



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Minutes of City Council, Regular Meeting

Date of Meeting

January 16, 2024

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

Others present in person: City Manager Behrends Cerniwey, City Attorney Weiner, City Clerk Leader, Community Development Director Carlson, Engineering Manager Mayo, Energy Resources Manager Stanavich, Sustainability & Energy coordinator Baker, and approximately 15 members of the public

Others present remotely via Zoom: two members of the public

2. Proclamations

3. Awards and Recognitions

4. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Goodloe moved to approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

5. Consent Agenda

- 5.A Approve Minutes of January 2, 2024 Regular Meeting
- 5.B Approve Minutes of January 2, 2024 Study Session
- 5.C Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions
- 5.D Accept the Resignation of Olene Togiallua from the DEI Commission
- 5.E Project Acceptance for Bid Call 2022-08 for Mobile Data Collection System and ERT Programmers
- 5.F City-County Library Services Agreement for 2024
- 5.G Third Amendment to the Affordable Housing Agreement with 113 West Bender

Road (Habitat for Humanity)

5.H 2024 Professional Services Agreement Between City of Ellensburg and Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce

5.I Approve January 16, 2024 Voucher Listing

Councilmember Lillquist moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

6. Petitions, Protests, and Communications

6.A Recommendation of Appointment to Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (Public Comment Opportunity)

Councilmember Lillquist moved to approve reappointment of Gemma Fortier to the Lodging Tax Committee. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

7. Citizen Comment on Non-agenda Issues

- Angie Lang, Ellensburg resident, read a statement from business owner, Katie Olsen regarding Parks and Recreation facilities. Ms. Lang also commented regarding Reed Park expenses.
- Cheryl Chance, County resident, commented regarding city code sections 1.16.240 and 1.16.280 and read a statement by city resident, Cecilia Crow
- Scott Heaverlo, City resident, read a statement from Bryce Herbst regarding Craigs Hill and Reed Park
- Rose Massey, Ellensburg resident, read a statement from Birgit Mitchel regarding Craigs Hill
- Penney Whitman, Ellensburg resident commented regarding Reed Park and Craigs Hill
- Jennifer Patteson, County resident, read a statement by Curt Julsrud regarding restrooms at Reed Park and expressed thanks for the ERRC property clean up
- Pat Kelleher, County resident, commented regarding Unity Park

8. Business Requiring Public Hearings

8.A Public Hearing (Legislative) to Consider Supportive and Emergency Housing Facilities Code Amendments and First Reading of Ordinance 4936 (Public Comment Opportunity)

The Mayor opened the public hearing. Dan Carlson, Community Development Director, presented information in the staff report.

Pat Kelleher, County resident, commented regarding the emergency cold weather shelter and use of Hal Holmes Center. Director Carlson responded to the comment. Council asked questions.

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

Councilmember Lillquist moved to conduct first reading of Supportive and

Emergency Housing Facilities Ordinance 4936.

Councilmember Miller moved to amend the motion to include permitted use in the PR zone for indoor emergency shelters. Council discussed. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

Vote on main motion as amended. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

9. Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

- 9.A Resolution 2024-01 for Allocation of 2024 Lodging Tax Funds (Public Comment Opportunity)

The City Manager presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Lillquist moved to adopt Resolution 2024-01, approving the allocation of 2024 Lodging Tax Funds. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

- 9.B Resolution 2024-02 - Adoption of City's Sustainability & Energy Plan (Public Comment Opportunity)

Buddy Stanavich, Energy Resources Manager, presented information in the staff report. Christie Hoffpauer, with McKinstry, attending remotely via Zoom, presented information to Council.

Pat Kelleher, County resident, commented regarding the plan.

Jennifer Patteson, County resident, commented regarding electric usage and EV charging

Councilmember Lillquist moved to adopt Resolution 2024-02, committing the City to the Sustainability and Energy Plan.

Councilmember Lillquist moved to amend the resolution to include "*Whereas, the Sustainability and Energy Plan was also guided by the 2019 Washington Clean Buildings Act to lower costs and pollution from fossil fuel consumption in the state's existing covered buildings and multifamily dwellings, and*". **Motion Approved 6-0.**

Vote on main motion as amended. **Motion Approved 5-1 (Thompson voted no)**

- 9.C Resolution 2024-03 to Reject All Bids for Bid Call 2023-19 Pfenning Road Shared Use Pathway (Public Comment Opportunity)

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

Pat Kelleher, County resident, commented about pedestrian safety and the project.

Councilmember Miller moved to adopt Resolution 2024-03 rejecting all bids for

Bid Call 2023-19, Pfenning Road Shared Use Pathway, due to bid irregularities with the lowest four bids and bid pricing in excess of the engineer's estimate and City's project budget for the remaining bids. **Motion Approved 6-0.**

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

12. Miscellaneous

12.A Manager's Report (No Public Comment)

Heidi Behrends Cerniwey, City Manager, reviewed the report.

An executive session was needed per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and was anticipated to last ten minutes. No action would be taken.

12.B Councilmembers' Reports (No Public Comment)

- Councilmember Beauchamp reported on the Public Library birthday celebration on January 20th and attended the KITTCOM Board meeting
- Councilmember Goodloe reported on the DEI commission meeting
- Councilmember Lillquist reported on Airport Advisory Committee meeting, County Homelessness & Affordable Housing Committee meeting, and attended the CenterFuse west interchange presentation
- Councilmember Miller attended Arts Commission, Planning Commission, and PTAC meetings
- Councilmember Thompson attended Landmarks & Design Committee and a Chamber of Commerce meeting
- Mayor Elliott reported on the west interchange project and attended the State of the Community event

13. Executive Session

- 13.A Per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

Council recessed into executive session at 8:42 pm and would take ten minutes. No action would be taken.

Mayor Elliott announced at 8:52 pm that the executive session would be extended for three minutes.

Council reconvened at 8:54 pm

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk