



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Minutes of City Council, Regular Meeting

Date of Meeting

December 18, 2023

Time of Meeting

7:00 PM

Place of Meeting

**Council Chambers
501 North Anderson Street
Ellensburg, WA 98926
And remotely via Zoom**

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll Call Present: Sarah Beauchamp, Rich Elliott, Nancy Goodloe, Nancy Lillquist, David Miller, Joshua Thompson, Adam Winn

Others present in person: City Manager Behrends Cerniwey, City Attorney Weiner, City Clerk Leader, Assistant Finance Director Bassett, Budget Analyst Lanphere, Community Development Director Carlson, Planning Manager Johnston, Public Information Officer Klauss, approximately 25 members of the public

Other present remotely via Zoom: Senior Planner Henderson and one member of the public

2. Proclamations

3. Awards and Recognitions

4. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Elliott moved to approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

5. Consent Agenda

- 5.A Approve Minutes of December 4, 2023 Regular Meeting
- 5.B Approve University Way Banner Request for CWU SOURCE Dept - May 7 - 13, 2023
- 5.C Flood Control Assistance Account Program (FCAAP) Grant Agreement with Department of Ecology
- 5.D Bid Award - Bid Call 2023-12, Unity Park
- 5.E Extension of Interlocal Agreement with Kittitas County for the Phase II Levee Extension and Agreement for Cultural Resource Survey
- 5.F Accept the Resignation of Jordan Ruhle from the Affordable Housing Commission

- 5.G 2024 Payment Agreement with Kittitas County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Trauma Care Council
- 5.H Project Acceptance - Ruby Street Skim Patch Bid Call 2023-09
- 5.I First Amendment to Affordable Housing Agreement with HopeSource for Pathways Project
- 5.J Approve Agreement for Lease of Mail Processing and Metering Business Solutions with Pitney Bowes Inc.
- 5.K Approve December 18, 2023 Voucher Listing

Councilmember Elliott moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

6. Petitions, Protests, and Communications

- 6.A KCHN Update by Robin Read
Robin Read, Executive Director of Kittitas County Health Network, presented information to Council concerning the Health Network. Council asked questions.
- 6.B Board and Commission Appointments - EBDA (Public Comment Opportunity)
Dawn Alford was present to introduce herself and spoke on her interest in serving on the EBDA board.

Councilmember Elliott moved to confirm the recommendation of CenterFuse to reappoint Del Bankston and Bob Rapp and appoint Dawn Alford to the Board of Directors. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

7. Citizen Comment on Non-agenda Issues

- Howard Jones, Ellensburg resident, spoke regarding the study session
- Angie Lang, Ellensburg resident, provided pictures to the Clerk, who distributed to Council, and spoke regarding the hill slope of Craig's Hill
- Cheryl Chance, County resident, spoke regarding the meeting between the City and Legion and trees that were removed at Reed Park
- Penney Whitman, Ellensburg resident, spoke regarding work by the water tower and the first u-turn and how it affects the American Legion
- Jeff Whitman, Ellensburg Resident, representing himself and the American Legion, spoke regarding construction work being done
- Robert Lowry, County resident, speaking for himself, spoke regarding Craig's Hill
- Terri Marcel, Ellensburg resident, spoke regarding the Reed Park plan
- Teresa Plue, County resident, spoke regarding soil erosion study
- Chuck Lang, Ellensburg resident, spoke regarding pausing a decision on the park plan
- Mikhael Burt, Ellensburg resident, speaking for herself, spoke remotely via Zoom regarding City recreation programs

8. Business Requiring Public Hearings

9. Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

- 9.A Ordinance 4926 (Second Reading) 2023 Comprehensive Plan Amendments (Public Comment Opportunity)

Jeremy Johnston, Planning Manager, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Miller moved to disapprove remanded docket proposal 23-04, Jensen Map Amendment. **Motion Approved 6-1. (Winn voted no)**

Councilmember Elliott moved to conduct second reading and adoption of Ordinance 4926. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

- 9.B Ordinance 4934 (Second Reading) Amending the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget (Public Comment Opportunity)

Gloria Lanphere, Budget Analyst, presented information in the staff report.

Teresa Plue, County resident, spoke regarding budgeted funds available for memorial pool.

Councilmember Elliott moved to conduct second reading and adoption of Mid-Biennial Review Supplemental Budget Ordinance 4934 as presented. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

- 9.C Ordinance 4935 (Second Reading) Land Development Code Amendments (Public Comment Opportunity)

Jeremy Johnston, Planning Manager presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Beauchamp moved to conduct second reading of Ordinance 4935 as presented, adopting proposed Land Development Code Amendments with a staff amendment to remove subsection 15.300.070 included in error in the first reading. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

- 9.D Resolution 2023-33 Update of the City Council Rules of Procedure

Terry Weiner, City Attorney, presented information in the staff report.

Teresa Plue, County resident, spoke regarding the suggested changes to the public comment period.

Councilmember Goodloe spoke against elimination of Zoom public comment and councilmembers asked questions and provided comment.

Councilmember Elliott moved to adopt Resolution 2023-33, updating the City Council Rules of Procedure. **Motion Approved 4-3. (Beauchamp, Goodloe and Lillquist voted no)**

- 9.E Resolution 2023-34 Declaring The City of Ellensburg to be an Inviting, Equitable and Safe Community For All (Public Comment Opportunity)

Nicole Klauss, Public Information Officer, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Elliott moved to adopt Resolution 2023-34 declaring the City of Ellensburg to be an inviting, equitable and safe community for all. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

12. Miscellaneous

12.A Manager's Report

The City Manager reviewed the report. She mentioned the work in progress at the Memorial Pool.

12.B Councilmembers' Reports

- Councilmember Beauchamp reported on Library Board, stated the Library's 114th birthday celebration will be in January, and reported on the County's Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee
- Councilmember Elliott attended CenterFuse, Planning Commission, and Kittitas County EMS Council meetings, volunteered at the Yakima Humane Society, spoke about the fire code official replacement, reported on KITTCOM and a ballot measure being considered by Kittitas County Commissioners for sales tax increase to fund KITTCOM infrastructure
- Councilmember Goodloe attended Kittitas County Homelessness & Affordable Housing Committee, DEI, Sustainability & Energy plan by City staff, met with Chief Wade & staff regarding their survey, communicated with the Dispute Resolution Center in Yakima, and attended an AWC-DEI Commission meeting
- Councilmember Miller attended the Arts Commission meeting, will attend the upcoming PTAC, and has attended holiday concerts
- Councilmember Thompson introduced himself to city staff, and met individually with Chief Wade and Library Director Camarillo
- Councilmember Winn reported on this being his last meeting and thanked everyone
- Mayor Lillquist reported on Leadership Kittitas County, attended the Continental Cold Storage ground breaking, Mayor's lunch, Kittitas County Airport Advisory meeting, Fred Meyer grand re-opening, Kittitas County Chamber Legislative day, and announced Kittitas County is looking for members to serve on a short term rental committee

13. Executive Session

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

 Ryan Enos
Mayor

ATTEST:  Beth Seader
City Clerk