



East Wenatchee City Council Meeting Tuesday, February 2, 2021

Zoom Meeting
East Wenatchee City Hall
271 9th Street NE
East Wenatchee, WA 98802

Minutes

In attendance:

Mayor Jerrilea Crawford
Councilmember John Sterk
Councilmember Harry Raab
Councilmember Robert Tidd
Councilmember Sasha Sleiman
Councilmember Shayne Magdoff
Councilmember Christine Johnson
Councilmember Matthew Hepner

Staff in attendance:

Josh DeLay, Finance Director
Lori Barnett, Community Development Director
Devin Poulson, City Attorney
Rick Johnson, Police Chief
Erik Hampton, Assistant Police Chief
Tom Wachholder, Project Development Manager
Mary Beth Phillips, Court Administrator
Trina Elmes, Events Director/PIO
Maria Holman, City Clerk

6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

- a. Councilmember Hepner joined the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

1. Consent Items:

- a. 11/20/2020 DocuSign Agreement.
- b. Date: 2/2/2021, Checks: 54657 - 54703, in the amount of \$206,039.12.
- c. 1/19/2021 Council Meeting Minutes.

***Motion by Councilmember Tidd to approve consent items as presented.
Councilmember Magdoff seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).***

2. Citizen Requests/Comments.

- a. Community member Claudia Nilson of 305 S. Houston Ave., East Wenatchee, spoke to Council regarding concerns about the traffic speed on 4th St. SE.

Comments provided by Mayor Crawford, Chief of Police Rick Johnson, Councilmember Hepner and Councilmember Raab.

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3. Public Hearing.

- a. A public hearing was held to receive comments on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program proposed Amendment #2 to the 2019 Annual Action Plan to allocate CDBG-CV3 funding.

Community Development Director Lori Barnett provided a staff report regarding the proposed amendment.

Mayor Crawford opened the Public Hearing at 6:14 to obtain public comment, the hearing was closed at 6:18 p.m., no public comment was received.

- i. Mayor Crawford read **Resolution 2021-03** adopting Amendment No. 2 to the 2019 Annual Action Plan in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Regulations at 24 CFR Part 91 to allocate the award of Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act “CDBG-CV3” funds, declaration of Urgent Need, amending Resolutions 2020-16 and 2019-17.

Community Development Director Lori Barnett provided additional information to the Council.

Motion by Councilmember Tidd to approve Resolution 2021-03 authorizing the Mayor to sign the necessary agreements and certifications required by HUD. Councilmember Sleiman seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- b. A public hearing was held to receive comments on the Wenatchee Kennel Club request to waive the required public street improvements for McGee St. SE associated with the training facility at 200 1st St. SE.

Community Development Director Lori Barnett provided a staff report regarding the request by the Wenatchee Kennel Club.

Mayor Crawford opened the public hearing at 6:19 p.m. to obtain public comment, the hearing was closed at 6:24 p.m., no public comment was received.

Comments provided by Councilmember Tidd. Mayor Crawford advised the Council that this requires action by the Council if they wish to approve.

Motion by Councilmember Sterk to approve the requested waiver of required improvements on McGee St. S.E., by the Wenatchee Kennel Club. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

4. Presentations. None.

5. Department Report.

- a. Police Chief Rick Johnson introduced East Wenatchee’s Police Department new Assistant Police Chief Erik Hampton.

Comments provided by Police Chief Rick Johnson, Assistant Police Chief Erik Hampton, Councilmember Raab and Mayor Crawford.

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Department Report Continued:

- b.** Project Development Manager Tom Wachholder presented the 2020 Year-End Public Works Report.

Comments provided by Councilmember Tidd, Councilmember Magdoff, Councilmember Sleiman and Mayor Crawford.

6. Mayor's Report.

- a.** Mayor Crawford reported the passing of Sandy McCourt former Councilmember who served the City of East Wenatchee from 2004 to 2018. The Mayor expressed her condolences to Sandy's family.
- b.** Mayor Crawford provided a COVID-19 update regarding massive vaccinations in our community. She also encouraged the community to keep supporting small businesses.
- c.** Mayor Crawford informed the Council that the February council workshop has been moved from the 11th to February 25, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.
- d.** Mayor Crawford informed the Council that Chelan County Commissioner Bob Bugert reached out to the City of East Wenatchee regarding a newly formed Equity and Inclusion Committee/Board. Commissioner Bugert is looking to have an ex officio representative from the City of East Wenatchee on the board.

Councilmember Sleiman volunteered to serve on the Board, Mayor Crawford approved the request.

Comments provided by Councilmember Magdoff, Councilmember Sleiman, Councilmember Hepner and Mayor Crawford.

7. Action Items.

- a.** City Attorney Devin Poulson presented **Resolution 2021-02**, establishing a policy that awards an employee who receives a COVID-19 vaccination 4 hours of vacation leave.

Comments provided by Mayor Crawford, Councilmember Magdoff and Councilmember Tidd.

Motion by Councilmember Sleiman to approve Resolution 2021-02 as presented and establish a policy that awards an employee who receives a COVID-19 vaccination an additional 4 hours of vacation leave. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

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Action Items Continued:

- b. Community Development Director Lori Barnett presented the Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV3) Food Security Program - Regional Collaboration Agreement between City of Wenatchee, City of East Wenatchee, Chelan Douglas Health District, and Serve Wenatchee Valley for the Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP).

Motion by Councilmember Magdoff to approve the Mayor to sign the Regional Collaboration Agreement for the Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP) with Serve Wenatchee Valley and other participating jurisdictions. Councilmember Sleiman seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- c. Community Development Director Lori Barnett presented a Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV3) Food Security Program - Regional Collaboration Agreement between City of Wenatchee, City of East Wenatchee, Chelan Douglas Health District, and Town Toyota Center for the Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP).

Motion by Councilmember Tidd to approve the Mayor to sign the Regional Collaboration Agreement for the Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP) with the Town Toyota Center and other participating jurisdictions. Councilmember Sterk seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- d. Community Development Director Lori Barnett presented a first amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement with the Chelan Douglas Regional Port Authority to extend the time of performance to December 31, 2021 for the Microenterprise Grant Program.

Comments provided by Councilmember Tidd and Mayor Crawford.

Motion by Councilmember Magdoff to approve a first amendment and authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment. Councilmember Sleiman seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

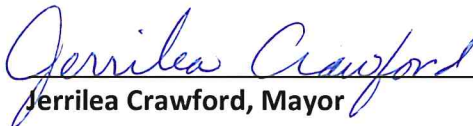
8. Council Reports & Announcements.

- a. Councilmember Tidd shared that the TSA in conjunction with President Biden mandated that it is now a requirement for transportation facilities to enforce the use of masks. Councilmember Tidd received this information from the Link Transit Board.
- b. Councilmember Sleiman invited the Council to the 'State of the Region: Cities' Zoom event which will take place on February 11, 2021, 8:00 a.m., Mayor Crawford will be one of the speakers/presenters.
- c. Mayor Crawford reported that the Chelan Douglas Transportation Council has extended an invitation to have a representative from the Coville Tribes on the board.

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- d. Mayor Crawford provided an update regarding the Chelan Douglas Health District's (CDHD) change in communication style/format. They have contracted with a public relations firm to serve as a centralized public information hub, with the goal of providing consistent and clear messaging to the community. This comes as the result of community members having issues finding information, scheduling vaccine appointments, etc.
- e. Project Development Manager Tom Wachholder shared a thanks to Natural Resource Specialist Garren Melton and informed Council that there is a newly posted project story map on the City's website for the 10th Street Reconstruction project from the Public Works Department. The story map is an interactive tool posted in English and Spanish which serves as an informative tool for the public. There is a virtual open house planned for this project soon.

9. **Adjournment. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.**



Jerrilea Crawford, Mayor

Attest:



Maria E. Holman, City Clerk

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