

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING****March 24, 2020**

**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 (via Zoom). Staff members present included Mr. Schuller, Ms. Niemeier, Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Ableman (via Zoom), and Mr. Jenkins (via Zoom).

**C. Minutes** of the Regular City Council meeting of March 10, 2020 were approved as distributed.

**D. Claims and Vouchers** nos. 152447, 152448, and 152470 through 152564 in the amount of \$847,658.58 were approved as read.

**E. Claims for Damages** None

**F. Small Contracts** The small contracts were previously approved.

**G. Information Items** Karl Otterstrom, Spokane Transit Authority, provided an update on the Cheney Line Infrastructure and Alignment Plan.

**H. Appointments** None

**I. Citizen Comments** None

**J. Action Items**

**1. 20-024 – Resolution E-813 – Windows 10 & Computer Replacement Project** Ms. Niemeier stated that we need to replace our computer hardware. This is for the purchase of the machines and project management. Councilmember Taves moved for approval of Resolution E-813. Councilmember Weiszmann seconded. Carried unanimously.

**2. 20-026 – Resolution E-814 – COVID-19 Emergency Proclamation 2020-1** Mr. Schuller stated that the Mayor signed the emergency proclamation on March 13, 2020. City funds will be spent on this and there may be FEMA and State funding reimbursements. Councilmember Weiszmann moved for approval of Resolution E-814. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

**3. 20-025 – Ordinance X-84 – 2020 Budget Amendment #1** Ms. Niemeier explained the amendment. The total amendment is \$181,000. Councilmember Overhauser moved for the first reading of Ordinance X-84 in title and summary form only, that reading considered the second and third, and that it be placed before Council for final passage. Councilmember Taves seconded. Carried unanimously. Yes votes: Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Barthels, Councilmember Weiszmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Hilton, Councilmember Taves. Ordinance X-84 passed.

**K. Staff Reports** Mr. Schuller stated that the yard waste bins are out. We are a Tree City USA for the tenth year. He provided a COVID-19 update. Mr. Jenkins also provided information on COVID-19.

**L. Mayor's Report** Mayor Grover stated that Mr. Schuller has lead the COVID-19 effort and has done a great job. Local businesses are asking how they can help. It is great to see that we are all together as a community.

**M. Council Reports** All councilmembers thanked Mayor Grover and staff for their work responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**N. Executive Session** None

**O. Adjournment** Councilmember Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Barthels seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

*Wynne Sumner*  
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City Clerk

*Chris France*  
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Mayor