



City of Longview

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Minutes

City Council

Mayor MaryAlice Wallis
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Wallin
Council Member Ruth Kendall
Council Member Chet Makinster
Council Member Steve Moon
Council Member Christine Schott
Council Member Hillary Strobel

Thursday, December 10, 2020

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Wallis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **INVOCATION*/FLAG SALUTE**

20-000475 INVOCATION BY MARK SCHMUTZ OF NORTHLAKE CHURCH

After invocation provided by Mark Schmutz of Northlake Church, the flag salute was recited.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Wallis, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Makinster, Councilmember Strobel, Councilmember Moon, Councilmember Schott, Mayor Pro Tem Wallin

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager Kurt Sacha; Assistant City Attorney Stephen Shuman; City Clerk Kaylee Cody; Deputy City Clerk Kassi Mackie; Public Works Director Ken Hash; Community & Economic Development Director John Brickey; Interim Planning Manager Adam Trimble; Parks & Recreation Director Jen Wills; Fire Chief Jim Kambeitz; Interim Police Chief Robert Huhta; Library Director Chris Skaugset; Human Resources Director Chris Smith; and Administrative Services Director Kris Swanson.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

20-000506 NOVEMBER 12, 2020 WORKSHOP MINUTES
NOVEMBER 12, 2020 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 19, 2020 WORKSHOP MINUTES (6:00 P.M.)
NOVEMBER 19, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 19, 2020 WORKSHOP MINUTES (7:30 P.M.)
DECEMBER 1, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion duly made and passed, the reading of the minutes, copies of which had been submitted to the Mayor and members of the City Council, was waived and the minutes were approved as if read.

5. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

6. PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS

20-000521 OATH OF OFFICE - POLICE CHIEF ROBERT HUHTA

The Honorable Judge Hayes administered the Oath of Office to newly-appointed Police Chief Robert Huhta. Members of his family were in attendance to witness the occasion. A round of applause was extended to new Chief Huhta following the swearing-in. Chief Huhta gave a brief speech regarding the future of the City of Longview Police Department.

20-000501 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION: GIAN MORRELLI, COLUMBIA THEATRE DIRECTOR

A certificate of appreciation was presented to Gian Morelli, Columbia Theater Director. Mr. Morelli spoke about the Columbia Theater projects and incoming director.

20-000517 STAFF YEARS-OF-SERVICE AWARDS

MELODY WORTH (FINANCE) - 45 YEARS
STEVE COONS (FINANCE) - 35 YEARS
SCOTT MCDANIEL (POLICE) - 30 YEARS
JOHN BRICKEY (CED) - 30 YEARS

Human Resources Director Chris Smith and Administrative Services Director Kris Swanson presented the Years-of-Service Awards to Melody Worth and Steve Coons.

Police Chief Robert Huhta presented the Years-of-Service Award to Scott McDaniel.

City Manager Kurt Sacha presented the Years-of-Service Award to John Brickey.

Years-of-Service Award

7. CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS (Thirty Minutes)

Bill Josh of Longview provided public comment.

Tony Katzenberger of Longview provided public comment.

Michael O'Neill of Longview provided public comment.

Jon-Erik Hegstad of Longview provided public comment.

Joann Maynard of Longview provided public comment.

Paul Bryce of Longview provided public comment.

Teresa Purcell of Longview provided public comment.

Jeremiah Harrington of Longview provided public comment.

Scott Van Sickle of Longview provided public comment.

Alyssa Witrock of Longview provided public comment.

8. FOLLOW-UP TO PAST CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. BOARD & COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

20-000522 REVIEW OF FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAT MT. SOLO PLACE PHASE 1, FOR APPROVAL

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FINAL SUBDIVISION PLAT FOR MT. SOLO PLACE PHASE 1 BASED UPON THE APPLICATION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL IN THE LONGVIEW MUNICIPAL CODE.

A motion was made by Councilmember Moon, seconded by Councilmember Makinster, to approve the final subdivision plat for Mt. Solo Place Phase 1. The motion carried unanimously.

11. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

20-000507 ORDINANCE 3435: AMENDING THE 2019-2020 BIENNIAL BUDGET (1ST READING)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

NO ACTION REQUIRED - FIRST READING

20-000508 ORDINANCE 3436: ADOPTING THE 2021-2022 BIENNIAL BUDGET

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 3436 ADOPTING THE 2021-2022 BIENNIAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Wallin, seconded by Councilmember Moon, to adopt the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

20-000509 RESOLUTION 2342: ADOPTING 2021-2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2342 APPROVING THE 2021-2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF LONGVIEW.

A motion was made by Councilmember Strobel, seconded by Councilmember Kendall, to adopt the 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

20-000526 RESOLUTION NO. 2345 – WATER RATES FOR 2021

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2345.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Wallin, seconded by Councilmember Makinster, to adopt Resolution No. 2345. The motion carried unanimously.

20-000525 RESOLUTION NO. 2346 – SEWER RATES FOR 2021

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
MOTION ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO. 2346.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Wallin, seconded by Councilmember Schott, to adopt Resolution No. 2346. The motion carried unanimously.

12. MAYOR'S REPORT

13. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

20-000502 CREATING THE CITY OF LONGVIEW COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF PROGRAM

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
A MOTION, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTIONS TO PREPARE APPROPRIATE ORDINANCES AND OR RESOLUTIONS FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL TO PROVIDE B&O TAX AND UTILITY TAX RELIEF AND EXEMPTIONS TO THOSE LONGVIEW LOCATED BUSINESS WHICH HAVE BEEN DETRIMENTALLY AFFECTED, OR EXPERIENCED LOST INCOME, OR EXPERIENCED CLOSURE OR HAVE OTHERWISE BEEN HARMED BY COVID-19 AND GOVERNOR INSLEE'S PROCLAMATIONS AND ASSOCIATED RESTRICTIONS ON BUSINESS ACTIVITIES.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Wallin, seconded by Councilmember Moon, to direct the City Manager to take immediate actions to prepare appropriate ordinances and or resolutions for council approval to provide B&O tax and Utility Tax relief and exemptions to those Longview located business which have been detrimentally affected, or experienced lost income, or experienced closure or have otherwise been harmed by Covid-19 and Governor Inslee's proclamations and associated restrictions on business activities. The motion carried unanimously.

14. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was duly made and passed approving the items on the Consent Calendar as though acted on individually.

20-000513 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

**SECOND HALF NOVEMBER 2020 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
FIRST & SECOND HALF NOVEMBER 2020 PAYROLL**

20-000514 WASHINGTON WAY BRIDGE INTERFUND LOAN UPDATE

RECOMMENDED ACTION: NO ACTION REQUIRED

20-000524 BID REVIEW – 2021 CHEMICAL PURCHASES

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:
MOTION TO REJECT THE SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE BID FROM JCI JONES AND AWARD
CHEMICAL PURCHASE BIDS TO THE BIDDERS IDENTIFIED IN THE AGENDA SUMMARY.**

**20-000523 RESOLUTION NO. 2347 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH COWLITZ TRANSIT
AUTHORITY FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES-RIVERCITIES TRANSIT**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:
MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2347**

15. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**16. MISCELLANEOUS****17. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

*Kaylee Cody
City Clerk*

*Approved: _____
Mayor*

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NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020 -7:00 P.M. SPECIAL MEETING (DECEMBER 24TH
REGULAR MEETING CANCELLED DUE TO CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY)**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2021- 7:00 P.M.

NEXT COUNCIL WORKSHOPS:

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020- 6:00 P.M. SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH COWLITZ
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO DISCUSS HOSTED ENCAMPMENT PILOT
PROJECT**