



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers

301 Yakima Street, 2nd Floor

Wenatchee, WA 98801

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Frank Kuntz, Councilmember Position 1 Jose Cuevas, Councilmember Position 2 Jim Bailey, Councilmember Position 3 Ruth Esparza (via phone), Councilmember Position 4 Travis Hornby, Councilmember Position 5 Mark Kulaas, Councilmember At-Large "B" Keith Huffaker

Staff Present: Executive Services Director Laura Merrill, Assistant City Attorney Danielle Marchant; City Clerk Tammy Stanger; IS Support Jessi Saucedo; Public Information Officer Anna Alvarez; Development Project Manager Matt Shales; Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson; Police Chief Steve Crown; Community Development Director Glen DeVries; Public Works Operations Manager Aaron Kelly; Facilities Manager Elisa Webb; Economic Development Director Steve King; Public Works Director Rob Jammerman; Finance Director Brad Posenjak

4:45 p.m. Executive Session. The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. for the purpose of meeting in executive session.

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas to convene in executive session for a time period not to exceed 30 minutes, with legal counsel present, to discuss matters of potential litigation to which the city is likely to become a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the city. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the matter. Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Ruth Esparza joined the executive session via phone. Councilmember Linda Herald was absent. Council adjourned from executive session at 5:06 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 Mark Kulaas led the Pledge of Allegiance. The excused absence of Councilmember Linda Herald was noted for the record. Councilmember Ruth Esparza participated via phone conference.

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 (6-0).

3. Citizen Requests/Comments.

Alma Chacon, on behalf of CAFÉ, and Laura Rivera, on behalf of El Valle En Acción-Comunidades Adaptadas al Fuego, invited the Mayor and Council to their culminating event scheduled for Saturday, February 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Pybus Public Market Event Center.

4. Presentations.

- 2020 National Dahlia Show Proclamation read by Councilmember Travis Hornby and presented by the Mayor to Linda Holmes-Cook and other Northwest Dahlia Association members present.
- Heart Month Proclamation read by Councilmember Mark Kulaas.

5. Action Items.

A. Property Surplus – Former WSDOT

Development Project Manager Matt Shales presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2020-04, declaring certain real property surplus to the needs of the City of Wenatchee. Councilmember Keith Huffaker seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

B. RCO Grant Applications

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2020-02, authorizing staff to prepare and submit Washington Recreation and Conservation Fund Board WWRP Local Parks and YAF grant applications. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

C. Amendment No. 11 to Service Agreement between the City of Wenatchee and Chelan County PUD

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

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment to Service Agreement 10-182 with the Chelan County Public Utility District for agreed upon police services. Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

D. Planning Commission Member Appointment – Lael Isola

Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2020-05, appointing a voting representative to the Wenatchee Planning Commission to fill a term ending December 31, 2023 (Lael Isola). Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

E. Authorization to Sign GSA Lease Amendment

Public Works Operations Manager Aaron Kelly and Facilities Manager Elisa Webb presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign Lease Amendment No. 1 with GSA for 129 South Chelan Avenue, and further authorize the Mayor to sign Lease Amendment No. 2 regarding the issuance of the Notice to Proceed, in substantially the form presented and authorize the Mayor to negotiate final terms. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

F. Confluence Parkway Chelan PUD Coordination Memorandum of Understanding

Economic Development Director Steve King presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the Chelan County PUD and the City of Wenatchee for the purposes of NEPA compliance for Confluence Parkway. Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

6. Public Hearing Items.

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

G. Housing Code Update Scrivener's Error Correction

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

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 2020-07, correcting the scrivener's errors to Titles 10 and 11. Councilmember Keith Huffaker seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

H. Revision to the Hours of Operation for Marijuana-Related Businesses

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

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

Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 2020-10, amending Wenatchee City Code (WCC) Section 5.12.120 relating to hours of operation of retail marijuana-related businesses. Councilmember Mark Kulaas seconded the motion. Motion carried (4-2; Huffaker, Cuevas nay).

7. Reports.

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:
- o He has traveled to Olympia three times this past month and has testified on the Housing Bill that our legislators are working hard on.
 - o He and Executive Services Director Laura Merrill attended their regular meeting with the Chelan County Commissioners last Tuesday.
 - o He and staff met with some folks near Bridge Street to see how the property could potentially be used.
 - o Met with Chief Crown to go over Civil Service Commission applications.
 - o He attended the Apple Blossom pageant last Saturday.
 - o He met with high school students this past week at the office.
 - o He attended the Transportation Council meeting today.
 - o With Councilmember Jim Bailey being out for the next two Public Works/Economic Development Committee meeting, he asked if there were any Councilmembers who would be available to attending in his place. Councilmember Keith Huffaker will attend next week's meeting.
- b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees.

Councilmember Travis Hornby reported that he attended the First Street Bike Lane public meeting this week where staff received concerns from businesses. Staff will be working on some adjustments and he would like to be involved in that process. Staff will bring it back to the PW/ED meeting within 30 days to reevaluate.

Councilmember Mark Kulaas also attended the First Street Bike Lane public meeting where parking concerns were brought up. The Mayor plans to address those concerns. A possibility is to have a program with a dedicated employee to carry out enforcement.

Councilmember Keith Huffaker stated he would like to see the "customer first" parking program pursued. He also provided an update on the Moderate Waste Facility and stated that it has been slow going, but it may only be because it is the winter season.

8. Announcements. None.

9. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk