

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Grover called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call – Excused Absences Councilmembers present included Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Barthels, Councilmember Weiszmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Hilton, and Councilmember Taves. Staff members present included Mr. Schuller, Ms. Niemeier, Mr. Kapaun, Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Hensley, Mr. Ableman, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Marx, Ms. Cooper, Ms. Snider, Mr. Nilles, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Billigmeier, Mr. Lathrop, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Birrenkott, Mr. Hoppe, and Mr. Conley.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of September 14, 2021 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 158906 through 158988 in the amount of \$735,599.78 were approved as read.

E. Claims for Damages Mayor Grover stated that we received a claim from Frank Lynch. Councilmember Overhauser stated that the Finance Committee recommended approving an amount not including the travel. Councilmember Taves moved to pay the claim in the amount of \$87.07. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

F. Small Contracts The small contracts were previously approved.

G. Information Items None

H. Appointments None

I. Citizen Comments Mayor Grover stated that we received written comments that were shared with the Council. The following people spoke to support the Clover Court rezone: Steve Miller, Carol Miller, Nancy Street, Jerry Call, Dan Hillman. Lon Ottosen spoke in opposition to the Clover Court rezone. The following people spoke in opposition to a vaccine mandate for City employees: Representative Jenny Graham, Matt Holling, Bill Lathrop, Nicole Aguilera, Rachel Buck, Will Birrenkott, Rob Fraley, Courtney Miller, Heather Woller, Travis Billigmeier, Steve Marx, and Stacy Ashcroft. Cheryl made comments about a vaccine mandate. The following people spoke in favor of a vaccine mandate: Cindy Niemeier, Keri MacDonald, Mark Schuller.

J. Action Items

1. 21-077 – Ordinance Y-14 – Clover Court Rezone Mr. Ableman stated that this has not received any comments. Councilmember Barthels moved to reject Ordinance Y-14. Councilmember Barthels withdrew his motion. Ordinance Y-14 died for lack of a motion.

2. 21-085 – Resolution E-942 – City Employee Vaccination Mandate Councilmember Schmidt provided information on the resolution. Councilmember Taves moved for approval of Resolution E-942. Councilmember Schmidt seconded. Carried with Councilmember Weiszmann and Councilmember Hilton abstaining.

3. 21-093 – Resolution E-950 – Tantalus AMI Fixed Network Agreement Mr. Marx provided information on the network. Councilmember Schmidt moved for approval of Resolution E-950. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. 21-094 – Resolution E-951 – Interlocal Agreement Extension with City of Spokane Mr. Ableman stated that the current agreement ends in November. This is an extension for five years. Councilmember Barthels moved for approval of Resolution E-951. Councilmember Weiszmann seconded. Carried unanimously.

5. 21-095 – Resolution E-952 – BPA Power Sales Revision 4 Exhibit D Mr. Marx explained the revisions. Councilmember Taves moved for approval of Resolution E-952. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

6. 21-096 – Resolution E-953 – BPA Power Sales Revision 9 Exhibit F Mr. Marx explained the revision. Councilmember Taves moved for approval of Resolution E-953. Councilmember Gaard seconded. Carried unanimously.

7. 21-097 – Resolution E-954 – Memorandum of Understanding with Kalispel Tribe/Victim Services Program Ms. Cooper explained the agreement. Councilmember Hilton moved for approval of Resolution E-954. Councilmember Schmidt seconded. Carried unanimously.

K. Staff Reports Mr. Schuller thanked everyone for their thoughtful comments on the COVID-19 issue. He thanked department heads for their work.

L. Mayor’s Report Mayor Grover thanked Mr. Schuller for his work.

M. Council Reports Councilmember Overhauser stated that COVID shots will be available at CHS this Friday. Councilmember Gaard stated that the people that work for the city care about the city and put their heart into it. Councilmember Hilton stated that he appreciates the hard work everyone does. Councilmember Taves thanked Ms. Cooper for her work.

N. Executive Session Mayor Grover recessed the meeting at t 8:32 p.m. for executive session as per RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) to consider the price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease. He asked Mr. Schuller, Mr. Kapaun, Mr. Ableman, and Ms. Niemeier to stay. Mayor Grover reconvened the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

O. Adjournment Councilmember Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Barthels seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor