



## WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, July 9, 2020

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers

301 Yakima Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Wenatchee, WA 98801

### MINUTES

**Present:** Mayor Frank Kuntz, Councilmember Position 1 José Cuevas, Councilmember Position 2 Jim Bailey, 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; Deputy City Clerk Annagrisel Alvarez; IS Support Jessi Saucedo, Community Development Director Glen DeVries, Finance Director Brad Posenjak, Public Works Director Rob Jammerman, Police Chief Steve Crown, City, Planning Manager Stephen Neuenschwander, Deputy Public Works Director-Utilities Jessica Shaw, Capital Projects Manager Charlotte Mitchell

**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. Councilmember Ruth Esparza was absent.

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to convene in executive session to discuss with legal counsel matters related to potential litigation to which the city may become a party when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), for a time period not to exceed 20 minutes. Motion seconded the Councilmember Jim Bailey. Motion carried (6-0).

Council adjourned from executive session at 5:12 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 Linda Herald led the Pledge of Allegiance. The excused absence of Councilmember Ruth Esparza was noted for the record.

#### 2. Consent Items:

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings. Councilmember Mark Kulaas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker to accept the work performed by the contractor, Rodarte Construction on the Olds Station Sanitary Sewer Expansion Project Phase 1 Gravity Sewer, Project #1718 and further authorize the Mayor to sign the Final Contract Voucher Certification on behalf of the City of Wenatchee. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

### 3. Public Hearing Items.

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

- A. Proposed amendments to Title 10 Zoning of the Wenatchee City Code relating to public assembly land uses  
Community Development Staff presented the staff report. Council, Glen DeVries and Stephen Neuenschwander commented.

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. 2020-11, amending Title 10 Zoning of the WCC, relating to public assembly land uses. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

- B. Public Disturbance Noises  
City Attorney Steve Smith presented the staff report.

The Mayor asked for public comment.

The following citizens wished to express their comment regarding this public hearing and stated their name and address for the record. The public comments were received via phone call.

Ashley Davis, 313 Peters, spoke against the proposed ordinance.

James Ethier, 311 Hilltop Place, spoke against the proposed ordinance.

Tamra Hively, 2930 Alvista Place, spoke against the proposed ordinance.

Kirk Hudson, 1438 Somerset Drive, spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance.

City attorney commented and City Council members asked questions. This item failed due to a lack of motion.

### 4. Action Items.

- C. Professional Services Agreement for Automated Traffic Safety Cameras

Police Chief Steve Crown presented the staff report. Council commented.

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to approve the agreement signature on contract with Verra Mobility by the Mayor. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

- D. City Code Updates

Finance Director Brad Posenjak presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to adopt Ordinance #2020-15 amending and restating section 1.20.010 WCC "Funds Defined - Purposes". Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

E. Existing Purchasing Policies Update

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

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to authorize the Mayor to approve Resolution 2020-23 adopting an Amended and Restated Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

F. Regional Water Contract Amendment for the East Wenatchee Water District/Regional Water System Boundary Expansion

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

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to approve the 2nd Amendment to the Regional Water Contract and authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment in substantially similar form as the attached amendment. Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

G. Interlocal Agreement for the Operation and Maintenance of the Wenatchee Valley Regional Decant Facility – Chelan County

Deputy Public Works Director-Utilities Jessica Shaw presented the staff report. Questions from City Council.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to approve the Interlocal Agreement for the Wenatchee Valley Regional Decant Facility with Chelan County and authorize the Mayor's signature. Councilmember Mark Kulaas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

H. Memorandum of Agreement for Funding of the North Wenatchee Stormwater Facility Water Quality Improvements - \$43,016.82

Deputy Public Works Director-Utilities Jessica Shaw presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Chelan County Public Utility District, City of Wenatchee, and Washington State Department of Ecology and authorize the Mayor's signature. Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

I. Professional Services Agreement with GeoEngineers, Inc. for Saddle Rock Phase 2 Design

Capital Projects Manager Charlotte Mitchell presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign a professional services agreement for Saddle Rock Phase 2 Interim Action between the City of

Wenatchee and GeoEngineers, Inc. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

**5. Reports.**

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:
1. He reported that everything went well with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks, that there were no complaints and the event went smoothly.
  2. He reported that he and staff are still trying to figure out the future steps for the NEPA process.
  3. He talked about LRF funds to spend between the railroad tracks, waterfront to Town Toyota Center, TBD.
  4. He reported that we are still on Phase 1.9 and provided a summary of the COVID situation in the City. Cases at the hospital increasing. He also commended that citizens have been wearing masks in the city and he thinks people are doing a good job.
  5. He reported some changes to come to the 2021 budget cycle, more to come on next week's work session.
  6. He reported that this week the bid for bike project took place in the Council Chambers.
  7. He announced the Work Session next week at the end of the meeting.
- b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees.
- Councilmember Mark Kulass reported that he participated in the Associations' of Washington Cities Second Legislative Priority meeting, regarding budget and finance in Cities specifically LRF funds.
  - Councilmember Linda Herald asked to Council members if they had any ideas on education committee from AWC. She also let the Council know that there hasn't been meetings of the Misawa Sister City Association due to COVID and that for the same reason there will be no traveling to and from Misawa this year. She is hopeful that next year travels and yearly activities can resume successfully.
  - Councilmember Keith Huffaker reported that since Councilmember Ruth Esparza was absent he had to report on behalf of her about the Health District. The Health District is very busy with Barry Kling's retirement and appointment of Interim Director Bruce Buckle. Update from solid waste the water waste facility still open and doing well.

**6. Announcements.** No announcements.

**7. Adjournment.** With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Attest:



Annagrisel Alvarez, Deputy City Clerk

  
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Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor