



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Date of Meeting

Time of Meeting

Place of Meeting

Minutes of City Council, Regular Meeting

June 7, 2021

7:00 PM

**Held Remotely per Governor Inslee's Proclamation
20-28.15, extended by Senate Concurrent
Resolution 8402**

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

Councilmember Stacey Engel arrived at 7:10 pm

Also Present: City Manager Behrends Cerniwey; City Attorney Weiner; City Clerk Leader; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Engineering Manager Mayo; Planning Manager Ayling; Parks and Recreation Director Case; Ellensburg Police Chief Wade; Kittitas County Health Officer Dr. Mark Larson; Hanna Freeden and approximately 18 members of the public.

2. Proclamations

2.A. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Pride Month Proclamation
Hanna Freeden read the proclamation for LGBTQ Pride Month.

Councilmember Nancy Goodloe moved to Approve the Mayor's signature on the Proclamation declaring June 2021 as LGBTQ Pride Month. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

2.B. Race Unity Day Proclamation
The Mayor read the Proclamation for Race Unity Day.

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve the Mayor's signature on the Proclamation. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

3. Awards and Recognitions

4. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion 6-0.**

5. Consent Agenda

- 5.A. Approve Minutes of May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting
- 5.B. Approve Minutes of the March 30, 2021 Special Meeting
- 5.C. Acknowledge Minutes of Arts Commission - April 8, 2021
- 5.D. Acknowledge Minutes of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Commission - May 11, 2021
- 5.E. Acknowledge Minutes of Ellensburg Business Development Authority Board – April 14, 2021
- 5.F. Acknowledge Minutes of Environmental Commission - February 17, 2021
- 5.G. Acknowledge Minutes of Library Board - April 13, 2021
- 5.H. Acknowledge Minutes of Utility Advisory Committee - April 15, 2021
- 5.I. Resolution 2021-14 - 111 N Alder - Moody street tree removal
- 5.J. Purchase of Residential Gas Meters
- 5.K. Bid Award – Bid Call 2020-34 University Way and Reecer Creek Road Signalization
- 5.L. Accept Resignation of Helen Burrows from the Senior Citizens Advisory Commission
- 5.M. Accept Resignation of Shari Smith from the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- 5.N. Award RFQ #R21-18 - Currier Creek and Reecer Creek Primary Extension
- 5.O. Approve University Way Banner Request for 2021 CWU Commencement - June 7- 14, 2021
- 5.P. Approve Voucher Listing for June 7, 2021

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve the consent agenda as presented.
Motion Approved 6-0.

6. Petitions, Protests, and Communications

- 6.A. COVID-19 Update
Dr. Larson gave an update of the number of COVID cases for the County. He also spoke regarding the June 30th opening date.

6.B. Board and Commission Appointments

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Daphne Condon to the Environmental Commission, Ali Brown to the Parks and Recreation Commission and Sigrid Davison to the Planning Commission. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

6.C. 2020 Police Department Annual Report

Ellensburg Police Chief, Ken Wade, presented information in the 2020 Ellensburg Police Department Report. Council asked questions of Chief Wade.

6.D. Unity Park Update

Parks and Recreation Director, Brad Case, presented an informational update concerning Unity Park. Council asked questions of Director Case. Councilmember Morgan inquired about Reed Park.

7. Citizen Comment on Non-agenda Issues

8. Business Requiring Public Hearings

8.A. Public hearing (legislative) to adopt a Resolution amending the City's Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) for 2021-2026 and revising a grant funded project.

The Mayor opened the public hearing. Engineering Manager, Derek Mayo, presented information in the staff report.

With no questions or comments from the public, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve adoption of Resolution 2021-15 amending the 2021-2026 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

9. Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

9.A. Ellensburg Business Incubator Purchase and Sale Agreement
City Attorney, Terry Weiner, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Mary Morgan moved to Approve Resolution 2021-16 for sale of the Ellensburg Business Incubator building to Steve & Susan Gunn and authorize the Mayor and City Manager to execute the agreement and all associated paperwork. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

11.A. Affordable Housing Commission Recommendation on City Property Contribution for Affordable Housing
Planning Manager, Jamey Ayling, presented information in the staff report.

Sara Omrani, 7790 Cook Canyon Rd, representing herself, spoke against removing the community garden.

April Binder, 102 S Pine St, spoke regarding the application.

Kara Gabriel, 104 S Pine St, representing herself, spoke against the application.

Ryan Romano, 103 N Pine St, representing himself, spoke regarding the proposed units and parking availability.

Sarah Haven, 103 N Ruby St., representing herself, spoke in favor of the community garden.

Susan Merrill, 105 N Pine St, representing herself, spoke regarding the proposed project.

Karen Stansbery, 101 N Ruby St, representing herself, spoke regarding traffic issues in the neighborhood.

Tiffany Harlan, 101 S Pearl St, representing herself, spoke against the project.

Paula McMinn, 2000 N Alder St, representing herself, spoke regarding the project and in favor of the community garden.

Rebecca Sandvig, 101 N Pearl St, spoke in favor of the community garden and concerns about potential traffic.

Blake Collins, 106 W 11th Ave, representing himself, spoke in favor of the community garden.

Councilmembers commented regarding the project. There was discussion regarding potential changes to the developer's submittal.

City Manager Behrends Cerniwey suggested a study session to discuss Council suggestions and for staff to present additional information.

Councilmember David Miller moved to table the request to authorize the Mayor's signature on the award letter to Stalder Interests until such time that Council completes further deliberation on the subject and schedule a special meeting for June 28, 2021 at 6 pm. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

11.B. Notice of intent to commence annexation proceedings – parcels 916833, 698633, 708633 and 528633 located at 805 Anderson Road
Planning Manager, Jamey Ayling, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Nancy Lillquist moved to Approve considering the notice of intent to commence annexation proceedings setting annexation area as shown on the attached map for parcels 916833, 698633, 708633 and 528633, including adjacent street right of way; simultaneously adopting zoning as of Industrial Light (IL) and including all or any portion of existing city or town indebtedness by the area annexed. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

12. Miscellaneous

12.A. Manager's Report

The City Manager presented the report.

There was a letter presented for the Mayor's signature representing mid-size cities. Council consensus was approval for the Mayor to sign the letter.

Councilmember David Miller moved to Approve setting a public hearing for the 2022-2026 STIP for the June 21, 2021 Council meeting. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

12.B. Councilmembers' Reports

- Councilmember Engel reported on the UGA interlocal agreement with the County and is being reviewed by City staff; she requested discussion of the funds from the sale of the incubator building for economic development; and she announced her resignation from Council effective July 31, 2021
- Councilmember Lamb attended meeting regarding boards and commissions
- Councilmember Goodloe attended the Law & Justice Council, Utility Advisory Committee, DEI Commission and Community Recovery Fund Committee. She also attended the Spurling Court dedication;
- Councilmember Miller attended the Spurling Court dedication, Washington Forestry Council and County Affordable Housing Committee and the Landmarks & Design Committee meetings;
- Councilmember Lillquist attended the Lincoln Elementary groundbreaking, tour of Ida Nason Elementary, Utility Advisory Committee meeting, airport open houses and broadband action team meeting with the County
- Mayor Tabb updated council regarding letters of support for varied projects.

13. Executive Session

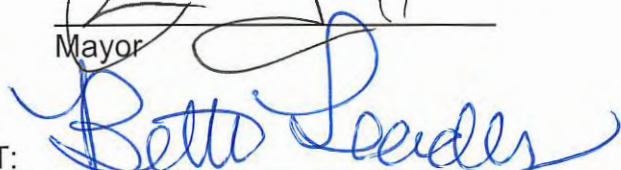
14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:09 pm



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk