



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, November 7, 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 Keith Huffaker
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
Economic Development Director Steve King
Finance Director Brad Posenjak
Public Works Director Rob Jammerman
Senior Engineer Jeremy Hoover
Community Development Director Glen DeVries
Engineering Services Manager Jacob Huylar
Senior Planner Matt Parsons

5:15 p.m. Special Meeting

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

Mayor Frank J. Kuntz called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM. Councilmember Ruth Esparza led the Pledge of Allegiance. All Councilmembers were present.

2. Consent Items:

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker 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.

- Veterans Day Proclamation read by Councilmember Keith Huffaker and presented to Veteran Doug Gardner.

5. Action Items.

- A. Wenatchee Valley Humane Society Contract

Executive Services Director Allison Williams presented the staff report. Wenatchee Valley Humane Society Executive Director Dawn Daviess was also present. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign a new three-year contract with the Wenatchee Valley Humane Society to provide Animal Control Services for the City of Wenatchee. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-40, amending Wenatchee City Code Section 5.28.30(4) related to animal control fees. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

B. 2020 Agreement for Emergency Services

Executive Services Director Allison Williams presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart for City Council to authorize the Mayor's signature on the 2020 Agreement for Emergency Services between the City of Wenatchee and Chelan County Department of Emergency Management. Councilmember Keith Huffaker seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

C. 2020 AC Water Main Replacement – Project No. 1918

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with RH2 Engineering, Inc. for design services for the 2020 AC Water Main Replacement - Project No. 1918, and further authorize the Mayor to sign a contract on behalf of the City. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

D. Methow Street Improvements - Project No. 1916

Authorization to negotiate design services

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

Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart for City Council to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with Perteet for design services for the Methow Street Improvements - Project No. 1916, and further authorize the Mayor to sign the contract on behalf of the City. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

E. Chelan County PUD Easement

Public Works Director Rob Jammerman presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Ruth Esparza for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the easement allowing Chelan County PUD access for installing utilities at the property located at 1203 Cashmere Street. Councilmember Keith Huffaker seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

6. Public Hearing Items.

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

F. 2020 Property Tax Levies

Finance Director Brad Posenjak presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-37, authorizing an increase in the regular property tax levy to be collected in the 2020 tax year. Councilmember Ruth Esparza seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2019-45, requesting the Chelan County Assessor to collect sufficient funds to address debt service requirements of a voter approved bond levy. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

G. Housing Code Update – Amendments to Title 10 and 11 WCC and New Residential Design Guidelines

Community Development Director Glen DeVries and Planning Manager Stephen Neuenschwander presented the staff report. Council commented and asked questions.

The Mayor asked for public comment.

Bernie Hony, 195 Sun Valley, Wenatchee, was thankful for the Planning Commission for taking input from her neighborhood on items that impact those neighborhood residents.

Tom Reilly, 1502 North Tacoma, Wenatchee, was thankful for the work of the Planning Commission and the important component of moving the city forward.

Diana Fine, 1416 North Tacoma Avenue, thanked all who were involved to see the changes made.

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to adopt the revisions to the Wenatchee City Code and Residential Design Guidelines as represented in Ordinance No. 2019-35 adopting amendments to Title 10, Ordinance No. 2019-36 adopting amendments to Title 11, and Resolution No. 2019-43 adopting the Residential Design Guidelines including the revisions presented by staff to sections C.1.1 and C.3. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

7. Informational Presentation.

H. 2020 Budget Review. Finance Director Brad Posenjak provided a brief overview of the 2020 budget.

8. Reports.

a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:

- (1) He and staff met with local WSDOT representatives regarding the INFRA grant.
- (2) He has been working with a local organization about a low barrier shelter.
- (3) Blue Zones meetings have taken place.
- (4) He attended a meeting with the YMCA about the PUD's Fifth Street property.
- (5) He met with Commissioner Bob Bugert today.
- (6) Election Day is Tuesday.
- (7) There might be a need for a meeting on December 12.
- (8) December 30 is the date for the swearing-in ceremony.
- (9) The employee breakfast is scheduled for next Wednesday, November 13.
- (10) A meeting with the legislators is scheduled for November 14 at 2:30 p.m.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

- (1) Councilmember Keith Huffaker said the solid waste facility ribbon cutting is scheduled for December 5 at 3:00 PM.
- (2) Councilmember Mark Kulaas thanked staff for the Elliott Avenue open house.

9. Announcements.

10. **Adjournment.** With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk