



East Wenatchee City Council Meeting Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

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
Rick Johnson, Police Chief
Lori Barnett, Community Development Director
Devin Poulson, City Attorney
Tom Wachholder, Project Development Manager
Sean Lewis, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Erik Hampton, Assistant Police Chief
Mary Beth Phillips, Court Administrator
Trina Elmes, Events Director/PIO
Garren Melton, Natural Resource Specialist
Maria Holman, City Clerk

6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Consent Items:

- a. 2021 City of East Wenatchee Title VI Standard Assurance Agreement.
- b. Date: 3/16/2021, Checks: 54744 - 54761; 54865 - 54903, in the amount of \$243,235.34.
- c. July 2018 Payroll Certification.
- d. 2/25/2021 Council Workshop Meeting Minutes.
- e. 3/2/2021 Council Meeting Minutes.

Comments provided by Councilmember Magdoff.

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

2. Citizen Requests/Comments. None.

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3. Public Hearings.

- a. Mayor Crawford opened the public hearing at 6:15 pm. to consider the Planning Commission recommendation of approval for ZTA 2020-02 amendments to EWMC chapters: 17.08 Definitions, 17.24 Residential Low Density District, 17.28 Residential Medium Density District, 17.32 Residential High Density/Office District, 17.34 Commercial Zoning District Land Use Matrix, 17.72 General Regulations, and 12.53 Driveways, Access Easement, Pedestrian Facilities, Walks and Trails. The public hearing closed at 6:27 pm., no public comment was received.

Community Development Director Lori Barnett provided a staff report.

Comments provided by Councilmember Magdoff and Councilmember Hepner.

- i. Mayor Crawford performed the first reading of **Ordinance 2021-05**, amending the following East Wenatchee Municipal Code chapters: 17.08 Definitions, 17.24 Residential Low Density District, 17.28 Residential Medium Density District, 17.32 Residential High Density/Office District, 17.34 Commercial Zoning District Land Use Matrix, 17.72 General Regulations.

Mayor Crawford suspended the second reading.

Motion by Councilmember Tidd to approve Ordinance 2021-05 as presented. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- ii. Mayor Crawford performed the first reading of **Ordinance 2021-06**, amending chapter 12.53 of the East Wenatchee Municipal Code regarding driveways and access easements, containing a severability clause, and establishing an effective date.

Mayor Crawford suspended the second reading.

Motion by Councilmember Sleiman to approve Ordinance 2021-06 as presented. Councilmember Hepner seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- b. Mayor Crawford opened the public hearing at 6:30 pm. to solicit comments regarding a proposal for the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th of one percent sales and use tax within the City to provide a funding source to address homelessness, affordable housing, mental health services, and housing related services in accordance with RCW 82.14.530.

Community Development Director Lori Barnett presented a staff report.

Monica Stewart, 3969 NE Vista Del Rey Drive, East Wenatchee, requested information from Community Development Director Lori Barnett.

Comments provided by Councilmember Hepner, City of Wenatchee's Grant Programs Coordinator Sandra Van Osten, City of Wenatchee's Community Development Director Glen DeVries, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Raab.

Comments submitted by Alan Walker of Chelan-Douglas Community Action Council in support of the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council via email that was read by Community Development Director Lori Barnett.

Comments submitted by Karen and Bruce Keleman, 326 N Kansas Ave, East Wenatchee, in support of the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council via email that was read by Community Development Director Lori Barnett.

Comments submitted by Jessica and Kevin Schell, 1552 Harrington Lane, East Wenatchee, in support of the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council.

Comments provided by Kristy L McGregor, 1430 Terrace Court, East Wenatchee, in support of the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council and offered suggestions of additional options for the program.

Comments provided by Linda Herald, City of Wenatchee Councilmember, 1913 Hideaway Place, Wenatchee, in support of the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council.

Comments provided by Ron Andrus, 1323 N Devon Ave, East Wenatchee, against the Councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council as he believes it should go to the people for a vote and not be implemented by the Council.

Comments provided by Becci Piepel, Solid Waste Director for Douglas County, 1826 Grant Road, East Wenatchee, in support of the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council.

Comments provided by Monica Stewart, 3969 NE Vista Del Rey, East Wenatchee in support of the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council.

Comments provided by Dan Hamilton, 4364 Anna Lane, East Wenatchee in support of the councilmanic imposition of a 1/10th by the City Council.

Mayor Crawford closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

- i. Mayor Crawford performed the first reading of **Ordinance 2021-04**, imposing an additional sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent for affordable housing and related services as authorized by RCW 82.14.530 by adding Chapter 4.12 to the East Wenatchee Municipal Code, providing for severability and establishing an effective date.

Mayor Crawford suspended the second reading of Ordinance 2021-04.

Motion by Councilmember Sleiman to approve Ordinance 2021-04 imposing an additional sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent. Councilmember Magdoff seconded the motion. Motion carried (5-2 Sterk, Johnson).

- c. Mayor Crawford opened the public hearing at 7:25 pm. to receive comments on the draft 2019 East Wenatchee Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The 2019 CAPER describes how the City used the CDBG funds during the 2019 program year. The public hearing closed at 7:29 pm., no public comment was received.

Community Development Director Lori Barnett presented a staff report.

- i. **Resolution 2021-05**, adopting the “City of East Wenatchee 2019 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report” in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations at 24 CFR Part 91, and establishing an effective date.

Motion by Councilmember Sleiman to approve Resolution 2021-05 adopting the City of East Wenatchee 2019 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report and to authorize the Mayor to sign all required HUD certifications. Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

4. Department Report.

- a. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Sean Lewis presented a City Attorney’s Office Council report.

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

- b. Police Chief Rick Johnson presented an East Wenatchee Police Department 2020 Annual Report.

Comments provided by Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Tidd, Councilmember Sterk, Councilmember Sleiman, Councilmember Magdoff and Councilmember Raab.

5. Mayor’s Report.

- a. Mayor Crawford provided a COVID-19 update. Douglas County is now in Phase 3 and that would allow City Hall to re-open to the public soon. Vaccinations are still highly encouraged in the community. The opening date will be communicated to the Council in the near future.
- b. Mayor Crawford provided a Strategic Plan update. Maul Foster has finished all interviews with staff and community partners. They will be presenting a preliminary report and recommendations for the Council at the next Council meeting which will take place on April 6, 2021.

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6. Action Items.

- a. Project Development Manager Tom Wachholder presented the RH2 Engineering Task Authorization No. 1 associated with additional stormwater and asphalt work in conjunction with the Douglas County Sewer District's Kentucky View Lift Station Phase II project.

Comments provided by Councilmember Hepner, Councilmember Johnson and Councilmember Magdoff.

Motion by Councilmember Johnson to authorize Mayor Crawford to execute the proposed 2021 RH2 Engineering Task Authorization No. 1. Councilmember Raab seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

- b. Assistant Police Chief Hampton and Sergeant Marshall presented information regarding an Axon company Taser program for the East Wenatchee Police Department.

Comments provided by Councilmember Tidd, Councilmember Magdoff, Mayor Crawford, Councilmember Raab, Police Chief Johnson and Councilmember Johnson.

Motion by Councilmember Tidd to authorize the Mayor to negotiate and enter into a 5-year agreement with Axon for tasers and taser related equipment for the EWPD for an amount not to exceed \$56,254.00. Councilmember Raab seconded the motion. Motion carried (7-0).

7. Council Reports & Announcements.

- a. Councilmember Tidd took advantage of being eligible to get the COVID-19 vaccine, and as soon as he learned he could get it made an appointment to get it.

8. Adjournment. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.


Jerrilea Crawford, Mayor

Attest:


Maria E. Holman, City Clerk

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