



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, June 25, 2020

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers

301 Yakima Street, 2nd Floor

Wenatchee, WA 98801

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Frank J. 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 "A" Linda Herald, Councilmember At-Large "B" Keith Huffaker

Staff Present: Executive Services Director Laura Merrill, City Attorney Steve Smith (via phone), City Clerk Tammy Stanger (remote), IS Support Tim McCord, Finance Director Brad Posenjak, Police Chief Steve Crown, Public Works Director Rob Jammerman, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson, Housing Programs Coordinator Oliver Crain

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 PM. Councilmember Mark Kulaas led the Pledge of Allegiance. All Councilmembers were present with Councilmember Ruth Esparza participating via phone conference.

2. Consent Items:

Motion by Councilmember for City Council to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings, and to approve Resolution No. 2020-21, revising the regular meeting schedule for November and December 2020. Councilmember Mark Kulaas seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

3. Presentations.

- "Scout Me in Day" Proclamation read by Mayor Frank Kuntz.

4. Action Items.

- A. Consider Acceptance of an Art on the Avenues Donation

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

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to approve the acceptance of the donation of sculptures from Art on the Avenues. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- B. Resolution No. 2020-22 establishing a date and time for a Public Hearing regarding the vacation of a portion of the city right-of-way commonly known as Horan Road

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

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2020-22 setting a hearing date and time to consider the request for vacation of a portion of the Horan Road right-of-way. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- C. An amendment of the City budget to address two funding changes in the Chelan-Douglas Homeless Program funding sources and allocations:

- An additional award of \$108,256 for the Housing and Essential Needs (HEN) Grant contract between the City of Wenatchee and the Washington State Dept. of Commerce to serve HEN-eligible households.
- A new award of \$263,901 through the CARES Act Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) from the Dept. of Commerce to the City of Wenatchee to assist households experiencing homelessness.

Housing Programs Coordinator Oliver Crain and Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented the staff report and provided a power point presentation.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker City Council accept the Homeless Task Force's recommendations and authorize the Mayor to:

- Enter into an amended grant agreement between the Department of Commerce and the City of Wenatchee for the Consolidated Homeless/Housing & Essential Needs Grant (CHG/HEN).
- Enter into an amended one-year grant agreement with the Chelan-Douglas Community Action Council as recommended by the Chelan-Douglas Homeless Housing Task Force.
- Enter into a new grant agreement between the Department of Commerce and the City of Wenatchee for the CARES Act Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV).
- Enter into two ESG-CV subgrantee agreements with the Chelan-Douglas Community Action Council, and Chelan Valley Hope as recommended by the Chelan-Douglas Homeless Housing Task Force.

Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

5. Reports.

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

1. City employees returned back to the office this week. It is anticipated city offices will reopen to the public in Phase 3.

2. He and staff toured by fire station with several interested parties.
3. He attended a meeting with Dimitri Mandelis of LocalTel regarding the new power for the building.
4. He asked for council to think about continuing the NEPA process for Confluence Parkway considering that there will be an additional \$700,000 needed to do FERC now that the city did not receive INFRA.
5. He attended a PFD board meeting today. There may not be a hockey season this year.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

Councilmember Keith Huffaker reported that the Chamber has started to reopen and he attended a Zoom meeting this week. Businesses are struggling.

Councilmember Linda Herald reported that she attended a subcommittee meeting with the Homeless Task Force.

Councilmember Ruth Esparza said the Chelan-Douglas Health District Board will meet tomorrow to discuss Barry Kling's retirement and work on the Phase 2 application.

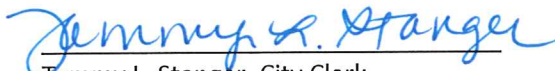
The Mayor added that there will be no meeting next week. Fourth of July is next weekend and fireworks are scheduled to go on, although there will not be events at the park. Executive Services Director Laura Merrill announced that today Pinnacles Prep was awarded its charter school designation.

6. Adjournment. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk