



WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, June 8, 2023

Wenatchee City Hall Council Chambers

301 Yakima Street

Wenatchee, WA 98801

MINUTES

"To create community through responsive leadership and services for the citizens and visitors of the Apple Capital of the World."

Present: Mayor Frank Kuntz; Councilmember Position 1 Jose Cuevas; Councilmember Position 2 Mike Poirier; Councilmember Position 3 Top Rojanasthien; Councilmember Position 4 Travis Hornby; Councilmember Position 5 Mark Kulaas; Councilmember At-Large "B" Keith Huffaker

Staff Present: Executive Services Director Laura Gloria; City Attorney Danielle Marchant; City Clerk Tammy McCord, IS Support Zach Steele; Public Works Director Rob Jammerman; Community Development Director Glen DeVries; Operations Manager Aaron Kelly; Finance Director Brad Posenjak

4:35 p.m. Executive Session. Mayor Frank J. Kuntz called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. for the purpose of meeting in executive session.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker to convene in executive session for a time period not to exceed 5:10 p.m. with the city attorney present, to: (1) consider the acquisition of real estate by purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price (RCW 42.30.110(1)(b)); and (2) to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of decreased price (RCW 42.30.110(1)(c)). Councilmember Mike Poirier seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Council adjourned from executive session at 5:10 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 Keith Huffaker led the Pledge of Allegiance. The excused absence of Councilmember Linda Herald was noted.

2. Citizen Requests/Comments. None.

3. Consent Items:

- *Motion to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings.*
Vouchers:
Claim checks #207736 through #207825 in the amount of \$1,296,160.10 for May 25, 2023
Wires #1592 and #1593 in the amount of \$58,831.04 for May 25, 2023
Payroll distribution (retirees) in the amount of \$10,690.54 for May 31, 2023
Benefits/deductions in the amount of \$1,059,235.14 for May 31, 2023
Payroll distribution in the amount of \$631,466.20 for June 5, 2023
- *Motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-13, declaring certain property surplus to the needs of the City of Wenatchee and authorizing the Public Works Department to dispose of the personal property identified herein.*

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas to amend the agenda to add Item E regarding Interlocal Agreement between Chelan County, Douglas County, Grant County, Okanogan County, City of Wenatchee, City of East Wenatchee, and City of Moses Lake, to approve the vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings, and to approve Resolution No. 2023-13, declaring certain property surplus to the needs of the City of Wenatchee and authorizing the Public Works Department to dispose of the personal property identified herein. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

4. Action Items

A. City Project 2301 – 2024 Pavement Preservation - Authorization to Negotiate

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

Motion by Councilmember Top Rojanasthien for City Council to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with KPG Psomas, Inc. for design services for the 2024 Pavement Preservation (Project No. 2301) and further authorize the Mayor to sign a contract on behalf of the City. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

B. Columbia River Local Homeless Housing Task Force Grant Agreements

Community Development Director Glen DeVries presented the staff report and presented a spreadsheet showing sufficient capacity with the proposal.

Motion by Councilmember Mark Kulaas for City Council to authorize the Mayor to enter into the grant agreements recommended by the Columbia River Local Homeless Housing Task Force as outlined in the agenda report. Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

C. City Project 2206 – Parkside Renovation Project, Change Order No. 1

Operations Manager Aaron Kelly presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to approve the contract Change Order No. 1 with Rudnick and Sons, LLC, in the amount of \$340,309 and authorize the Mayor's signature. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

D. Contract Amendment No. 4 to the Professional Service Agreement with DOH Associates, Inc. for Architectural & Engineering Services for Tenant Improvement Developments

Operations Manager Aaron Kelly presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign Contract Amendment No. 4 to the Professional Services Agreement on behalf of the City with DOH Associates, Inc. for Architectural & Engineering Services for Tenant Improvement Developments. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

E. Interlocal Agreement between Chelan County, Douglas County, Grant County, Okanogan County, City of Wenatchee, City of East Wenatchee, and City of Moses Lake

Executive Services Director Laura Gloria presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement in substantially similar form between Chelan County, Douglas County, Grant County, Okanogan County, City of Wenatchee, City of East Wenatchee, and City of Moses Lake for the purpose of establishing the Opioid Abatement Council for the North Central Region. Councilmember Top Rojanasthien seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).

5. Reports

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:
 1. He attended the Memorial Day ceremonies at both cemeteries and the bridge and they were nice.
 2. He spent time interviewing with students who were working on their end of year school projects.

3. He participated in ongoing discussions regarding the multi-family tax exemption with a local developer who is asking for the 12-year agreement they entered into to change to an 8-year agreement.
4. He met with the new Chelan-Douglas Land Trust Executive Director regarding the foothills that are being well used and are falling behind on maintenance. The CDLT may need some financial assistance to help maintain, and could possibly request LTAC funding.
5. He attended a meeting regarding the parking enforcement position. The position is out for advertisement again and a change was made with a lighter view with more focus on customer service.
6. The Mayor would like to have the local Bird Scooters reps come and provide an update with the Council.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

Councilmember Keith Huffaker spoke about the discussion at the Public Services Committee meeting for a Customer Resource Officer. Chief Crown will bring forward a proposal as to what that would look like.

Councilmember Mark Kulaas attended the Museum Board retreat which focused on the capital campaign for renovations. There may be some additional asks to the city.

Councilmember Mike Poirier attended the Chelan-Douglas Transportation Council meeting recently where they went over the 2050 Transportation Plan and a recent survey showed that many people may be interested in a tax for roads. He will forward the survey to the Council.

Councilmember Jose Cuevas mentioned that the mosquitos are out again and the PUD needs to spray. Staff will reach out to see if there's a plan for spraying mosquitos again this year.

6. Announcements. Councilmembers Kulaas and Herald will be attending the AWC Annual Conference on June 22 and unsure if they can attend the next Council meeting virtually. Councilmember Keith Huffaker will be traveling and unsure if he can attend.

7. Close of Meeting. With no further business, the meeting closed at 5:50 p.m.

Frank Kuntz

Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:

Tammy L. McCord

Tammy L. McCord, City Clerk