



**WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION**

**Thursday, April 15, 2021**

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers  
301 Yakima Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Mayor Pro Tem Mark Kulaas, Councilmember Position 1 Jose Cuevas, Councilmember Position 2 Jim Bailey, Councilmember Position 3 Ruth Esparza, Councilmember At-Large “A” Linda Herald

**Staff Present:** Executive Services Director Laura Merrill, City Clerk Tammy Stanger, IS Support Jessi Saucedo, Community Development Director Glen DeVries, Finance Director Brad Posenjak

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce

Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Shiloh Burgess and Destination Marketing Operations Director Jerri Barkley provided an overview of the draft of the 2020 Destination Marketing Annual Report, sports tourism assessment, information about the Washington Tourism Alliance, and the strategic planning process happening in June. The future of tourism may look different than what it has looked in the past, and the Chamber continues doing great work focusing on the attractions in our region that make people want to visit Wenatchee.

B. 5:40 PM – 6:05 PM GWATA | North Central Washington Technology Alliance

GWATA Executive Director Jenny Rojanasthien thanked the Council for their membership and provided an update which included information on “Upskill,” the upcoming Flywheel Investment Conference, technology events that anyone in the public can participate in, Tech Hub, and she announced their new initiative “ilumina” which is made possible from a Microsoft grant of \$1.2 million. GWATA will be changing its name to North Central Washington Technology Alliance to better reflect the region it represents.

C. 6:05 PM – 6:30 PM Interlocal Agreement Discussion Re: Low Barrier Shelter

Community Development Director Glen DeVries provided a brief update on how staff is moving forward with the adoption of the 1590 ordinance. It is staff's goal to have a draft of the Interlocal Agreement to the City Council on May 27. The intent of the Interlocal Agreement is to have a mechanism in place for how the funds will be governed and administered. It was the suggestion of the Council that Councilmember Linda Herald be the liaison for staff contact as they work through the process. Staff will come to the Council with metrics for Council input before the actual program is launched.

- D. Other: Councilmember Linda Herald announced that the Wenatchee Police Department will be provided a Patrol Techniques Training and Council is invited to participate. Staff will forward the information to the Council on that training. Also, National Night Out is on August 3, and this year they will be holding it at three different locations by Council districts: Lincoln Park (District 1-2), Washington Park (District 4-5), and Rotary Park (District 3).

With nothing further to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.



Mark Kulaas, Mayor Pro Tem

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk