

# WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL Thursday, October 24, 2019

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers 301 Yakima Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Wenatchee, WA 98801

## **MINUTES**

#### In attendance:

# Staff in attendance:

Mayor Frank Kuntz
Councilmember Jim Bailey
Councilmember Ruth Esparza
Councilmember Lyle Markhart
Councilmember Keith Huffaker
Councilmember Mark Kulaas

Councilmember Linda Herald

Executive Services Director Allison Williams City Attorney Steve Smith

IS Support Tim McCord Police Chief Steve Crown

Environmental Manager Jessica Shaw Senior Engineer Jeremy Hoover

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson

**Economic Development Director Steve King** 

**Project Manager Matt Shales** 

Community Development Director Glen DeVries

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 meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. Councilmember Lyle Markhart led the Pledge of Allegiance. The excused absence of Councilmember Mike Poirier was noted for the record. The Mayor noted that in the next action the Housing Code hearing will be continued for those in attendance for that purposes.

#### 2. Consent Items:

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas to approve agenda with a change to the agenda (Item 6-G) continuing the public hearing for the housing code to November 7, 2019, approving the vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings, and to approve Resolution No. 2019-42, declaring certain personal property surplus to the needs of the City of Wenatchee and authorizing the Department of Public Works to dispose of the personal property identified herein. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

- 3. Citizen Requests/Comments. None.
- 4. Presentations. None.
- 5. Action Items.
  - A. Interlocal Agreement Special Investigative Unit

Police Chief Steve Crown presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to provide authorization for the Mayor to sign the Special Investigative Unit Interlocal Agreement. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

B. 2019-2021 Biennial Stormwater Capacity Grant

Environmental Manager Jessica Shaw presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart for City Council to authorize the Mayor's signature on the 2019-2021 Biennial Stormwater Capacity Grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology. Councilmember Mark Kulaas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

C. WWTP Equalization Basin Liner Replacement Project No. 1620 – Final Acceptance

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

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to accept the work performed by the contractor, KRCI, LLC, Inc. for the WWTP Equalization Basin Liner Replacement — Project No. 1620, and further authorize the Mayor to sign the Final Contract Voucher Certification on behalf of the City of Wenatchee. Councilmember Ruth Esparza seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

D. Kenzie's Landing Project

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

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza for City Council to approve the project agreement with Chelan Douglas Land Trust for the Kenzie's Landing Project and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to approve the project funding agreement 18-1247C with the State of Washington for the Kenzie's Landing Project and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to approve the purchase and sale agreement with the Chelan Douglas Land Trust for the Kenzie's Landing Project and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Councilmember Keith Huffaker seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

# E. Interlocal Agreement with Link Transit

Economic Development Director Steve King presented the staff report. Councilmember Jim Bailey recused himself from this item due to a conflict of interest.

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign an interlocal agreement with Link Transit for \$200,000 to be used to support the Confluence Parkway NEPA compliance project. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

F. North Wenatchee Building Demolition – Project 1712

Economic Development Project Manager Matt Shales provided an updated staff report to the City Council.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to authorize the Mayor to award and sign the construction contract to the lowest responsive bidder, Ascendent, LLC, in the amount of \$269,065.06, upon review by WSDOT and City Attorney. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

# 6. Public Hearing Items.

G. Housing Code Update (continued to November 7, 2019).

## 7. Reports.

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:
  - (1) He and staff attended a meeting this week with the Department of Commerce and Senator Parlette regarding Parkside and the need for capital dollars. They provided some ideas, and it is hopeful that when the Governor presents the supplemental budget next month there may be some dollars in there for Parkside.
  - (2) He attended a housing forum and tour on Wednesday with 6-8 members of the House and Senate.

- (3) A real estate deal that has been in the works is not going forward as the counteroffer was not accepted. The Mayor asked for direction on other development opportunities regarding still pursuing the parking garage in the LRF district.
- (4) Executive Services Director Allison Williams added that a meeting was held yesterday regarding the proposed foothills impact fees.
- (5) The Mayor and staff met with representatives from Alcoa for an update on the plant.
- (6) He and staff participated in a phone call with the Governor's office about issues, including the Department of Ecology lead arsenic issue.
- (7) He attended the AWC Cities on Tap meeting.
- (8) He and staff attended a meeting with the Wenatchee School District cabinet, and went over developments across the city for planning purposes.
- b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

Councilmember Lyle Markhart gave a shout out to City Attorney Steve Smith and Danielle Marchant for their presentation at the IACC conference.

Councilmember Keith Huffaker reported that the moderate waste facility grand opening is being rescheduled.

Councilmember Linda Herald said the Misawa Sister City Association met yesterday and they are recruiting for next year.

# 8. Announcements.

The Mayor announced that the groundbreaking for Wells Hall is next Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. He is not able to attend. Councilmembers Linda Herald and Mark Kulaas will attend.

Councilmember Mark Kulaas reminded everyone that the Elliott Avenue Walkway open house is also next Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. at Aut-to-Mocha across from the College.

7. 9. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Frank J. Kuntz, Mayo

Attest:

Fammy L. Stanger, City Clerk