

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 9, 2021

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 Weizmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Hilton, and Councilmember Taves. Staff members present included Mr. Schuller, Ms. Niemeier, Mr. Schwartz, Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Hensley, Mr. Ableman, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Marx, Ms. Cooper, and Ms. Snider.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of January 26, 2021 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 156256 through 156265 in the amount of \$115,750.78 for 2020, 156266 through 156337 and January interdepartmental billing in the amount of \$130,312.32 for 2021, payroll warrants nos. 63597 through 63633 in the amount of \$17,947.80, direct deposits in the amount of \$413,253.96, claims warrants nos. 156225 through 156250 in the amount of \$251,868.51, and transfers to claims clearing fund for distribution of reported benefit adjustments in the amount of \$259,124.39 for a total payroll of \$942,194.66 were approved as read.

E. Claims for Damages Ms. Niemeier stated that the claim is from Fellowship Baptist Church in the amount of \$6,646.39. Councilmember Overhauser moved to pay the claim. Councilmember Schmidt seconded. Carried unanimously.

F. Small Contracts The small contracts were previously approved.

G. Information Items None

H. Appointments None

I. Citizen Comments None

J. Action Items

1. 21-018 – Resolution E-891 – City Fuel Station Upgrade Mr. Ableman stated that this expands the fuel station capacity. Councilmember Schmidt moved for approval of Resolution E-891. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

2. 21-019 – Resolution E-892 – Asplundh Line Clearance Renewal Mr. Marx stated that this is a renewal of the contract. Councilmember Taves moved for approval of Resolution E-892. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

3. 21-022 – Resolution E-983 – AFG Grant Type 5 Engine Mr. Jenkins stated that he would like to apply for a type 5 wildland engine. The 5% match required would be \$10,500. Councilmember Weizmann moved for approval of Resolution E-983. Councilmember Gaard seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. 21-026 – Resolution E-897 – Energy Services Proposal Evaluation Mr. Ableman stated that this assigns the Public Works and Utilities Committee to help review the proposals. Councilmember Schmidt moved for approval of Resolution E-897. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

5. 21-020 – Ordinance Y-1 – Building Code Amendment CMC 19.06 Mr. Ableman stated that this replaces the 2015 International Building Code with the 2018 code. He explained the changes. Councilmember Taves moved for the first reading of Ordinance Y-1 in title and summary form only and to defer it to a subsequent meeting. Councilmember Weizmann seconded. Carried unanimously.

6. 21-021 – Ordinance Y-2 – Fire Code Amendment CMC 18.06 Mr. Ableman stated that this replaces the 2015 International Fire Code with the 2018 code. Councilmember Taves moved for the first reading of

Ordinance Y-2 in title and summary form only and to defer it to a subsequent meeting. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

7. 21-024 – Ordinance X-98 – Interfund Loan Ms. Niemeier stated that this is for the fuel station upgrade. It is a \$40,000 loan from the solid waste fund. Councilmember Overhauser moved for the first reading of Ordinance X-98 in title and summary form only, that reading considered the second and third, and that it be placed before Council for final passage. Councilmember Schmidt seconded. Carried unanimously. Yes votes: Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Barthels, Councilmember Weiszmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Hilton, Councilmember Taves. Ordinance X-98 passed.

8. 21-025 – Ordinance X-99 – 2021 Budget Amendment #1 Ms. Niemeier stated that the total amendment is \$2,419,700. It is for the use of the CARES funding, Purple Pipe Project, and the fuel station upgrade. Councilmember Barthels stated that he will abstain due to his involvement in the Purple Pipe Project. Councilmember Overhauser moved for the first reading of Ordinance X-99 in title and summary form only, that reading considered the second and third, and that it be placed before Council for final passage. Councilmember Weiszmann seconded. Carried with Councilmember Barthels abstaining. Yes votes: Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Weiszmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Hilton, Councilmember Taves. Councilmember Barthels abstained. Ordinance X-99 passed.

K. Staff Reports Mr. Schuller provided a COVID-19 update.

L. Mayor's Report None

M. Council Reports Councilmember Overhauser stated that the LEOFF Board has been meeting regularly by phone or virtually. Councilmember Schmidt stated that the grant application submitted by SRTC for charging stations was ranked first in the state. Avista has agreed to pay the match. Councilmember Barthels provided a report on the Planning Commission meeting. He will be attending the Public Works Committee meeting on Thursday. Councilmember Weiszmann stated that the General Government Committee will be meeting next week. AWC City Action Days will start tomorrow. Councilmember Gaard stated that cold temperatures are coming. Councilmember Hilton will attend the Public Works Committee meeting on Thursday. Councilmember Taves will attend the Public Safety Committee meeting next Wednesday.


N. Executive Session Mayor Grover recessed the meeting at 6:43 p.m. for executive session as per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase. He stated that it would last 40 minutes with possible action to follow. Mayor Grover reconvened the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

21-023 – Consideration of Vacant Land Purchase Councilmember Schmidt moved to accept the purchase and sale agreement for the purchase of vacant real property and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Robin Dare and Karen Smith for \$550,000 with closing to occur as set forth in the purchase and sale agreement. Councilmember Taves seconded. Carried unanimously.

Mr. Schuller stated that he had a conversation with Debora Munguia today and she provided an update on legislation.

O. Adjournment Councilmember Taves moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Weiszmann seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.


City Clerk


Mayor