



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 12, 2023

6:00 PM

2nd Floor, City Hall

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Wallis called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. **INVOCATION*/FLAG SALUTE**

After the invocation provided by Larry Russell of Shekinah Christian Center, 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, Fire Chief Jim Kambeitz, Police Chief Robert Huhta, Assistant Public Works Director Chris Collins, Human Resources Director Sabrina Fraidenburg, Community Development Planner Mac Kosar

4. **WORKSHOP**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

23-001557 SEPTEMBER 28, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilmember Kendall, seconded by Councilmember Boudreau, to approve the September 28, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Councilmember Wean requested, prior to Constituent Comments and after Presentations and Awards, to allow conversation on the Vandercook Park Restroom Project. Council concurred.

7. **PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS**

23-001502 PROCLAMATION - DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ACTION MONTH - OCTOBER 2023

RECIPIENT: JILL MATHEWS, EMERGENCY SUPPORT SHELTER MANAGER

Mayor Wallis presented the proclamation to Jill Mathews and Tammy Brown, who accepted on behalf of Emergency Support Shelter.

23-001503 PROCLAMATION - PRO BONO WEEK OCTOBER 22-28, 2023

RECIPIENT: STEVE MADSEN, COWLITZ WAHKIAKUM LEGAL AID

Mayor Wallis presented the proclamation to Steve Madsen, who accepted on behalf of Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Legal Aid.

23-001556 LONGVIEW 100 YEAR MONUMENT - JH KELLY

Abe Ott, JH Kelly, presented.

Vandercook Park Restroom Project

Councilmember Wean requested Public Works review the Vandercook Park Restroom project. Wants opportunity to hear community feedback including security - locking mechanism, lighting, and location. Council discussed pausing the project in order to receive community feedback.

Public Works Director Ken Hash and Assistant Public Works Director Chris Collins agreed the project could be paused.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Sylvia Watson provided public comment.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

Council concurred to pause the Vandercook Park Restroom project and re-evaluate after opportunity to hear community feedback.

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

Mike Pederson provided public comment.

Sarah Curtis provided public comment.

City Manager Swanson spoke on the continuous recruitment process in the Police Department.

A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.

Shannon Gilman provided public comment.

Derek Fine provided public comment.

*Jeff Wilson provided public comment.
Jason Still provided public comment.
Randy Knox provided public comment.
Chuck Wallace provided public comment.
Erik Halvorson provided public comment.
Victoria, last name unstated, provided public comment.*

9. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

23-001558 PROPOSED ANNEXATION – SINGLE PARCEL OFF RUTHERGLEN RD (PARCEL WL2507010, SANDAKER)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PETITION, DIRECT CITY ATTORNEY TO CREATE AN ANNEXATION AND ZONING ORDINANCE

Community Development Planner Mac Kosar presented.

*Mayor Wallis opened the public hearing at 7:14 p.m.
Jason Still provided public comment.
Mayor Wallis closed the public hearing at 7:17 p.m.*

A motion was made by Councilmember Wean, seconded by Councilmember Boudreau, to approve the petition and direct the City Attorney to create an annexation and zoning ordinance. The motion carried unanimously.

10. **BOARD & COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS**

11. **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

23-001582 ORDINANCE NO. 3495 AMENDING CHAPTER 7.29 OF THE LMC REGARDING CAMPING AND STORAGE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN PUBLIC PLACES

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 3495 TO AMEND LMC 7.29 TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE REGARDING RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, PROCESS FOR REVIEW AND RENEWAL OF PERMITS AND COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW

City Manager Kris Swanson presented.

City Attorney Dana Gigler clarified ESHB 1220, codified in RCW 35A.21.430 and definition of transitional housing.

Council discussed the presentation.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wean, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz, to adopt Ordinance No. 3495 to amend LMC 7.29 to include additional language regarding religious organizations, process for review and renewal of permits and compliance with state law.

Councilmember Boudreau proposed an Amendment. Amendment 1 would be to amend the proposed change under Timing, Section 4 to require a City Council vote to continue or waive the 365 day limit instead of the Director of Community Development. Amendment 2 would add a Line Item 9 under Health and Safety to require transitional housing under this to meet International Building Code Standards.

City Manager Swanson explained tents aren't regulated by IBC and wouldn't apply.

Fire Chief Kambeitz explained temporary membrane structures in the Fire Code. Permits and

regulations are required if over 400 square feet but exempts camping tents. RCW 35.21.915 includes small houses which is consistent with pallet shelters.
The Amendment failed for lack of a second.

Keenan Harvey provided public comment.
Jason Still provided public comment.
City Manager Swanson explained the WAC provides exemptions for indigent housing guidelines.
A citizen, name unstated, provided public comment.
Jason Still provided public comment.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays: Councilmember Boudreau.

12. MAYOR'S REPORT

23-001594 LETTER OF SUPPORT TO SOUTHWEST CLEAN AIR AGENCY FOR DIVERT

Mayor Wallis requested Council concurrence on two letters.
Council concurred with the letter of support to Southwest Clean Air Agency for Divert.

23-001595 LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH SALES TAX

Council concurred with the letter of support for Mental Health sales tax.

13. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

Councilmember Kendall provided a report.
Councilmember Boudreau provided a report.
Councilmember Wean provided a report.
Councilmember Wallin provided a report.

14. CONSENT CALENDAR

Assistant Public Works Director Chris Collins presented information on the Mint Valley Golf Course Driving Range Pole Replacement.

A motion was made by Councilmember Strobel, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz, to approve the Consent Calendar.

Jason Still provided public comment.
Chuck Wallace provided public comment.
The motion carried unanimously.

23-001554 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

23-001520 RESOLUTION NO. 2462 - REGIONAL WATER TREATMENT PLANT PARTICIPANTS AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2462 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE REGIONAL WATER TREATMENT PLANT PARTICIPANTS AGREEMENT

23-001552 RESOLUTION NO. 2463 – INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH COWLITZ PUD FOR MINT VALLEY GOLF COURSE DRIVING RANGE POLE REPLACEMENT

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2463 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO

SIGN THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH COWLITZ PUD FOR MINT VALLEY GOLF COURSE DRIVING RANGE POLE REPLACEMENT.

15. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

23-001579 2024 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

City Manager Kris Swanson presented.

Council discussed requests for capital, operating and transportation.

Assistant Public Works Director Chris Collins provided information on the Direct Fill Line.

Council discussed removal of some projects that require more community outreach.

Chief Kambeitz provided information on a heavy rescue vehicle. Council concurred to add the request to the list.

Council discussed policy priorities.

Jason Still provided public comment.

The legislative agenda will continue to be refined and the city's lobbyists from Gordon Thomas Honeywell will give a presentation October 26, 2023.

23-001581 HOPE VILLAGE REPORT

Hollie Hillman and Sandra Schmaltz, Salvation Army, presented the report on Hope Village.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wallin, seconded by Councilmember Wean, to bring back a renewal contract with Salvation Army for one year.

Jason Still provided public comment.

Mike Pederson provided public comment.

Hollie provided public comment.

Sarah Curtis provided public comment.

City Manager Swanson explained grant opportunities.

Mike Pederson provided public comment.

Shannon Gilman provided public comment.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays: Councilmember Boudreau

23-001586 RESOLUTION NO. 2464 – EMERGENCY DECLARATION OF WELL NUMBER 3 PUMP AND MOTOR REPAIR AT THE MINT FARM REGIONAL WATER TREATMENT PLANT

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2464.

Assistant Public Works Director Chris Collins presented.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ortiz, seconded by Councilmember Boudreau, to adopt Resolution No. 2464.

Chuck Wallace provided public comment.

Mike Pederson provided public comment.

The motion carried unanimously.

16. MISCELLANEOUS

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

23-001555 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, and Human Resources Director Sabrina Fraidenburg entered Executive Session at 9:54 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 10:05 p.m. all parties came out of Executive Session. No decisions were made.

18. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

*Tiffany Ostreim
City Clerk*

*Approved: _____
Mayor*

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NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS:

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

NEXT SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS:

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

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

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