



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, August 26, 2021

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers
301 Yakima Street, 2nd Floor
Wenatchee, WA 98801

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Frank Kuntz; Councilmember Position 1 Jose Cuevas (via phone); 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, Police Chief Steve Crown, Technical Services Specialist Kevin Hanson, Engineering Services Manager Jacob Huylar

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 Travis Hornby led the Pledge of Allegiance. All Councilmembers were present, with Councilmember Jose Cuevas participating via phone.

2. Consent Items

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings. Councilmember Jim Bailey seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

3. Presentations

- Childhood Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation read by Councilmember Travis Hornby. The proclamation was emailed to Jessica Beckstrand who requested the proclamation.

4. Citizen Requests/Comments. None.

5. Action Items

- A.** Master Customer Agreement and Equipment Purchase and Software License Addendum between the City of Wenatchee and WatchGuard Video, Inc., for body-worn cameras

Police Chief Steve Crown presented the staff report and a revised handout was provided to the Council. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to approve, in substantially the same form as presented, the Master Customer Agreement and Equipment Purchase and Software License Addendum for the purchase of body-worn cameras. Councilmember Ruth Esparza seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

B. City Project 2005-P2 – Millerdale Avenue Sidewalk – Authorization to Award Construction 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 Millerdale Avenue Sidewalk, City Project No. 2005-P2, to Rudnick and Sons LLC and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract documents. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

6. Reports

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

1. He participated in the PFD bond call yesterday with Moody's.
2. He and Executive Services Director Laura Merrill met with Chamber Executive Director Shiloh Burgess to go over the proposed contract for next year.
3. He met with the Downtown Kiwanis group on Tuesday.
4. He attended the PFD board meeting today.
5. It was another good month for sales tax numbers.
6. Finance Director Brad Posenjak has begun work on the preliminary numbers for the 2022 budget.
7. Staff has continued working on INFRA; they had a phone conference with Union Gap this week about their experience with INFRA. Executive Services Director Laura Merrill has been deeply involved with NEPA for the project.
8. The Mayor spoke briefly about some complaints the Mayor's office has been receiving about parking on Emerson Street. Confluence Health's COVID testing site has seen increased traffic and requested the city's help with traffic control, which has temporarily taken away some parking on Emerson.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

Councilmember Jim Bailey spoke about the Link Transit ribbon cutting and Summit held last week, and the Rocky Reach Discovery Center ribbon cutting.

Councilmember Travis Hornby spoke about the Pinnacles Prep ribbon cutting ceremony he attended last Friday, and said it's a good addition to Wenatchee.

7. Announcements. None.

8. Adjournment. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.



Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy L. Stanger, City Clerk