



**WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION**

**Thursday, August 19, 2021**

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers  
301 Yakima Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Clerk Tammy Stanger, IS Support Tim McCord, Finance Director Brad Posenjak, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson, Community Development Director Glen DeVries, Housing Program Coordinator Oliver Crain

**5:15 p.m. Work Session.**

**A. Arts Fund, Budgeted Projects, Overview**

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson provided a spreadsheet showing the public art fund overview of the projected projects programmed out through the next six years. There were questions about upcoming capital projects that would contribute 1% towards the art fund. The specific projects, budget and years are subject to change and approvals.

**B. Riverfront Master Plan Update**

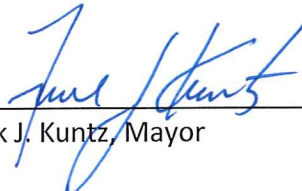
Executive Services Director Laura Merrill and Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson presented information and a power point presentation on the Wenatchee Riverfront Park Master Plan and an overview of the great work so far with public open houses, information gathering, an opportunities analysis, and upcoming meetings. The plan will come back before the City Council and the PUD Commission in November to finalize the document, with early implementation of projects in 2022-2023.

C. Interlocal Agreement for Affordable Housing and Housing Related Services

Community Development Director Glen DeVries and Housing Programs Coordinator Oliver Crain provided handouts (Summer 2021 Point in Time Count and draft Interlocal Agreement) and a power point presentation with an overview of the recent visits to Everett and Burlington to meet with staff and view their current shelter set up, and reviewed the draft Interlocal Agreement between the City of Wenatchee and the City of East Wenatchee for Affordable Housing and Other Related Services. The feedback and direction given from the Mayors and Councils of both cities were used to prepare the interlocal agreement. The Mayor had some suggested minor changes regarding appointment of members to the Task Force. It is hoped that an integrated law enforcement outreach program will be developed with a police officer and social worker (working for the police department).

The Salvation Army has sent a letter stating their interest to providing services and locating the sleep center shelter near their facility. An agreement is still needed. A rendering of the site was presented. The timeline is a bit challenging for the site to open before this winter. However, in the meantime, the Wenatchee Rescue Mission has allocated 24 beds as low-barrier at their shelter which may be an interim help. It is anticipated the new sleep center shelter will be operating Spring of 2022.

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

  
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Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk