



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Date of Meeting

Time of Meeting

Place of Meeting

Minutes of City Council, Regular Meeting

November 16, 2020

7:00 PM

Held Remotely per Governor Inslee's

Proclamation 20-28.12

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

Absent: Mary Morgan

Also Present: City Manager Akers; City Attorney/Assistant City Manager Weiner; City Clerk Leader; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Finance Director Pascoe; Sr. Financial Analyst/Budget Officer Bassett; Public Works & Utilities Director Lyyski; Kittitas County Public Health Officer, Dr. Mark Larson; Tripp Muldrow; Arts Commissioner, Jerald Dougherty and approximately five members of the public

Councilmember Nancy Goodloe moved to Approve an excused absence for Councilmember Morgan. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

2. Proclamations

3. Awards and Recognitions

4. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Nancy Lillquist moved to Approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

5. Consent Agenda

5.A. Approve Minutes of November 5, 2020 Regular Meeting

5.B. Acknowledge Minutes of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - October 7, 2020

5.C. Project Acceptance - Request for Quotes (RFQ) 2020-12 - Vactor Truck Rental

5.D. Authorization to execute a National Mutual Aid Agreement for the Natural Gas Division

5.E. Approve November 16, 2020 Voucher Listing

Councilmember Nancy Goodloe moved to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

6. Petitions, Protests, and Communications

6.A. COVID-19 Update

Dr. Mark Larson gave an update on number of positive cases in Kittitas County, including testing of CWU students.

7. Citizen Comment on Non-agenda Issues

8. Business Requiring Public Hearings

8.A. Public Hearing and first reading of the 2021/2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance
The Mayor opened the Public Hearing. Sr. Financial Analyst/Budget Officer, Keith Bassett, presented information in the staff report. He reviewed the summary of budget changes for 2021 and 2022.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N Sampson St., commented regarding budget funding to purchase body cameras for the Police Department and budget funding that should be cut for the Ellensburg Downtown Association, Kittitas County Health Department and the City Attorney.

Councilmember Tristen Lamb moved to Approve conducting first reading of Ordinance 4864 for the 2021/2022 Biennial Budget. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

9. Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

9.A. Ordinance 4861 (second reading) - 2021 Property Tax Levy Ordinance
Finance Director, Jerica Pascoe, presented information in the staff report.

Theresa Plue, 140 Woodhouse Loop, asked questions regarding certain budget items.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N Sampson St., stated she was speaking on behalf of property owners and commented regarding the increase in property tax.

Councilmember Nancy Goodloe moved to Approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance 4861 for the 2021 Property Tax Levy. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

9.B. Ordinance 4862 (second reading) amending ECC Section 1.30.640 "Officers - Oath and Bond"
Finance Director, Jerica Pascoe, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Miller stated the City is saving the taxpayers \$1,300 with this action.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N. Sampson St., commented regarding her opposition of Council proceeding with the Ordinance adoption.

Councilmember Nancy Lillquist moved to Approve conducting second reading and adoption of Ordinance 4862. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

9.C. Ordinance 4863 (second reading) to Repeal Chapter 5.64 of the Ellensburg City Code - "Carryout Bag Regulations"

Public Works and Utilities Director, Ryan Lyyski, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember David Miller moved to Approve conducting second reading and adoption of Ordinance 4863 repealing Chapter 5.64 of the Ellensburg City Code. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

9.D. Proposed Ordinance amending ECC Chapter 2.32 "Deferred Compensation Plan" and repealing ECC Section 2.32.200.

Finance Director, Jerica Pascoe, reviewed information in the staff report.

Councilmember Stacey Engel moved to Approve conducting first reading of Ordinance 4865 amending Chapter 2.32 and repealing Section 2.32.200 of the Ellensburg City Code. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

10. Unfinished Business

10.A. A "Call for Art" for temporary artwork installation for Rotary Pavilion area in coordination with Ellensburg City Council Equity, Diversity and Arts Subcommittee and Ellensburg Arts Commission.

Councilmember Engel reviewed the process to create the presented Call for Artwork. Jerry Dougherty, Arts Commission member, reviewed the discussion and recommendation from the Arts Commission. Councilmember Lillquist asked questions of Commission member Dougherty. Councilmember Goodloe inquired how a permanent installation could be worked into the plan of the future park.

Stacy Hammond, 308 N Sampson St., speaking for herself, inquired whether only visual artwork would be received.

Theresa Plue, 140 Woodhouse Loop, inquired about the document Arts Commission member Dougherty referenced to regarding racial equity language.

Councilmember Stacey Engel moved to Approve a call for art notice for a temporary art installation at the Rotary Pavilion area as included in the Agenda packet. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

11. New Business

11.A. Council Funded Grant Program - 2021 Grant Awards

Executive Assistant, Laurie Gigstead reviewed the information in the staff report regarding each of the recommended grant allocations.

Councilmember Nancy Lillquist moved to Approve Council to award the recommended grants and authorize the funding distribution in the amount of \$55,930.27. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

11.B. Third Quarter Financial Status and Investment Reports

Finance Director, Jerica Pascoe, reviewed the information in the Financial Status Report and Investment Report for third quarter 2020.

Councilmember Nancy Goodloe moved to Approve Council accept the third quarter Financial Reports as presented. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

12. Miscellaneous

12.A. Manager's Report

The City Manager reviewed the report. He explained the status of Item 2 in the report changed due to the recent Governor's order and the Racquet and Recreation Center would be closed.

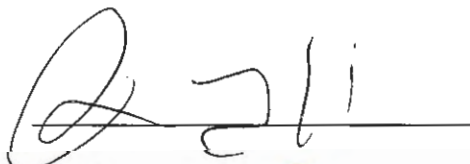
12.B. Councilmembers' Reports

- Councilmember Lillquist attended Airport Strategic Planning meeting and a meeting on glass recycling;
- Councilmember Engel attended Parks & Recreation Commission, EBDA and Planning Commission meetings;
- Councilmember Lamb attended Arts Commission and Library Board meetings and toured city facilities with Councilmember Engel;
- Councilmember Goodloe reported the Association of CWU Students is working to revitalize the "Not In Our Kitt Co" group; and the Inclusion, Diversity and Equity subcommittee is working on finalizing the report to be presented at the December 7th Council meeting;
- Councilmember Miller attended the Council Grant Subcommittee with Mayor Tabb and Councilmember Goodloe, Washington Community Forestry Council meeting, and the AWC Equity Sub-group meeting;
- Mayor Tabb attended the Veteran's Day flag dedication and met with staff concerning the City Manager search. He spoke concerning a letter to the Governor in support of local businesses and the effect the recent restrictions impose on Kittitas County and asking for flexibility of local restrictions. A potential letter will be discussed at the KCCOG meeting on Wednesday and Council can schedule a special meeting to review and consider the letter for the Mayor's signature. A potential Special Meeting date will be Monday, November, 23, 2020.

13. Executive Session

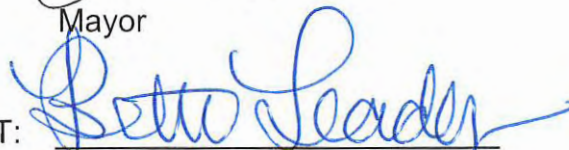
14. Adjournment

Adjourned at 9:16 pm



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk