



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, November 14, 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 (via phone)
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 Tim McCord
Public Works Director Rob Jammerman
Economic Development Director Steve King
Police Chief Steve Crown
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson
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 Jim Bailey led the Pledge of Allegiance. All Councilmembers were present with Councilmember Ruth Esparza participating via phone.

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.

Doreen Smith, 1121 Monroe Street, Wenatchee, WA 98801, spoke on the issue of homelessness and asked what the city is doing to help with the issue.

4. Presentations.

- City of Wenatchee Service Award Recognition – Human Resources Director acknowledged the following employees who reached milestones in their years of service to the City: Tammy Patterson - 35 years; Stacey Mead - 25 years; Gary Geiger - 20 years;

and Charlotte Mitchell – 5 years. Present to receive their awards were Gary Geiger and Charlotte Mitchell.

- Volunteer Appreciation Presentation – The Mayor presented Bridgett Barker with a certificate of appreciation for her service and assistance to Wenatchee Parks & Recreation.
- Small Business Saturday Proclamation read by Councilmember Jim Bailey.

5. Action Items.

A. Emergency Exemptions for Housing for Indigent Persons

Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-43, allowing emergency exemptions for housing for indigent persons; providing for severability; and fixing a time when the same shall become effective. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

B. Code Enforcement Board Appointments

Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2019-44, reappointing members to the Wenatchee Code Enforcement Board for two (2) year terms (Emilka Furmanczyk, Don Files, Adriana Farnsworth). Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

C. Strategic Communications Plan and Policy

Executive Services Director Allison Williams presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2019-48, adopting a City of Wenatchee Strategic Communications Plan and Policy. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

D. Extension of Franchise with Cascade Natural Gas

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

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2019-49, granting an extension of the term of the franchise agreement with Cascade Natural Gas to December 31, 2020. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

E. Legislative Agenda

Executive Services Director Allison Williams presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2019-51, endorsing the legislative priorities adopted by the Association of Washington Cities and identifying the City of Wenatchee legislative priorities. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

F. 2019 Budget Amendment

Finance Director Brad Posenjak presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart for City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-38, amending the 2019 Budget as adopted by Ordinance No. 2018-41, as amended by Ordinance No. 2019-27, revoking recalling or decreasing all or a portion of total appropriations provided for, entering findings that this Ordinance is in the best interest of the City, and approved by a majority plus one of the entire City Council. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

G. Temporary Lending of Cash

Finance Director Brad Posenjak presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2019-46, approving the temporary lending of cash from the General Fund to other funds, including but not limited to, the CDBG Entitlement Fund and the Police Station GO Bond Fund, as needed, in 2020. Councilmember Mike Poirier seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

6. Public Hearing Items.

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

H. Development Agreement for Triad, Beaconsfield, and Clennon

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

Attorney Pete Fraley spoke on behalf of his clients and provided the context for why they are seeking the development agreement.

Council asked additional questions.

Motion by Councilmember Lyle Markhart for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2019-47, approving a Development Agreement between the City of Wenatchee, Triad Maple, LLC, Beaconsfield Associates, Beaconsfield Associates II, LLP, and Barton Clennon and

Sheila Clennon. Councilmember Mark Kulaas seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-2; Huffaker and Esparza nay).

I. Chelan-Douglas Homeless Housing Strategic Plan 2019-2024

Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented the staff report.

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

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2019-50, adopting the Chelan-Douglas Homeless Housing Plan 2019-2024. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

J. City of Wenatchee CDBG Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Housing & Community Planner Brooklyn Holton presented the staff report.

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

Conduct a public hearing; no City Council action is requested.

K. Assessment of Impact Fees

Consultant Kendra Breiland with Fehr & Peers provided a presentation to the Council, together with Public Works Director Rob Jammerman. The presentation provided an overview of the analysis done to determine a maximum defensible impact fee. Council asked questions.

The Mayor asked for public comment.

Hank Lewis, 711 Briarwood Drive, East Wenatchee, WA, spoke on behalf of Deanne Schnibbe and of concerns with how the document reads.

Bart Clennon, spoke in favor of what has been done, but said the fees could potentially take away the profit from a project.

With no further comment the Mayor turned the public hearing back to the City Council for action.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-41, relating to Chapter 15.02 general provisions governing the assessment of impact fees of the Wenatchee City Code. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

L. 2020 Final Budget Hearing

Finance Director Brad Posenjak 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 Ordinance No. 2019-39, adopting the Final Budget for the City of Wenatchee, Washington, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020. Councilmember Lyle Markhart seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).


7. Reports.

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:
 - 1. He attended a meeting today with the legislators.
 - 2. He signed the Boundary Line Adjustment for the Anderson property next to Public Works, which was authorized in the purchase and sale agreement.
 - 3. He attended the Wenatchee Valley Transportation Council meeting this week.
 - 4. The employee breakfast was held on Wednesday.
 - 5. He attended a meeting with the Department of Ecology.
 - 6. There will be a work session meeting next week.
 - 7. There will be a meeting on December 12.

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


8. Announcements. None.

9. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk