



## **CITY OF ELLENSBURG**

**Date of Meeting**

**Time of Meeting**

**Place of Meeting**

## **Minutes of City Council, Regular Meeting**

**June 5, 2023**

**7:00 PM**

**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 (remotely), Rich Elliott, Nancy Goodloe, Nancy Lillquist, David Miller, Monica Miller, Adam Winn

Others present in person: City Manager Behrends Cerniwey, City Attorney Weiner, City Clerk Leader, Community Development Director Carlson, Arts & Economic Development Manager Vandeberg, Assistant City Attorney Reiman, and approximately 15 members of the public

Others present remotely via Zoom: three members of the public

#### **2. Proclamations**

##### **2.A. LGBTQ Pride Month Proclamation**

Judy Coder read the proclamation.

##### **2.B. Juneteenth Day of Observance**

Councilmember Goodloe read the proclamation.

#### **3. Awards and Recognitions**

##### **3.A. Washington Association of School Administrator's Award Presented by Jinger Haberer, ESD Superintendent**

Jinger Haberer, Ellensburg School District Superintendent, presented the award to Councilmember Goodloe

##### **3.B. Introduction of New City Staff**

The City Manager introduced Kelle Vandenberg, Arts and Economic Development Manager and Dan Carlson, Community Development Director.

#### **4. Approval of Agenda**

Councilmember Elliott moved to Approve the amended Agenda to add an executive session to discuss litigation or potential litigation. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

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## **5. Consent Agenda**

- 5.A. Approve Minutes of the May 15, 2023 Regular Meeting
- 5.B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions
- 5.C. Memorandum of Understanding between the Greater Columbia Region Municipalities to Establish an Opioid Abatement Council
- 5.D. Professional Services Consultant Agreement for the Engineering and Design of the Pfenning Road Sidewalk Extension Project (240 feet north of Vantage Hwy to Radio Rd.)
- 5.E. City of Ellensburg Annual Financial Statement Report
- 5.F. Approval of a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Office and Professional Employees' International Union (OPEIU) Local 8 and the City of Ellensburg
- 5.G. Award Bid Call 2023-04 Main Street / Wildcat Way Overlay & CBD Slurry Seal Project
- 5.H. Employment Agreement with Daniel J. Carlson for Community Development Director
- 5.I. Approve June 5, 2023 Voucher Listing

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

## **6. Petitions, Protests, and Communications**

- 6.A. Board and Commission Appointments - Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Commission, Landmarks and Design Commission and Utility Advisory Committee  
Amber Hoefer, Olene Togiallua and Jeff Bousson were present to introduce themselves.

Councilmember Elliott moved to Approve Council affirmation for Amber Hoefer and Olene to the DEI Commission and Andrew Polak to the Landmarks & Design Commission. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

- 6.B. CenterFuse Update  
Margaret Reich, EBDA/CenterFuse Executive Director, introduced board members present and reviewed information concerning the background of the EBDA.

## **7. Citizen Comment on Non-agenda Issues**

Pat Kelleher, 6530 Wilson Creek Rd, spoke regarding sidewalks on Craig Hill at Reed Park.

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## 8. Business Requiring Public Hearings

## 9. Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

### 9.A. Resolution to Adopt Electronic and Digital Signature Policy

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

Councilmember Monica Miller moved to Approve adoption of Resolution 2023-13 adopting the electronic and digital signature policy. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

## 10. Unfinished Business

## 11. New Business

## 12. Miscellaneous

### 12.A. Manager's Report

The City Manager reviewed the report. Additional items reviewed were: appointing a representative on the opioid abatement council and a letter for the Mayor's signature concerning behavioral health. There will be a public hearing on June 20th for the Transportation Improvement Plan

Councilmember Winn moved to Approve canceling the June 20th study session. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

Councilmember Goodloe moved to Approve County Commissioner Wachsmith to serve on the Opioid Abatement Council on Ellensburg's behalf. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

Councilmember Elliott moved to Approve the Mayor's signature on the letter for behavioral health court grant. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

Councilmember Elliott moved to Approve appointing Councilmember Goodloe to the AWC conference. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

### 12.B. Councilmembers' Reports

- Councilmember Beauchamp thanked the City for support of the Pride event
- Councilmember Elliott reported on potential fire issues
- Councilmember Goodloe participated in the DEI commission interviews, attended the Utility Advisory Commission meeting and recognized Ed Barry, who has served on the committee for numerous years. She requested an excused absence for June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Councilmember David Miller moved to Approve an excused absence for Councilmember Goodloe at the June 20, 2023 meeting. **Motion Approved 7-0.**

- Councilmember David Miller attended a Public Transportation Advisory Committee and the Pride festivities
- Councilmember Monica Miller attended Historic Preservation Day at the Historical Museum, interviews for Landmarks & Design and activities coordinated by CenterFuse
- Mayor Lillquist attended the bike ride and celebration at Unity Park, meeting with Dr. Schrier regarding City projects, CWU Economic Outlook conference, Sustainability Planning Committee, Utility Advisory Committee meeting, Mayor's lunch, Yakima Basin Fish & Wildlife Recovery Board and the Kittitas County Historical Museum pub crawl

An Executive Session was needed per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) concerning potential litigation and was anticipated to last 7 minutes. No action would be taken.

### **13. Executive Session**

Executive Session was required per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss litigation or potential litigation with the agency.

Council recessed to executive session at 8:21 pm

Council reconvened at 8:28 pm

### **14. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm

  
Mayor

ATTEST:   
City Clerk