



MINUTES

RICHLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Richland City Hall ~ 505 Swift Boulevard

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

Pre-Meeting:

Mayor Thompson called the pre-meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room in the City Hall Annex building.

Attendance:

Mayor Thompson, Mayor Pro Tem Christensen, Councilmembers Rose, Lemley, Anderson, Kent and Luzzo Gilmour were present.

Also present were City Manager Reents, Assistant City Manager Amundson and City Attorney Kintzley.

Agenda Items:

1. Closed Session per RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) to Discuss SEWTG Labor Negotiations
- Jon Amundson, Assistant City Manager

The closed session discussion was held for 15 minutes.

Community Development Director Jensen, Economic Development Manager Ratkai and City Clerk Hopkins joined the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

2. Inland Seaport Facilities
- Zach Ratkai, Economic Development Manager

Mr. Ratkai gave a briefing on the feasibility of an inland seaport facility including: the need for such a facility, how the City would benefit, where it would be located, the stakeholders interest and what responsibilities the City may need to consider regarding the facility.

3. Discussion of Council Meeting Agenda Items

Council and staff briefly reviewed the proposed agenda scheduled for the regular meeting.

Regular Meeting:

Mayor Thompson called the Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

Welcome and Roll Call:

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

Mayor Thompson, Mayor Pro Tem Christensen, Councilmembers Rose, Lemley, Anderson, Kent and Luzzo Gilmour were present.

Also present were City Manager Reents, Assistant City Manager Amundson, City Attorney Kintzley, Fire and Emergency Services Director Huntington, Community Development Director Jensen, Administrative Services Director Koch, Public Works Director Rogalsky, Parks and Public Facilities Director Schiessl, Police Services Director Skinner, Energy Services Director Hammond and City Clerk Hopkins.

Pledge of Allegiance:

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

Approval of Agenda:

COUNCILMEMBER LEMLEY MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER LUZZO GILMOUR SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PUBLISHED. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Presentations:

1. New Hire/Retirements
 - Allison Jubb, Human Resources Director

Ms. Jubb said Owe Berg, General Crafts Worker, retired after 25 years of service. She introduced new hires Shelly Horton, Accounting Specialist and Jordon Roberts, Electrical Engineer and gave their backgrounds.

Public Comments:

City Clerk Hopkins read the public comments procedure.

Phyllis Strickler, 1015 McPherson Avenue, Richland, WA, expressed her appreciation for how well the City has done with snow removal due to the recent extreme weather conditions.

Samantha Sullivan, 69 Jadwin Avenue, Apt. No. 59, Richland, WA, reported that it was very icy around the recycling bins in the Uptown Shopping Center parking and wanted the City to address the problem.

Consent Calendar:

City Clerk Hopkins read the Consent Calendar.

Minutes:

1. Approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting Held December 20, 2016
 - Heather Kintzley, City Attorney

Ordinances - Second Reading/Passage:

2. Ordinance No. 70-16, Approving the 2020 Council Compensation Plan
 - Cathleen Koch, Administrative Services Director

Resolutions – Adoption:

3. Resolution No. 10-17, Awarding Bid to Premier Excavation for the Logan Street and Hagen Road Construction Project
- Pete Rogalsky, Public Works Director
4. Resolution No. 11-17, Authorizing a Consultant Agreement with Gray and Osborne, Inc. for Wastewater Treatment Facility Influent Upgrades Project
- Pete Rogalsky, Public Works Director
5. Resolution No. 13-17, Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Benton for the Logan Road Improvement Project
- Kerwin Jensen, Community Development Director

Items for Approval:

6. Authorize Travel for Mayor Thompson
- Cindy Reents, City Manager

Expenditures - Approval:

7. Expenditures from December 12, 2016 - December 23, 2016 for \$4,473,479.56 including Check Nos. 240566-240944, Wire Nos. 6317-6322, Payroll Check Nos. 113771-114267, and Payroll Wire/ACH Nos. 9725-9741
- Cathleen Koch, Administrative Services Director

COUNCILMEMBER KENT MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER LEMLEY SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PUBLISHED. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

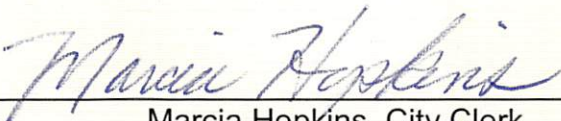
Reports and Comments:

1. City Manager Reents said the City uses a priority based system for snow removal that is posted on the City website. She said the City is responding as quickly as possible to the snow removal needs of the City.
2. Mayor Thompson and the Councilmembers expressed their best wishes to the citizens for a safe and happy new year.

Adjournment:

Mayor Thompson adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Marcia Hopkins, City Clerk

FORM APPROVED:



Robert J. Thompson, Mayor

DATE APPROVED:

2/7/17

DATE PUBLISHED:

2/14/17
