

**WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
WENATCHEE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
301 Yakima Street, 2nd Floor
Wenatchee, WA 98801
Thursday, February 21, 2019
5:15 p.m.**

Minutes

Present:

Mayor Frank Kuntz
Councilmember Jim Bailey
Councilmember Lyle Markhart
Councilmember Ruth Esparza
Councilmember Mark Kulaas
Councilmember Linda Herald
Councilmember Mike Poirier

Staff Present:

Executive Services Director Allison Williams
Public Information Officer/ Deputy Clerk Annagrisel Alvarez
Economic Development Director Steve King
Public Works Director Rob Jammerman
Utilities Manager John Ricardi
Senior Engineer Jeremy Hoover
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson
Building Official Cliff Burdick
Code Enforcement Officer John Fairbanks

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. **National Rec to Tech Program.** Digital Harbor Foundation has launched the Rec-to-Tech National Design Challenge to build a model that creates maker and computer science education programs serving youth in rec centers around the country. This initiative has generated interest in the Valley and Andrew Coy from the Digital Harbor Foundation presented City Council with information about this challenge and the advantages it brings to communities.

B. **Chelan-Douglas Trends.** Dr. Patrick Jones from Eastern Washington University provided an update on county-wide trends that affect our valley and surrounding areas. The trends can be viewed at the web page chelalandouglastrends.ewu.edu. This site has been redesigned since his visit last year. The Our Valley Our Future initiative has added a new section to highlight this initiative and measure progress.

C. **Cemetery Code Updates.** A preliminary copy of the proposed cemetery code updates were presented to the Council.

After review by the Arts, Recreation and Cultural Services Board and the City Attorney, a revision of the updates will come back to City Council.

D. **Sewer Work Plan.** John Ricardi, Utilities Manager presented an update on the sewer comprehensive plan, a look at future projects, and a suggested review of the financial model analysis to determine future funding options.

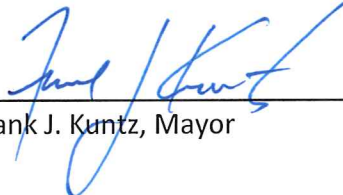
E. **Code Enforcement Work Plan and Code Updates.** Building Inspector Cliff Burdick provided an update on code enforcement efforts and asked for the guidance of Council on several needed code revisions.

A summary of the year showed the following:

Inspections Performed:	3,580
Code Compliance Cases:	938
Code Compliance Cases Resolved:	896 (95.5% resolution rate)

Cliff also reminded everyone about the annual cleanup/recycling event scheduled for April 13.

With nothing further to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk