



City of Longview

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Minutes

City Council

*Mayor MaryAlice Wallis
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Wallin
Council Member Ruth Kendall
Council Member Angie Wean
Council Member Spencer Boudreau
Council Member Hillary Strobel
Council Member Erik Halvorson*

Thursday, October 26, 2023

6:00 PM

2nd Floor, City Hall

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Wallis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **INVOCATION*/FLAG SALUTE**

After the invocation provided by Matt Carnahan of Love Inc., the flag salute was recited.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Wallis, Mayor Pro Tem Wallin, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Strobel (on-line), Councilmember Boudreau, Councilmember Ortiz

Staff Present: City Manager Kris Swanson, City Attorney Dana Gigler, City Clerk Tiffany Ostreim, Deputy

City Clerk Kelly Jensen, Public Works Director Ken Hash, Assistant City Manager Ann Rivers, Parks & Recreation Director Jen Wills, Fire Chief Jim Kambeitz, Police Chief Robert Huhta, Assistant Public Works Director Chris Collins, Human Resources Director Sabrina Fraidenburg

4. **WORKSHOP**

23-001621 2024 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA - GORDON THOMAS HONEYWELL (TIME ESTIMATE 60 MINUTES)

Josh Weiss and Annika Vaughn, State Lobbyists with Gordon Thomas Honeywell Government Relations presented.

Council discussed the presentation and potential capital budget requests, operating budget requests, transportation budget requests, and policy requests. Additional modifications and discussion will be made to the legislative agenda.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

The workshop concluded and Mayor Wallis recessed the meeting for five minutes at 7:20 p.m. Mayor Wallis reconvened the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

23-001481 OCTOBER 12, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Wean, to approve the October 12, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

7. **PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS**

23-001578 AFFORDABLE HOUSING - HOSWWA (TIME ESTIMATE 30 MINUTES)

Assistant City Manager Ann Rivers introduced Jennifer Westerman, CEO of Housing Opportunities of SW Washington (HOSWWA) who made the presentation.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wallin, seconded by Councilmember Strobel, to direct staff to draft an interlocal agreement with HOSWWA.

Keenan Harvey provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Mike Pederson provided public comment.

Assistant City Manager Ann Rivers spoke about the challenges of code enforcement for property maintenance. Working on derelict/nuisance property and absentee landlord ordinances.

Jason Still provided public comment.

The motion carried unanimously.

8. **CONSTITUENTS' COMMENTS (Thirty Minutes)**

Kayla Stephens provided public comment.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Rayleen Aguirre provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

Mike Pederson provided public comment.

Larry Crosby provided public comment.

Shannon Gilman provided public comment.

*Chuck Wallace provided public comment.
Aliza Mooney provided public comment.*

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

23-001632 PUBLIC HEARING – AMEND THE 2024 - 2029 SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN (TIP) AND RIVERCITIES TRANSIT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS (POP)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

CONDUCT THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2465.

*Public Works Director Ken Hash presented.
Council discussed the presentation.*

A motion was made by Councilmember Wean, seconded by Councilmember Boudreau, to amend the amendment to the 2024-2029 Six Year Transportation Plan and Rivercities Transit Program of Projects and remove the 7th Avenue & Douglas Roundabout and Washington Way/Nichols/26th Roundabout, and 14th Avenue. Council discussed the motion.

*Public Works Director Ken Hash and Assistant Public Works Director Chris Collins provided information.
The public hearing was opened at 9:08 p.m.
Jason Still provided public comment.
The public hearing was closed at 9:10 p.m.*

The motion to amend the amendment failed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Boudreau, Councilmember Wean and Councilmember Wallin

Nays: Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Ortiz, Councilmember Strobel and Mayor Wallis

A motion was made by Councilmember Boudreau, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz, to adopt Resolution No. 2465 amending the 2024-2029 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) and Rivercities Transit Program (POP). The motion carried unanimously.

10. BOARD & COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

23-001628 MT. SOLO PLACE PHASE 3B & 4 FINAL PLATS

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION TO CONSIDER THE FINAL PLAT APPLICATION FOR MT. SOLO PLACE PHASE 3B AND 4 FOR APPROVAL

Community Development Planner Mac Kosar presented. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval.

A motion was made by Councilmember Boudreau, seconded by Councilmember Kendall, to approve Planning Commission recommendation to consider the final plat application for Mt. Solo Place Phase 3B and 4 for approval. The motion carried unanimously.

23-001629 5824 OCEAN BEACH HIGHWAY REZONE

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL

FOR REZONE OF 5824 OCEAN BEACH HWY AND DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE FOR THE ZONING DESIGNATION

Community Development Planner Mac Kosar presented. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Boudreau, to approve Planning Commission recommendation of approval for rezone of 5824 Ocean Beach Hwy and direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for the zoning designation. The motion carried unanimously.

23-001631 636 CALIFORNIA WAY CODE AMENDMENT**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO APPROVE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION TO PERMIT MULTIFAMILY IN THE MIXED-USE COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL (MUCI) ZONE AS SPECIAL PROPERTY USE (SPU) AND DIRECT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING LMC 19.58.

Councilmember Wallin excused himself from participating on the agenda item on the appearance of fairness. Councilmember Wallin left the Council Chambers and returned after the vote.

Community Development Planner Mac Kosar presented. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and approved.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wean, seconded by Councilmember Strobel, to approve Planning Commission recommendation to permit Multifamily in the Mixed-Use Commercial/Industrial (MUCI) Zone as Special Property Use (SPU) and direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance amending LMC 19.58.

Jason Still provided public comment.

The motion carried unanimously.

23-001638 THIRD ROUND NEIGHBORHOOD PARK GRANT APPLICATION**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO APPROVE THE THIRD ROUND OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD PARK GRANT PROGRAM FOR FUNDING

Parks and Recreation Director Jen Wills presented.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wean, seconded by Councilmember Boudreau, to approve the third round of the Neighborhood Park Grant Program for funding. The motion carried unanimously.

11. ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**23-001633 ORDINANCE NO. 3496 – ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AMENDING CHAPTER 14.04, “STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR PUBLIC WORKS.”****RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3496

Public Works Director Ken Hash presented.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz, to adopt Ordinance No. 3496. The motion carried unanimously.

12. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wallis provided a report.

13. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

*Councilmember Ortiz provided a report.
Councilmember Kendall provided a report.
Councilmember Boudreau provided a report.
Councilmember Wean provided a report.*

14. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Agenda item for the bid review of the Downtown Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons contained a scrivener's error. The low bid was Mill Plain Electric Inc.

A motion was made by Councilmember Boudreau, seconded by Councilmember Kendall, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

23-001611 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**23-001634 BID REVIEW – DOWNTOWN RECTANGULAR RAPID FLASHING BEACONS****RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID AND AWARD TO MILL PLAIN ELECTRIC INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,045,388.50.

23-001636 REQUEST TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2023 FOR THE 2022 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) REQUIRED BY HUD.**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2023 FOR THE 2022 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT (CAPER) REQUIRED BY HUD.

23-001639 ORDINANCE NO. 3497 AND ORDINANCE NO. 3498 ZONING AND ANNEXATION OF A SINGLE PARCEL ON RUTHERGLEN ROAD**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3497 AND ORDINANCE NO. 3498

15. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**23-001622 HUMANE SOCIETY UPDATE**

*Police Chief Robert Huhta presented.
A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.*

City Manager Kris Swanson announced the upcoming Council meetings and Workshops/Training. The City of Longview is preparing a grant submission for EV charging program through the Washington State Department of Commerce.

16. MISCELLANEOUS**17. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

23-001482 EXECUTIVE SESSION PER RCW 42.30.110(1)(G) TO REVIEW THE PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE

The City Council as present at roll-call, City Manager Kris Swanson, City Attorney Dana Gigler, Human Resources Director Sabrina Fraidenburg entered Executive Session at 10:33 p.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee for a period of 10 minutes. At 10:43 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. No decisions were made.

Open Session

Mayor Wallis called the regular meeting back to order at 10:43 p.m. The City Council as present at roll-call returned from Executive Session.

A motion was made by Mayor Wallis, seconded by Councilmember Wean to award City Manager Kris Swanson a step increase effective March 1, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmember Wean, Councilmember Wallin, Councilmember Strobel, Councilmember Kendall, Councilmember Ortiz, Mayor Wallis

Nays: Councilmember Boudreau

18. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 p.m.

*Tiffany Ostreim
City Clerk*

*Approved: _____
Mayor*

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NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023 - 6:00 P.M. (NOVEMBER 9, 2023 CANCELLED)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023 - 6:00 P.M.. (NOVEMBER 23, 2023 CANCELLED)

NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOPS:

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023 – 9:00 A.M. - COUNCIL STRATEGIC & OPERATIONAL TRAINING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023 - 5:00 P.M. - UTILITY RATES

NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.