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RICHLAND CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

Zoom - Public Telephone Access: (206) 337-9723 or (253) 215-8782

Meeting ID No. 505 625 7380

City Council Workshop - 6:00 p.m. via Zoom

Mayor Lukson called the remote Council workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance: Mayor Lukson, Mayor Pro Tem Kent and Councilmembers Alvarez, Boring, Christensen, Lemley and Thompson.

Also present were Interim City Manager Amundson, City Attorney Kintzley, Public Works Director Rogalsky, Development Services Director Jensen, Parks & Public Facilities Director Schiessl, Energy Services Director Whitney and City Clerk Rogers.

Agenda Items

1 Water System Resiliency Evaluation

Public Works Director Rogalsky provided an overview of the America's Water Infrastructure Act and presented on the City's recently completed Water System Risk and Resiliency Assessment.

Councilmember Boring requested to receive budget proposal information related to the recommended follow-up action items.

2 Setting Prices for Horn Rapids Industrial Park, Horn Rapids Business Center and Horn Rapids Commercial Plaza

Interim City Manager Amundson provided a brief overview of the purpose of this agenda item, then invited Development Services Director Jensen to provide additional information.

Development Services Director Jensen presented on current market appraisal values for City-owned property located in the Horn Rapids Industrial Park, Horn Rapids Business Center and Commercial Plaza as provided by Valbridge Property Advisors.

Staff briefed Council on the current appraisal process established by Resolution No. 158-18, then introduced recommended alternatives for land sale pricing and selection of appraisal firms for Council consideration.

Council and staff discussion ensued during Mr. Jensen's presentation. Council further discussed the current appraisal process and proposed changes to the procedure moving forward.

Interim City Manager Amundson recommended obtaining an immediate second appraisal for future price determinations. In the interim, if there is an interest to purchase property, a resolution can be passed to approve the sale. Staff and Council will have an opportunity to revisit the proposals if a discrepancy between the two appraisals are identified. Council agreed with the recommendation.

3. Lee Boulevard Dock Facility Use Agreement (FUA) for Cruise Boats

Parks & Public Facilities Director Schiessl presented on the Lee Boulevard Dock construction, intended use, various vessels that frequent the dock, and economic benefits associated with the presence of the cruise line agencies in Richland.

Staff provided an overview of the approved American Cruise Lines (ACL), Inc. FUA, adding that the FUA secured Richland as an ACL port of call along the Columbia River. Staff then addressed comments previously provided by American Queen Steamboat Company (AQSC) regarding the ACL FUA. P&PF Director Schiessl provided information on ACL's anticipated intent to construct a second dock at Tract D in Columbia Point, which aligns with the City's strategic goals surrounding economic development and promotion of the cruise industry for local benefit.

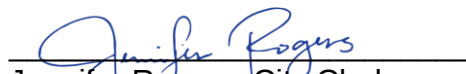
Council and staff engaged in conversation regarding the ACL FUA and docking permissions for other cruise line agencies, including a recommendation, if possible, that ACL work with AQSC to schedule bookings 2-3 years in advance.

Adjournment

Mayor Lukson adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:


Ryan Lukson, Mayor
Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

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