



## WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL

**Thursday, June 22, 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 At-Large "B" Keith Huffaker (via phone)

**Staff Present:** Executive Services Director Laura Gloria; City Attorney Steve Smith; City Clerk Tammy McCord, IS Support Tim McCord; Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson; Facilities Manager Elisa Schafer, Public Works Director Rob Jammerman; Community Development Director Glen DeVries; Finance Director Brad Posenjak; Police Chief Steve Crown

#### 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. The excused absences of Councilmembers Mark Kulaas and Linda Herald were noted. Councilmember Keith Huffaker was present via teleconference.

#### 2. Citizen Requests/Comments

Eunice Youmans, Executive Director of the Chelan Douglas Land Trust, addressed the Council regarding the explosion in popularity of the foothills trails to both locals and visitors and the sustainability of the CDLT to maintain long-term. She asked the city assist in helping to identify a funding path moving forward. The Mayor replied that this topic was discussed at the Finance Committee meeting today and the city will get back to Eunice in a couple of weeks.

Jason Sundstrom, a resident of Wenatchee on Lynn Street, addressed the Council with his concerns regarding the current detour in place on Crawford Street and the speeding through his neighborhood. He requested more signage and a radar sign. Chief Crown was present and said he will get one to the neighborhood as soon as he can. Public Works Director Rob Jammerman said he will look into additional signage.

### 3. Consent Items:

- *Motion to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings.*

Vouchers:

Wires #1594 and #1595 in the amount of \$54,962.31 for May 26, 2023

Claim check #207826 in the amount of \$2,390.00 for May 30, 2023

Claim checks #207839 through #207850 in the amount of \$20,950.17 for May 31, 2023

Claim checks #207851 through #207946 in the amount of \$974,344.74 for June 1, 2023

Claim checks #207947 through #207950 in the amount of \$65,420.90 for June 1, 2023

Payroll distribution in the amount of \$18,033.31 for June 5, 2023

Claim checks #208021, #208022, #207951, #207952 in the amount of \$17,721.25 for June 8, 2023

Claim checks #207953 through #208020 in the amount of \$1,106,576.45 for June 8, 2023

Claim checks #208024 through #208027 in the amount of \$10,188.85 for June 15, 2023

Payroll distribution in the amount of \$456,425.00 for June 20, 2023

- *Motion to accept the work performed by the contractor, Hurst Construction, LLC, on the Saddle Rock Natural Area Phase 2 Interim Remedial Action Project, and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Final Contract Voucher.*
- *Motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-15, revising the regular meeting schedule for November and December 2023.*

*Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby to approve agenda, vouchers, and minutes from previous meetings; to accept the work performed by the contractor, Hurst Construction, LLC, on the Saddle Rock Natural Area Phase 2 Interim Remedial Action Project, and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Final Contract Voucher; and to approve Resolution No. 2023-15, revising the regular meeting schedule for November and December 2023. Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).*

### 4. Presentations

- Code Enforcement Recognition. Community Development Director Glen DeVries recognized the Code Enforcement Division and the Code Enforcement Board (Jim Snyder was present), the City Attorney, the Wenatchee Police Department and the Parks Maintenance Department for their work on some recent code abatement cases and thanked the Council for their support. Code Enforcement Officers Kevin Kinman and Eric Mudgett provided a Power Point Presentation highlighting some of the recent abatement cases. The Mayor and Council thanked them for their hard work and efforts.

### 5. Action Items

- A. Arts, Recreation and Parks Commission Student Member Re-Appointment (Megan Kassebaum)

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Director David Erickson presented the staff report. Megan Kassebaum was also present and said a few words. The Council thanked her for serving.

*Motion by Councilmember Mike Poirier for City Council to approve Resolution No. 2023-14 re-appointing Megan Kassebaum to the Arts, Recreation & Parks Commission. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).*

- B.** Contract Award for City Project No. SW23-08 – Public Works Shop Building No. 4 – Partial 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Addition

Facilities Manager Elisa Schafer presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Top Rojanasthien for City Council to authorize the Mayor to award Project No. SW23-08 and authorize the Mayor to sign the construction contract with Halme Builders, Inc. for \$100,000, plus WSST. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

- C.** Ordinance No. 2023-07, amending Ordinance No. 2012-30, Section III, codified as Wenatchee City Code 6B.06.024, as it relates to parking in the downtown core area

Executive Services Director Laura Gloria presented the staff report. Council commented.

Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-07, amending Ordinance No. 2012-30, Section III, codified as Wenatchee City Code 6B.06.024, as it relates to parking in the downtown core area. Councilmember Mike Poirier seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

Chief Crown added that the recruitment for a new Parking Enforcement Officer closes tomorrow.

- D.** City Project 2201.1/2201.2 – Apple Capital Loop (Component 3 – Segment 1B and 2A, Component 4 – Segment 2C) FY2021 INFRA Program Term Sheet

Executive Services Director Laura Gloria and Public Works Director Rob Jammerman presented the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember Top Rojanasthien for City Council to authorize the Mayor to execute the Term Sheet between the City of Wenatchee and USDOT, providing for the reimbursement of costs incurred with the design and construction of Projects 2201.1 Confluence Parkway South and 2201.2 South End Ped/Bike Access Bridges. Councilmember Jose Cuevas seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-0).

The Mayor said a few words about the project and the hard work of the city team to get to this point.

## **6. Reports**

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:
1. With the approval of the Term Sheet, Confluence Parkway is now full go ahead.
  2. The Wenatchee Wild have joined the WHL which is a big thing for the Town Toyota Center and the Wild!
  3. The Fourth of July celebration is right around the corner at Walla Walla Point Park.

4. Executive Services Director Laura Gloria added that there will be a work session on August 17 for the Wenatchee Convention Center design update and next steps.
5. The next City Council meeting is July 13.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees.

Councilmember Jose Cuevas reported he will be attending the Chelan Douglas Homeless Housing Task Force meeting next week.

Councilmember Travis Hornby reported that he attended the WDA possibilities tour, there is a new wine bar opening downtown at the corner of First Street and Wenatchee Avenue, and he invited everyone to attend the Wenatchee Valley TREAD event on June 30 at Pybus Market for a luau celebration with Hellbent Brewing where a new beer for TREAD will be released.

**7. Announcements.** None.

**8. Close of Meeting.** With no further business, the meeting closed at 5:59 p.m.

*Frank Kuntz*

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Frank J. Kuntz, Mayor

Attest:

*Tammy L. McCord*

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Tammy L. McCord, City Clerk