



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, September 13, 2018

Wenatchee City Hall
129 South Chelan Avenue
Wenatchee, WA 98801

MINUTES

In attendance:

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

Staff in attendance:

Executive Services Director Allison Williams
Assistant City Attorney Danielle Marchant
City Clerk Tammy Stanger
IS Support Tim McCord
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson
Economic Development Director Steve King
Public Works Director Rob Jammerman
City Engineer Gary Owen
Community Development Director Glen DeVries
Engineering Services Manager Jacob Huylar
Utilities Manager John Ricardi
Finance Director Brad Posenjak

5:15 p.m. Regular Meeting.

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

Mayor Frank J. Kuntz called the regular meeting of the Wenatchee City Council to order at 5:15 p.m. Councilmember Mike Poirier led the Pledge of Allegiance. The excused absence of Councilmember Jim Bailey was noted for the record. Councilmembers Kulaas and Huffaker participated in the meeting via phone conference.

2. Consent Items.

- Motion to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings.
- Resolution No. 2018-32, revising the regular meeting schedule for November and December 2018.

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza to approve the consent agenda items.

Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

3. Citizen Requests/Comments.

Manuel Valencia, on behalf of the United Neighbors Association, thanked the City Council for their support of the improvements in South Wenatchee. They are very pleased with more police presence in the area, especially on weekends, and wish to continue to work with the city for the common good of the city. Their annual neighborhood event is scheduled for October 13 at Methow Park and he will be coming to the next Council meeting to official invite the Mayor and City Council.

4. Presentations.

- Childhood Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation read by Councilmember Mike Poirier and Councilmember Linda Herald. The Mayor presented the Proclamation to Amy Smith and her son Parker, and to Sarah Strong and her son Anthony.
- Young Professionals Week Proclamation read by Councilmember Ruth Esparza and presented to Wenatchee Downtown Association Program & Event Director Meredith Hilger, PAC Marketing Director Marissa Collins, and PAC Program Manager Alex Haley.
- GEAR UP National Week Proclamation read by Councilmember Linda Herald and presented to Gaby Fernandez, and staff Gabe and Leanna, who spoke about the program and announced that WHS now has a 91% graduation rate.

5. Action Items.

A. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for RiverCom Data Hosting

Assistant City Attorney Danielle Marchant presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to approve the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for RiverCom Data Hosting and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

B. Diversity Council Code Update

Diversity Advisory Council members Carrie Gavin (Chair) and Emily Gale, along with Executive Services Director Allison Williams presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza to approve Ordinance No. 2018-27, amending Chapter 1.50 of the Wenatchee City Code relating to the Advisory Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. Councilmember Mike Poirier seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

C. Department of Ecology Remedial Action Grant for Gold Knob Prospect Site

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the Toxics Cleanup Remedial Action Grant Program Agreement between the City of Wenatchee and State of Washington Department of Ecology for the Gold Knob Prospect Site. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

D. Authorization to Sign GSA Lease

Economic Development Director Steve King presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to authorize the Mayor to negotiate and sign a lease with GSA for 129 South Chelan Avenue. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[At 6:04 p.m. Councilmember Mark Kulaas left the meeting.]

E. On-Call Agreement with RH2 Engineering for General Engineering Services

Engineering Services Manager Jacob Huylar and City Engineer Gary Owen presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with RH2 Engineering for professional engineering services necessary to augment city engineering staff, and further authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the city. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

F. Improvement Agreement for Broadview Phase IX, Block B, Plat Alt-17-02

Community Development Director Glen DeVries and Public Works Director Rob Jammerman presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the Improvement Agreement for the Plat Alteration, Broadview Phase IX, Block B, after the City Engineer and City Attorney have reviewed and approved the Improvement Agreement and Surety. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

G. P-Alt-17-02; Final Plat Alteration of Broadview Phase IX, Block B

Community Development Director Glen DeVries and Public Works Director Rob Jammerman presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the final mylar for the alteration of Broadview Phase IX, Block B, also known as P-Alt-17-02, once the Improvement Agreement has been accepted and approved by the Public Works Department. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

6. Public Hearing Items.

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

H. Comprehensive Water System Plan Adoption

Public Works Director Rob Jammerman and Utilities Manager John Ricardi presented the staff report. Also present was RH2 Engineer Ryan Peterson.

The Mayor asked for public comment. There was none.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to approve the draft City of Wenatchee Comprehensive Water System Plan for submittal to the Department of Health. Councilmember Mike Poirier seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart to approve Ordinance No. 2018-23, amending Chapter 9.12 WCC relating to water – rules and regulations. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

7. Reports.

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:
- (1) Attended a meeting with staff and the State Historic Preservation Officer Nick Vann this week and discussed second story development matters and the city's fire code.
 - (2) Toured the old WSDOT site.
 - (3) Attended a meeting with staff and Mr. Weidner today regarding the property on Mission and Kittitas.
 - (4) The preliminary budget will have a first run in two weeks.
 - (5) Staff will be doing a parking presentation at the PUD Commissioners on Monday at 10am. Council is invited to attend that presentation.
 - (6) District cards have been printed and are in the process of being mailed.

(7) The County pop-up event is scheduled for Thursday, September 27 from 10am to 3pm.

(8) A Council work session is planned for next Thursday.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

Councilmember Linda Herald reported that she had an amazing time in Misawa. She will do a presentation at next week's work session. She encourages everyone to go to Misawa.

Councilmember Lyle Markhart announced that Keni Sturgeon will begin her new role at the Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center on November 19. He also reported that he received a call from a citizen concerning tents under the Sellar Bridge.

Councilmember Keith Huffaker provided an update on the Waste Management recycling fee increase request. He said several jurisdictions are reporting that they too are being asked to pay an increase, and they are opting to pay a "surcharge".

8. Announcements.

9. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk