

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**August 11, 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 Weismann, 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, and Ms. Snider.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of July 28, 2020 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 154318 through 154418, 154046, 154112, and July interdepartmental billing in the amount of \$471,543.28; payroll warrants nos. 63346 through 63385 in the amount of \$20,600.66, direct deposits in the amount of \$379,916.87, claims warrants nos. 154047 through 154074, 154113 through 154114, and 154304 through 154305 in the amount of \$528,628.70, and transfers to claims clearing fund for distribution of previously expensed and reported benefit adjustments in the amount of -\$44,080.10, for a total payroll of \$894,066.13 were approved as read. Warrants 63346 and 63347 were voided.

E. Claims for Damages Mayor Grover stated that the claim from Ben Jordan is back for reconsideration. Councilmember Schmidt moved to forward the claim to our insurance pool for further review. Councilmember Overhauser seconded. Carried unanimously.

F. Small Contracts None

G. Information Items None

H. Appointments None

I. Citizen Comments Ms. Niemeier stated that there is a comment from Hannah Ybarra. She is concerned about internet quality and speed in the City with kids going to school remotely.

J. Action Items

1. 20-057 – Resolution E-844 – Avista Edge Master Equipment Leases and Services Agreement Mr. Schuller stated that he took the comments from last meeting and went back to negotiate. Mr. Schwartz provided information on the agreement and the changes that were made since the last meeting. Councilmember Weismann moved for approval of Resolution E-844. Councilmember Taves seconded. Carried unanimously.

K. Staff Reports Mr. Ableman provided an update on the Washington Street Preservation Project. Mr. Hensley provided information on the suspect in recent car burglaries. He stated that they have had an increase in calls for service since COVID-19 began. Mr. Schuller provided updates on COVID-19, Parks and Recreation activities, and code enforcement. He will be speaking at CMA tomorrow.

L. Mayor's Report Mayor Grover stated that he has been having budget meetings with Mr. Schuller, Ms. Niemeier, and department heads. He asked Council to think about what priorities they have for staff to be working on.

M. Council Reports Councilmember Weismann provided an update on the Cheney Depot and information on a food grant program.

N. Executive Session None

O. Adjournment Councilmember Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Gaard seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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Lyndee Greene
City Clerk

Chris Jones
Mayor