



CITY OF EAST WENATCHEE

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City Council Workshop Zoom Meeting

East Wenatchee City Hall
271 9th St. NE
East Wenatchee, WA 98802

Minutes

Thursday, January 14, 2021

In attendance:

Mayor Crawford	Lori Barnett, Community Development Director
Councilmember Sterk	Devin Poulson, City Attorney
Councilmember Tidd	Tom Wachholder, Project Development Mngr.
Councilmember Magdoff	Mary Beth Phillips, Court Administrator
Councilmember Sleiman	Trina Elmes, Events Director / PIO
Councilmember Johnson	Maria Holman, City Clerk
Councilmember Hepner	

5:30 p.m. Council Workshop.

Councilmember Magdoff opened the meeting.

1. Project Development Manager Tom Wachholder presented a conceptual SR 28 & 9th Street NE Intersection Improvements plan that provided the Council an option for a single and dual pedestrian crosswalk and bike lane.

Comments provided by all Councilmembers, RH2 Engineer Erik Howe, Regional Bike Advisory Committee (RBAC) Chairman Mark Kacmarcik, and Community Development Director Lori Barnett.

There was a consensus by the Council for a single pedestrian crosswalk. No action was taken by the Council.

2. Community Development Director Lori Barnett presented information regarding a second amendment to the 2019 CDBG Annual Action Plan to identify projects for use of the CDBG-CV3 grant award. Staff proposed the two projects and requested the Council's direction to proceed. 1.) The Chelan & Douglas County COVID-19 Food Assistance Program operated from September through December. Staff proposed that \$15,000 in funds be allocated for the Chelan & Douglas County COVID-19 Food Assistance Program to continue the program as the program is ending. 2.) Staff proposed that the remainder of the funds -

\$99,862 - be allocated for income payments (rent and utilities). If that turns out to be too much for that program, amend the plan again at a later time.

Comments provided by Councilmember Magdoff, Councilmember Tidd, Mayor Crawford, General Manager of the Town Toyota Center Mark Miller, Councilmember Sleiman, and Councilmember Hepner.

There was a consensus by the council to support the proposed programs. No action was taken by the Council.

3. Mayor Crawford asked the Council what topics they want to have placed on 2021 Workshop Agendas? Second, the Mayor asked the Council if they were interested in adding feral cats to a 2021 Workshop? And possibly requiring licensing of cats? The Council did not ask to move cat licensing forward.

Councilmember Tidd asked to have annexation, future city events, and also said that the Wenatchee Valley is the hub for technologies and we need to look at bringing technology business into our community. Councilmember Hepner would like to add the topic of the Riverfront property.


Councilmember Sleiman would like to have outdoor recreation as a topic. Community Development Director Lori Barnett said we need to link up with organizations in our community and bring them to our meetings and educate the Council on what others are already doing. Councilmember Hepner asked to discuss electric vehicle charging stations and having stations in East Wenatchee.


4. Councilmember Hepner spoke about the Retail Academy training that he participated in and shared what he learned.

Comments provided by Councilmember Tidd, and Councilmember Sleiman.

Adjournment. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Attest:


Jerrilea Crawford, Mayor



Maria E. Holman, City Clerk