



MINUTES

RICHLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

**Richland City Hall ~ Council Chambers
625 Swift Boulevard**

City Council Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

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

Welcome and Roll Call

Mayor Alvarez welcomed those in the audience and expressed appreciation for their attendance.

Attendance: Mayor Alvarez and Councilmembers Jones, Kent, Lukson and VanDyke were present. Mayor Pro Tem Christensen and Councilmember Richardson were absent.

COUNCILMEMBER KENT MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION TO EXCUSE MAYOR PRO TEM CHRISTENEN AND COUNCILMEMBER RICHARDSON. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Also present were City Manager Amundson, Deputy City Manager Schiessl, Assistant City Manager Florence, City Attorney Kintzley, Chief of Police Clary, Fire Chief Huntington, Development Services Director Jensen, Public Works Director Rogalsky, Energy Services Director Whitney, Human Resources Director Paulsen and City Clerk Rogers.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Alvarez led the Council and audience in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

COUNCILMEMBER LUKSON MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER KENT SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PUBLISHED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Presentations

1. Richland Police Department Partnerships with Local Businesses

Chief of Police Clary provided background on the collaborative effort between the Richland Police Department and several local businesses for three (3) patrol vehicle wraps. Two (2) vehicles are wrapped in a pink design in support of breast cancer awareness, and one (1) vehicle is wrapped in a purple design in support of domestic violence awareness. Chief Clary also spoke about the Pink Patch Project in support of breast cancer awareness. October is Breast Cancer Awareness month and Domestic Violence Awareness month. The vehicle wraps have been positively received by the

community.

City Manager Amundson spoke positively of the engagement between the Richland Police Department and the business community, invited Council to step outside to view the wrapped vehicles. A brief intermission was held between 6:07 p.m. to 6:14 p.m.

2. Friends of Badger Mountain

Sharon Grant, Friends of Badger Mountain (FOBM) board member and co-founder, introduced the non-profit organization by sharing its founding story, mission and goals. FOBM's purpose is to preserve land designated as open space for non-motorized public use. Ms. Grant thanked the City for its support and partnership in pursuing trail connectivity. Ms. Grant gave reference materials to City Clerk Rogers to disseminate to Council. Additional information is available in the agenda packet.

Council engaged in a question-and-answer session with Ms. Grant and thanked her for the presentation.

3. Catholic Charities Serving Central Washington

Kendra Palomarez, the Tri-Cities Director of Catholic Charities Serving Central Washington, shared information relating to the creation of the organization, which is a non-profit licensed community mental health agency. Ms. Palomarez provided a high-level overview of the programs, resources, and services offered to the community, and shared reference materials with City Clerk Rogers to disseminate to Council. Additional information is available in the agenda packet.

Council engaged in a question-and-answer session with Ms. Palomarez and thanked her for the presentation.

4. New Hires & Retirements

A video featuring the new hires for the month of September was played for the audience. The City acknowledged Lisa Adams' retirement after serving forty (40) years with the Richland Public Library.

Public Hearing

City Clerk Rogers read the Public Hearing and Public Comments procedures.

5. Proposed Surplus of Property and Equipment, Resolution No. 2022-123

Mayor Alvarez opened and closed the public hearing at 6:44 P.m. No testimony was offered.

Public Comments

None.

Consent Calendar

City Clerk Rogers read the Consent Calendar.

COUNCILMEMBER KENT MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PUBLISHED. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Minutes

6. Approval of the September 20, 2022 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Ordinances - First Reading

7. Ordinance No. 2022-36, Amending Richland Municipal Code Section 12.08.010 related to the Definition of Right-of-Way

Ordinances - Second Reading & Passage

8. Ordinance No. 2022-29, Amending the Richland Municipal Code related to Position and Department Titles

Resolutions - Adoption

9. Resolution No. 2022-120, Authorizing an Exception to Resolution No. 28-11 Regarding Traffic Calming for Broadmoor Street
10. Resolution No. 2022-121, Authorizing a Purchase and Sales Agreement with New Heights Church for 350 Thayer Drive
11. Resolution No. 2022-122, Authorizing a Grant Application to the Washington State Department of Commerce for an Industrial Site Readiness Grant
12. Resolution No. 2022-124, Authorizing a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Friends of Badger Mountain
13. Resolution No. 2022-125, Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Benton for Railroad Maintenance
14. Resolution No. 2022-126, Rejecting All Bids for the Richland Community Center Lobby Remodel Project

Items - Approval

None.

Items of Business

15. Resolution No. 2022-123, Approving the Surplus and Sale of Property and Equipment

Irma Bottineau, the City's Purchasing Manager, provided an overview of the property and equipment surplus procedures as outlined in Chapter 3.08 of the Richland Municipal Code. Items recommended for surplus are provided in Exhibit A of Resolution No. 2022-123.

COUNCILMEMBER LUKSON MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER KENT SECONDED THE MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-123, APPROVING THE SURPLUS AND SALE OF PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT AS PROVIDED THEREIN. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Reports and Comments

City Manager

City Manager Amundson had no comments.

City Council

Councilmember VanDyke requested City Manager Amundson create and make available to the public at a later date a summary of the non-profit organizations that have presented to Council in 2022.

Councilmember Jones concurred with Councilmember VanDyke's suggestion.

Councilmember Lukson thanked City Manager Amundson and Police Chief Clary for the creativity associated with the Breast Cancer Awareness and Domestic Violence Awareness police vehicle wraps.

Councilmember Kent agreed with statements made by Councilmember Lukson and related to the police vehicle wraps. Councilmember Kent then shared that she attended the Elected Officials Reception jointly hosted by the Tri-City Regional Chamber of Commerce and the local Home Builders Association. Councilmember Kent thanked both agencies for hosting the event, which provides an opportunity for community members to meet elected officials.

Mayor

Mayor Alvarez had no comments.

Adjournment

Mayor Alvarez adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

APPROVED:



Michael Alvarez, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

DATE APPROVED: October 18, 2022

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