

CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Minutes of City Council, Regular Meeting

Date of Meeting

July 1, 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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Lillquist

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll Call Present: Sarah Beauchamp, Rich Elliott, Nancy Goodloe, Nancy Lillquist, David Miller, Delano Palmer and Joshua Thompson

Others present in person: City Manager Behrends Cerniwey, City Attorney Weiner, City Clerk Leader, Accountant III-Budget Officer Lanphere, Assistant Finance Director Bassett, Planning Manager Johnston, and approximately five members of the public

Others present remotely via Zoom: None

2. Proclamations

3. Awards and Recognitions

4. Approval of Agenda

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

5. Consent Agenda

- 5.A Approve Minutes of June 17, 2024 Regular Meeting
- 5.B Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions
- 5.C Accept the Resignation of Loretta Gray from the Library Board
- 5.D 2024 Ellensburg Transportation Safety Action Plan Agreement for Professional Services
- 5.E Award Bid Call No. 2024-16 Tree Trimming Contract Utility Electrical Distribution System to Basin Tree Service & Pest Control Inc.
- 5.F Approve July 1, 2024 Voucher Listing

Councilmember Lillquist moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion**

Approved 7-0

6. Petitions, Protests, and Communications

6.A Board and Commission Appointments

Jeremy Johnston, Planning Manager, presented the Planning Commission appointment recommendation.

Heidi Behrends Cerniwey, City Manager, presented the DEI Commission appointment recommendation.

Councilmember Palmer moved to approve the appointment of M. Ellatamby-O'Brien to the DEI Commission as recommended by the subcommittee and the reappointment of Geraldine O'Mahony to the Planning Commission as recommended by the subcommittee. **Motion Approved 7-0**

7. Citizen Comment on Non-agenda Issues

- William Coleman, Kittitas resident, spoke regarding DEI and flags
- Howard Jones, Ellensburg resident, spoke regarding numerous items
- Terri Stone, Ellensburg resident, speaking on behalf of himself, spoke regarding noxious weeds and bug infestation within the city

8. Business Requiring Public Hearings

9. Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

9.A Ordinance 4943 (First Reading) Amending the 2023-2024 Biennial Budget (Public Comment Opportunity)

Gloria Lanphere, Accountant III-Budget Officer, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Goodloe moved to approve conducting first reading of Ordinance 4943. **Motion Approved 7-0**

9.B Resolution 2024-19 Amending Small Works Roster Policies (Public Comment Opportunity)

Keith Bassett, Assistant Finance Director, presented information in the staff report.

Councilmember Miller moved to approve adoption of Resolution 2024-19 establishing a small works roster process and to repeal Resolution No. 2019-24. **Motion Approved 7-0**

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

12. Miscellaneous

12.A Manager's Report

Heidi Behrends Cerniwey, City Manager, reviewed the report. A letter of support to the Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce and CenterFuse was included on the dais for approval of the Mayor's signature.

Councilmember Goodloe moved to approve the Mayor's signature on the letter of support. **Motion Approved 7-0**

Two executive sessions were needed per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) and were anticipated to last 20 minutes. No action would be taken.

12.B Councilmembers' Reports

- Councilmember Goodloe attended the Kittitas County Council of Governments, Kittitas County Homelessness & Affordable Housing, and the Juneteenth debriefing meetings
- Councilmember Lillquist attended the Juneteenth celebration
- Councilmember Miller attended the PTAC meeting and Planning Commission applicant interviews
- Councilmember Palmer thanked everyone for attending the Juneteenth event
- Councilmember Thompson participated in Board & Commission interviews
- Mayor Elliott spoke about the disaster drill with city staff, 4th of July breakfast provided by KVFR and Kittitas County hosted fireworks display at the County fairgrounds/event center

13. Executive Session

Council recessed to executive session at 7:40 pm which was anticipated to last 20 minutes. The Mayor announced at 8:00 pm that the executive session would be extended by five minutes.

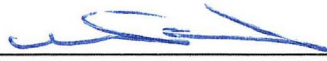
Council reconvened at 8:05 pm.

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

13.B Per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b), to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price.

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk