



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, August 8, 2019

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers

301 Yakima Street, 2nd Floor

Wenatchee, WA 98801

MINUTES

In attendance:

Mayor Frank Kuntz
Councilmember Jim Bailey
Councilmember Ruth Esparza
Councilmember Lyle Markhart
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
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson
Capital Projects Manager Charlotte Mitchell
Senior Engineer Jeremy Hoover
Engineering Services Manager Jacob Huylar
Housing & Community Planner Brooklyn Holton
Finance Director Brad Posenjak
Public Works Director Rob Jammerman

Mayor Frank J. Kuntz called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. for the purpose of meeting in executive session. The excused absence of Councilmember Keith Huffaker was noted for the record.

4:30 p.m. Executive Session

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas to convene in executive session with legal counsel present for a time period not to exceed 40 minutes to consider the acquisition of real estate when public knowledge regarding such purchase would cause a likelihood of increased price; and to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of decreased price. RCW 42.30.110(1)(b)(c). Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Council adjourned from executive session at 5:08 p.m.

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 Ruth Esparza led the Pledge of Allegiance. The excused absence of Councilmember Keith Huffaker was noted for the record.

2. Consent Items:

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings, to move item K to the first item on the agenda, and to approve Resolution No. 2019-26, revising the regular meeting schedule for November and December, 2019. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

3. Citizen Requests/Comments.

Kris Weythman, 315 Fuller Street, Wenatchee, spoke of his concerns with the senior/disabled utility rate discount, and threshold increases with cost of living. Finance Director Brad Posenjak will look into the questions and concerns.

4. Presentations.

Consultant Kendra Breiland of Fehr & Peers and Public Works Director Rob Jammerman presented the Western Foothills Impact Fee Study. It was the consensus of the City Council to move forward with further analysis and determine a cost range for the impact fees.

5. Action Items.

A. 2019-2021 Homeless Grant Funding Recommendations

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to accept the Steering Committee's recommendations and authorize the Mayor to amend the grant agreement between the Department of Commerce and the City of Wenatchee for the Consolidated Homeless/Housing & Essential Needs Grant (CHG/HEN) to support the recommendations outlined above; and enter into two-year grant agreements with subgrantees as recommended above by the Homeless Steering Committee. Motion seconded by Councilmember Linda Herald. Motion carried (6-0).

B. Cemetery Strategic Plan Draft

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

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to approve the Cemetery Strategic Plan as Appendix D of the 2018-24 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Comprehensive Plan. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

C. Approval to sign a contract for construction of the Saddle Rock Phase 1 Interim Removal Action

Capital Projects Manager Charlotte Mitchell presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign a standard construction contract with DW Excavation, Inc. in the amount of \$299,344.77 for construction of the Saddle Rock Phase I – Interim Removal Action Project. Councilmember Ruth Esparza seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

D. Approval to amend contract with GeoEngineering

Capital Projects Manager Charlotte Mitchell presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign a contract amendment with GeoEngineers, Inc. in the amount of \$120,807 for Saddle Rock Phase I – Interim Removal Action Project. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

**E. Poplar Avenue Sanitary Sewer Extension – Project #1902
Authorization to Award Construction Contract to DJB Construction**

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

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza for City Council to award the contract for construction of the Poplar Avenue Sanitary Sewer Extension Project #1902 to DJB Construction in the amount of \$180,112.02, and further authorize the Mayor to sign the construction contract. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

F. First Street Bikeway, Project #1914 – Budget Authorization

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

Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart for City Council to approve the proposed budget for City Project 1914. Councilmember Mike Poirier seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

G. Miller School Zone and Okanogan Crossing Improvements, Project #1915 – Budget Authorization

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

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to approve the proposed budget for City Project 1915. Councilmember Ruth Esparza seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

H. Methow Street Improvements, Project #1916 – Budget Authorization

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to approve the proposed budget for City Project 1916. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

I. Maple Street Improvements, Project #1917 – Budget Authorization

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

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza for City Council to approve the proposed budget for City Project 1917. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

J. 2020 AC Water Main Replacement, Project #1918 – Budget Authorization

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

Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart for City Council to approve the proposed budget for City Project 1918. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

K. Elliott Avenue Multiuse Pathway, Project #SW19-08 – Budget Authorization

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to approve the proposed budget for City Project SW19-08. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

6. Public Hearing Items.

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

L. Community Development Block Grant 2019 Annual Action Plan

Housing & Community Planner Brooklyn Holton presented the staff report.

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

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to adopt the City of Wenatchee Community Development Block Grant draft 2019 Annual Action Plan as a final version and authorize the Mayor to sign the application for CDBG assistance, certifications and assurances. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

7. Reports.

a. Mayor's Report

- (1) The Mayor attended a meeting with Douglas County to discuss a potential land development.
- (2) The Mayor participated in a tour of Confluence Parkway with PUD officials.
- (3) He and Allison met with the Chelan Co. Commissioners on Tuesday. This will be the regular time to meet with the Commissioners on the first Tuesday of each month.
- (4) The Mayor participated in National Night Out on Tuesday.
- (5) The Mayor and staff participated in the Rotary Park picnic shelter ribbon cutting on Wednesday.
- (6) The Mayor announced that the Transportation Council awarded the city \$1.2 million to continue the NEPA process for Confluence Parkway.
- (7) The Mayor congratulated Rivercom and Link for the taxes passing.

(8) Allison reminded Council of next week's Work Session meeting. She reminded Councilmember Esparza that Rivercom meets next week.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees. None.

8. Announcements.

9. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk