Keith Huffaker participating via phone conference.

##### 2. Consent Items:

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

##### 3. Citizen Requests/Comments. None.

#### 4. Presentations.

- Apple Blossom Royalty Proclamation read by Councilmember Linda Herald. Queen Gretta Wiersma, and Princesses Sophie Castillo and Jessica Murray were present and said a few words and sang their Apple Blossom Song. Mayor Kuntz presented each with a proclamation and a city pin.
- Red Cross Month Proclamation read by Councilmember Mark Kulaas and presented to Red Cross staff. Rick Isaacson said a few words and invited everyone to attend the Hometown Heroes event on March 28 at 6pm at the Wenatchee Convention Center. He also announced that March 29 is Red Cross Giving Day.

#### 5. Action Items.

##### A. Wenatchee Planning Commission Appointment – Richard Erickson

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

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey to approve Resolution No. 2018-11, appointing a voting representative to the Wenatchee Planning Commission to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2021 (Richard Erickson). Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

##### B. Multi-Family Housing Tax Exemption Agreement – 615 Piere Street

Glen DeVries, Community Development Director, and John Ajax, Senior Planner, presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier to approve Resolution No. 2018-12, authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

##### C. Red Apple Road Preservation Project #1607 – Supplement #2 with RH2 Engineering, Inc.

Jacob Huylar, Engineering Services Manager, presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Linda Herald for City Council approval and to authorize the Mayor to execute supplemental #2 with RH2 Engineering, Inc. providing for additional design and construction inspection services for the Red Apple Road Preservation Project No. 1607. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

##### D. Project No. 1703, WSDOT Mission Avenue Paving and ADA Improvements

Amendment #1 to Interlocal Agreement GCB 2658 with WSDOT for Design and Construction Services for the City of Wenatchee

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to authorize the Mayor to approve Amendment No. 1 to 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 associated with the SR 285 Wenatchee Area Paving Project. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

E. Northwest Wholesale Property Acquisition

Steve King, Economic Development Director, presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to approve the amendment of the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Northwest Wholesale and authorize the Mayor to sign all closing documents thereto. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

**6. Public Hearings.**

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

F. Extension of Moratorium on Outdoor Storage in the North Wenatchee Business District in the Olds Station Area

Glen DeVries, Community Development Director, presented the staff report.

There were no questions from the City Council.

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas to approve Ordinance No. 2018-07, extending for an additional six (6) months the moratorium within the City of Wenatchee on the establishment, siting, location, permitting, or licensing of outdoor sales or rentals, or storage of merchandise, inventory or equipment in the North Wenatchee Business District until September 8, 2018. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

**7. Reports.**

a. Mayor's Report

The Mayor reported on several items he has been watching in Olympia, one of them being the Voting Rights Act, which is expected to receive the Governor's signature. The City Attorney will review and interpret the bill and then follow up with the Council in April. A request for NEPA funding for the Confluence Parkway project was approved for \$400,000 in the state's supplemental transportation budget and is awaiting the Governor's signature.

Executive Services Director Allison Williams added that the request for funding for Our Valley Our Future has been included in the state operating budget for \$140,000. There are two bid openings tomorrow (McKittrick Street and Red Apple Road), and the Trust for Public Land recently provided an update on Methow Park and will present to the Council in April. The annual report went out this week, and the city has again received the Well City Award. The Mayor reminded the Council that the Chamber banquet is next week.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

Councilmember Linda Herald reported that she attended the Misawa Sister City Board meeting recently and Misawa will not be here for Apple Blossom this year, but they are planning for the Wings & Wheels Festival.

Councilmember Jim Bailey recently attended a conference in San Diego on behalf of the RMSA Board. RMSA is recognized nationally for good fiscal responsibility and provides really great service to members.

Councilmember Mike Poirier reported that he and Councilmember Ruth Esparza recently met with Confluence Health CFO Mr. Doyle and CEO Dr. Rutherford regarding the payment in lieu of taxes agreement. They will be exchanging information and hope to wrap up by June.

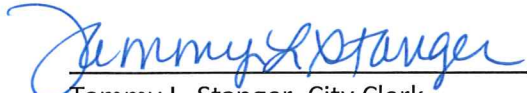
**8. Announcements.**

Executive Services Director Allison Williams announced that next week's work session will include annual reports from the city's advisory boards and an update from the Housing Steering Committee. Councilmember Jim Bailey will be absent next week. Councilmember Ruth Esparza will participate in the meeting via phone conference.

**9. Adjournment.** With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

  
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Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:

  
Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk