



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Date of Meeting

Time of Meeting

Place of Meeting

Minutes of City Council, Regular Meeting

September 21, 2020

7:00 PM

Held Remotely per Governor Inslee's

Proclamation 20-28.9

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll Call Present: David Miller, Mary Morgan, Bruce Tabb, Stacey Engel, Nancy Goodloe, Tristen Lamb, Nancy Lillquist

Also Present: City Manager Akers; City Attorney Weiner; City Clerk Leader; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Public Works & Utilities Director Lyyski; City Engineering Manager Mayo; Parks and Recreation Director Case; Assistant City Attorney Reiman; City Fire Marshal Delvo; Human Resources Director Smith; Veronica Gomez-Vilchis; DaJon DeMille and approximately eight members of the public;

2. Proclamations

2.A. Proclamation for Hispanic Heritage Month

The Proclamation for Hispanic Heritage Month was read in Spanish by Veronica Gomez-Vilchis and was then read by Councilmember Goodloe in English.

Councilmember Nancy Lillquist moved to Approve the Mayor's signature on both proclamations. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

3. Awards and Recognitions

4. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Nancy Goodloe moved to Approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

5. Consent Agenda

5.A. Approve Minutes of September 8, 2020 Regular Meeting

5.B. Approve Minutes of the August 26, 2020 Special Meeting

5.C. Acknowledge Minutes of the Affordable Housing Commission - August 5, 2020

- 5.D. Acknowledge Minutes of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - August 5, 2020
- 5.E. Acknowledge Minutes of the Parks & Recreation Commission - March 22, 2020
- 5.F. Award Bid Call 2020-29 Medium Voltage 15kV Underground Distribution Cable
- 5.G. Bid Award – Bid Call 2020-28 Ridgeview Lane Sewer Main Extension
- 5.H. Approve University Way Banner Request for National Cybersecurity Awareness Month - October 5-11 & 19-25, 2020
- 5.I. Approve University Way Banner Request for CWU Homecoming 2020 - October 12 - 18, 2020
- 5.J. Approve September 21, 2020 Voucher Listing

Councilmember Nancy Lillquist moved to Approve the consent agenda as presented.
Motion Approved 7-0.

6. Petitions, Protests, and Communications

6.A. COVID-19 Update

Councilmember Lamb gave an update on local data and active cases over the past two weeks.

6.B. Board and Commission Applications

Applicant DaJon DeMille was present to introduce himself and spoke on his interest in serving on the Planning Commission or Parks and Recreation Commission.

Mayor Tabb explained there was another application received for the Planning Commission and they would introduce that applicant at the next Council meeting.

7. Citizen Comment on Non-agenda Issues

Theresa Plue, 140 Woodhouse Loop, commented regarding comments made by Stacy Hammond at a previous Council meeting and also commented regarding Hispanic Heritage Month.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N Sampson St., commented regarding allowance of public comment at virtual council meetings and alleged police corruption.

8. Business Requiring Public Hearings

9. Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

9.A. Ordinance 4857 (second reading) Amending Fire Code Appendix D Access Road Requirements and Flammable/Combustible Liquid Storage
City Attorney, Terry Weiner, presented information in the staff report and the request to change the requirements in the code to match the International Fire Code.

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance 4857. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

9.B. Ordinance 4858 (second reading) – Concurrence with WSDOT Road Access Classification on portions of SR 97

City Engineering Manager, Derek Mayo, presented information in the staff report concerning classifications for road access of portions of SR 97.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N Sampson St., commented regarding the Fire Code.

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance 4858. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

9.C. Ordinance 4859 (second reading) –Traffic Code Revisions

City Engineering Manager, Derek Mayo, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance 4859. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

11.A. Naming of Downtown Park

Parks and Recreation Director, Brad Case, presented information in the staff report explaining the process for selection of a new park name and the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Councilmember Goodloe inquired about the urgency of naming of the park. She commented regarding having the commission revisit the naming and Councilmembers Engel and Miller agreed.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N Sampson St., commented regarding the process for the survey.

Keith McGowan, 10 Larson Rd, commented regarding the Council discarding the opinion of those that initially participated.

Theresa Plue, 140 Woodhouse Loop, commented regarding the need to have more music in the downtown and options for reaching more of the public.

Councilmember Lillquist asked Director Case how the survey was advertised.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N Sampson St., commented regarding the process done in February.

Theresa Plue, 140 Woodhouse Loop, stated that she agreed with Councilmember Lillquist that it should move forward.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N. Sampson St., commented again regarding providing the community another opportunity to participate in the survey.

Theresa Plue, 140 Woodhouse Loop, commented regarding the ability for everyone in the community to provide input.

City Manager Akers explained staff had enough information from Council for the next steps and will go back to the Parks and Recreation Commission for direction.

Councilmember Nancy Lillquist moved to Approve naming the downtown park Ellensburg Blues Park. **Motion Failed 2-5.**

12. Miscellaneous

12.A. Manager's Report

City Manager Akers reviewed the information in the Manager's Report. Councilmember Miller, Councilmember Goodloe and Mayor Tabb will serve on the Council Funded Grant Program sub-committee. The proposed date for the joint meeting between Council and CWU would be November 18, 2020.

He stated an Executive Session would be needed.

12.B. Councilmembers' Reports

- Councilmember Lamb attended Arts Commission and Library Board meetings and participated in the Diversity, Equity and Arts sub-committee;
- Councilmember Lillquist reported the Developmental Disabilities Committee is searching for another member; she attended the Environmental Commission meeting and mentioned a suggestion for planting fruit trees downtown. She spoke about the Checkerboard Partnership meeting and presented a letter of support for the Cle Elum Community Forest grant;

Councilmember Nancy Lillquist moved to Approve the Mayor's signature on the letter of support for the Cle Elum Ridge Community Forest Program Grant Application. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

- Councilmember Engel attended her regular assigned meetings and the Diversity, Equity and Arts sub-committee. There will be a recommendation presented at the October 5, 2020 Council meeting;
- Councilmember Lamb commented regarding the discussion by the Diversity, Equity and Arts sub-committee and review of the Boards and Commissions policies and inclusion of diversity in each board/commission;
- Councilmember Miller spoke regarding conversations of the Diversity, Equity and Arts sub-committee; attended the Landmarks and Design and Kittitas County Conference of Governments meetings, AWC Equity webinar, and the Urban & Community Forestry Council meeting;
- Councilmember Morgan reported on the KITTCOM board hiring a new Director;
- Councilmember Goodloe attended the Utility Advisory Committee, Law & Justice Council, and Inclusion, Diversity and Equity sub-committee meetings; reported there are approximately six more listening sessions;
- Mayor Tabb attended the Public Transportation Advisory Committee meeting and a School District meeting concerning transportation issues

13. Executive Session

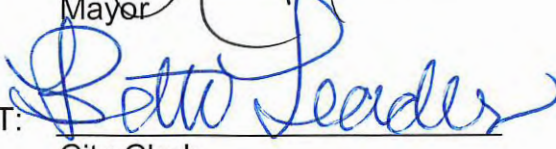
Council recessed to executive session at 8:43 p.m. per RCW 42.30.140, to consider collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, and RCW 42.30-110(1)(c) to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease. The executive session was expected to last approximately 20 minutes and Council was not expected to reconvene.

14. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:11 pm (adjournment delayed due to technical difficulties rejoining the regular meeting on Zoom).



Mayor

ATTEST: 

City Clerk.