



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, May 27, 2021

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, 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, City Clerk Tammy Stanger, IS Support Jessi Saucedo, Public Works Director Rob Jammerman, Facilities Manager Elisa Schafer, Operations Manager Aaron Kelly, Utilities Planner Darci Mattioda, Deputy Public Works Director Jessica Shaw, Neighborhood & Community Services Coordinator Brooklyn Holton, Engineering Services Manager Jacob Huylar, Community Development Director Glen DeVries

4:45 p.m. Executive Session. Mayor Frank J. Kuntz called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m. for the purpose of meeting in executive session. All Councilmembers were present.

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to convene in executive session, with legal counsel present, for a time period not to exceed 25 minutes to discuss with legal counsel representing the city matters relating to 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. RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

Council adjourned from executive session at 5:02 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 Jim Bailey led the Pledge of Allegiance. All Councilmembers were present.

2. Consent Items

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to revise the agenda to move agenda Item B to Agenda Item E, to approve the vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings and to approve Resolution No. 2021-25, appointing three (3) City Council

members as voting representatives on behalf of the City of Wenatchee at the Association of Washington Cities annual conference business meeting. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

3. Presentations

- Memorial Day Proclamation read by Councilmember Mark Kulaas and presented to Dick Winn who invited everyone to participate in the Memorial Day ceremonies on Monday, May 31 at the Wenatchee Cemetery and the Pedestrian Bridge.
- Pride Month Proclamation read by Councilmember Ruth Esparza.

4. Citizen Requests/Comments

1. Therese Howard, 2000 Squilchuck Road, addressed the Council with her concerns about the homeless parking in her neighborhood and the 24-hour parking law. Staff will follow up with the Police Department about her concerns.
2. Cassandra Sleimer, Chapter Lead for Fair Vote WA, and Wenatchee resident, provided information to the City Council about ranked choice voting and handouts. Councilmember Kulaas recommended that she contact Our Valley Our Future to assist for a regional dialogue with the other jurisdictions.

5. Action Items

- A. Contract Amendment No. 5 to the Professional Service Agreement with ARC Architects for the Wenatchee City Hall Redevelopment – Project No. 1716

Facilities Manager Elisa Schafer and Operations Manager Aaron Kelly presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign Contract Amendment No. 5 to the Professional Services Agreement on behalf of the City with ARC Architects for Construction Administration and Post Construction Services for the Wenatchee City Hall Redevelopment – Project No. 1716. Councilmember Keith Huffaker seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- B. Ninth Street Basin Water Quality Retrofit Planning and Design Consultant Agreement

Utility Planner Darci Mattioda and Deputy Public Works Director Jessica Shaw presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to approve the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Osborn Consulting Incorporated for the Ninth Street Basin Water Quality Retrofit Planning and Design Project No. 2101, and authorize the Mayor's signature. Councilmember Ruth Esparza seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

C. City Project 1912 – S. Miller Street/Montana Street Pedestrian Crossing
Authorization to Award Contract

Engineering Services Manager Jacob Huylar presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to award the construction contract for the S. Miller Street/Montana Street Pedestrian Crossing, Project No. 1912, to JM Pacific Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$143,651.00, and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract documents. Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

D. Local Housing Program

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

Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2021-24, electing to operate its own local housing program. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

E. Historic Preservation Board Member Appointments – Holly Lin and Heather Ostenson

Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented the staff report.

Motion by Ruth Esparza for City Council to approve Resolution Nos. 2021-26 and 2021-27 respectively, designating two voting representatives: Holly Lin for a term ending December 31, 2024, and Heather Ostenson for a term ending December 31, 2021. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

6. Public Hearing Items

The Mayor explained the public hearing process.

F. Rhinehart Annexation Public Hearing and Ordinance 2021-17

Neighborhood and Community Services Coordinator Brooklyn Holton presented the staff report. Council commented.

The Mayor asked for public comment. There was no one who wished to speak. He asked Council for additional comments and action.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to adopt Ordinance 2021-17, providing for the annexation of unincorporated lands located on the south and east side of Skyline Drive, bordered to the north and east by parcels in the City and to the south and

west by the urban growth area boundary, known as Skyline Drive, subject to the provisions of Ordinance No. 2007-34, and all subsequent amendments thereto. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

G. Martinez Annexation Public Hearing and Ordinance 2021-18

Neighborhood and Community Services Coordinator Brooklyn Holton presented the staff report. There were no questions or comments.

The Mayor asked for public comment. There was no one who wished to speak. He asked Council for additional comments and action.

Motion by Councilmember Jim Bailey for City Council to adopt Ordinance 2021-18, providing for the annexation of unincorporated lands located along the west side of South Mission Street bordering City parcels to the north and unincorporated parcels to the west, south and east, known as the Martinez Annexation, subject to the provisions of Ordinance No. 2007-34 and all subsequent amendments thereto. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

H. Resolution 2021-28 approving a Development Agreement between the City of Wenatchee and James M. VanAssche and Joy R. VanAssche (VanAssche's)

Public Works Director Rob Jammerman presented the staff report and a Power Point presentation. James and Joy Van Assche were present.

Council asked questions.

The Mayor asked for public comment. There was no one who wished to speak. He asked Council for additional comments and action.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to approve Resolution 2021-28, approving a development agreement between the City of Wenatchee and James VanAssche and Joy VanAssche. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

7. Reports

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

- (1) The Mayor will participate in the Memorial Day ceremonies on Monday at the cemetery and pedestrian bridge;
- (2) He appreciates the collective 21 years of experience between Councilmembers Bailey and Esparza (they did not file with the elections office to run for another term).
- (3) Things are starting to feel back to normal.

- (4) He and staff met with the new Humane Society director this week, and they have two new veterinarians on staff.
- (5) The Mayor toured the Lineage properties this week;
- (6) He traveled to Kirkland last week and met with Mr. Weidner about several items;
- (7) He attended a kid's event at a church last night;
- (8) A lot of feedback has been received concerning the carnival at Lincoln Park;
- (9) Apple Blossom starts next Thursday – Councilmember Herald added that the beer garden will be larger than in the past for social distancing, and there will be designated entrances and exits to the park;
- (10) The Mayor announced that starting next Tuesday, fully vaccinated employees will no longer need to wear a mask; and
- (11) He reminded everyone that the Confluence Parkway public meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Members

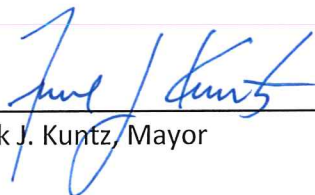
Councilmember Linda Herald reported that the Homeless Task Force had the RFP presentations last week, and that went very well. They will meet again on June 2 to go over the presentations and make recommendations. The Mayor added that Community Development Director Glen DeVries is working with a property owner near the Salvation Army for a possible site for the low barrier sleep center.

Councilmember Keith Huffaker reported that he attended the Chamber meeting last week and there are some parking issues they would like to discuss. He also indicated there is some heavy interest by the Port in the Malaga area for businesses looking to come in.

8. Announcements

Councilmember Mark Kulaas reminded the Council to be sure to respond to Melonye for KOHO interview dates.

9. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk