



## WENATCHEE CITY COUNCIL

**Thursday, April 25, 2024**

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 Mike Poirier; Councilmember District 2 Chelsea Ewer; Councilmember District 3 Top Rojanasthien; Councilmember District 4 Travis Hornby; Councilmember District 5 Charlie Atkinson; Councilmember At-Large "A" Linda Herald; Councilmember At-Large "B" Keith Huffaker

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Laura Gloria; City Attorney Danielle Marchant; City Clerk Tammy McCord; IT Support Tim McCord; Deputy Public Works Director Jessica Shaw; Utility Planner Darci Ronning; WWTP Supervisor Mike Hodgson; Project Engineer Nicole Brockwell; Community Development Director Glen DeVries; Finance Director Brad Posenjak; Public Works Director Rob Jammerman

### 5:15 p.m. Regular Meeting

**1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call.** Mayor Mike Poirier called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. Councilmember Chelsea Ewer led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember Jose Cuevas was absent.

*Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby to excuse the absence of Councilmember Jose Cuevas. Councilmember Top Rojanasthien seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).*

### 2. Citizen Requests/Comments

Tim Lykken addressed the Council with concerns about how the roadway is currently marked on Orondo Street off of South Chelan to Methow Street.

Joshua James, 614 Okanogan Avenue, address his concerns regarding Planned Parenthood being located in his neighborhood.

### 3. Consent Items

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

Vouchers:

Payroll distribution in the amount of \$12,374.00 for April 5, 2024

Payroll distribution in the amount of \$452.17 for April 9, 2024

Payroll distribution in the amount of \$459,590.00 for April 19, 2024

- *Resolution 2024-12, appointing McKenna Sax as a voting member to the Code Enforcement Board.*
- *Resolution 2024-13, appointing Cynthia Volyn as a member to the Historic Preservation Board.*

*Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to approve agenda, vouchers and revised minutes from previous meetings, Resolution 2024-12, appointing McKenna Sax as a voting member to the Code Enforcement Board, and Resolution 2024-13, appointing Cynthia Volyn as a member to the Historic Preservation Board. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).*

#### **4. Presentations**

- Dahlia Proclamation read by Councilmember Travis Hornby and presented to members of the local Dahlia Association.
- Poppy Days Proclamation read by Councilmember Charlie Atkinson. Poppy Princes Reiko read a speech and the poem “In Flanders Fields” and distributed poppies to those in attendance.

#### **5. Action Items**

- A.** Wastewater Treatment Plant Digesters and Boiler Upgrades, Project No. 2305  
Authorization to Award Design Contract to Jacobs Engineering

Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor Mike Hodgson presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

*Motion by Councilmember Top Rojanasthien for City Council to award the design contract for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Digesters and Boiler Upgrades, Project No. 2305, to Jacobs Engineering in the amount of \$624,000 and authorize the City Administrator to sign the Professional Service Contract for the design on behalf of the City. Councilmember Charlie Atkinson seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).*

- B.** Sale of a Portion of Regional Property for Douglas County Transportation Project

Deputy Public Works Director Jessica Shaw presented the staff report.

*Motion by Councilmember Keith Huffaker for City Council to approve the offer from Douglas County to purchase a portion of the Regional Well No. 7 property for right-of-way and authorize the Mayor’s signature on the real estate transaction documents. Councilmember Chelsea Ewer seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).*

- C. City Project 2101 – Ninth Street Basin Water Quality Retrofit Agreements with Wenatchee Valley College for Approval

Utility Planner Darci Ronning presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

*Motion by Councilmember Top Rojanasthien for City Council to approve the Stormwater Easement, Interlocal Agreement for construction of Stormwater Retention Lower Wells Parking Lot, and the Stormwater Operations and Maintenance Agreement with the Wenatchee Valley College and authorize the Mayor to sign the easement and Stormwater Operations and Maintenance Agreement and the City Administrator to sign the interlocal agreement. Councilmember Travis Hornby seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).*

- D. City Project 2307 – Generators for Critical Water Infrastructure Resiliency Legal Contract Agreement for Hazard Mitigation Grant 5395-12-R

Utility Planner Darci Ronning presented the staff report. Council asked questions.

*Motion by Councilmember Travis Hornby for City Council to approve the Legal Contract Agreement for Hazard Mitigation Grant 5395-12-R for Generators for Critical Water Infrastructure Resiliency and authorize the City Administrator to sign the agreement. Councilmember Linda Herald seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).*

- E. City Project 0623/1615/1919 – McKittrick Street (North Wenatchee Ave to BNSF) Authorization to Approve Supplement

Project Engineer Nicole Brockwell presented the staff report.

*Motion by Councilmember Linda Herald for City Council to approve of and authorize the City Administrator to execute Supplement #3 with KPG Psomas for construction engineering services for the McKittrick Street (North Wenatchee Ave to BNSF) Project, City Project Nos. 0623, 1615, and 1919. Councilmember Chelsea Ewer seconded the motion. Motion carried (6-0).*

## 6. Reports

- a. Mayor's Report. The Mayor reported on the following:
- (1) The Mayor attended the "Chief for a Day" event today which is the kick-off to the Apple Blossom Festival.
  - (2) Earlier today he and staff toured Parkside with Commerce Director Mike Fong.
  - (3) The City's first community newsletter went out last week.
  - (4) Groundbreaking for the Wenatchee Convention Center project is scheduled for Monday, May 6 at 2:00 p.m.

b. Reports/New Business of Council Committees

Councilmember Linda Herald reported that the Misawa delegation will be arriving on Wednesday, May 1 at 3:30 p.m. She invited everyone to attend and also to attend the dinner afterwards at the Senior Center, she will be catering the event. The farewell dinner is on Sunday, May 5 at the Museum.

Councilmember Travis Hornby reported that he attended some of the Flywheel conference events and it was exciting to have this event in Wenatchee.

**7. Announcements.** None.

**8. Close of Meeting.** The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

*Mike Poirier*

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Mike Poirier, Mayor

*Tammy McCord*

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Tammy McCord, City Clerk