



MINUTES

RICHLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

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

Meeting ID No. 505 625 7380

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

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

Welcome and Roll Call

Mayor Lukson welcomed those attending the remote meeting and expressed appreciation for their attendance.

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

Also remotely present were Interim City Manager Amundson, City Attorney Kintzley, Fire Chief Huntington, Chief of Police Bruce, Public Works Director Rogalsky, Parks & Public Facilities Director Schiessl, Development Services Director Jensen, Energy Services Director Whitney, Interim Administrative Services Director Florence, Finance Director Allen, Human Resources Manager Paulsen, and City Clerk Rogers.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members of Girl Scout Troop No. 2032 led the Council and audience in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Brian Newberry, Chief Executive Officer of the Girl Scouts of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, thanked City Council for allowing Troop No. 2032 to lead the pledge of allegiance, and announced that Troop No. 2032 ranked second in the country for cookie sales. Mr. Newberry thanked the City for its support of the Girl Scouts.

Approval of Agenda

COUNCILMEMBER CHRISTENSEN MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER BORING SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PUBLISHED. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Presentations

1 Proclamation Recognizing Extra Mile Day

Mayor Lukson read aloud a proclamation declaring November 1, 2021 to be *Extra Mile Day* in the City of Richland.

2. Tri-Cities Regional Hotel-Motel Commission Annual Budget and Marketing Plan

With the aid of a PowerPoint presentation, Michael Novakovich, Visit Tri-Cities President & CEO, presented the 2022 Tri-Cities Regional Hotel-Motel Commission (TCRHMC) Annual Budget and Marketing Plan. Details of the presentation are available in the materials provided by Mr. Novakovich.

Councilmember Lemley thanked Mr. Novakovich and Karl Dye, President & CEO of Tri-City Development Council (TRIDEC), for hosting a recent event at Brookwalter Winery.

Mayor Lukson shared that he had recently met tourists from New York at a local winery as a result of the Visit Tri-Cities marketing plan efforts.

Public Hearing

City Clerk Rogers read the public hearing and public comment procedures.

3. Proposed 2022 Revenue Sources Including Property Tax, Ordinance Nos. 34-21 and 35-21

Finance Director Allen presented on the proposed 2022 revenue sources, including property tax, as outlined in Ordinance Nos. 34-21 and 35-21.

Mayor Lukson opened and closed the public hearing at 6:36 p.m. No public testimony was offered.

4. Approving Amendments to the 2021 Budget, Ordinance No. 36-21

Finance Director Allen presented on proposed amendments to the 2021 Budget as outlined in Ordinance No. 36-21.

Mayor Lukson opened and closed the public hearing at 6:38 p.m. No testimony was offered.

5. Proposed Surplus of Property and Equipment, Resolution No. 124-21

Interim Administrative Services Director Florence presented a list of items surplus to the City's needs as outlined in Resolution No. 124-21. Council engaged in a question and answer session with staff.

Mayor Lukson opened and closed the public hearing at 6:41 p.m. No public testimony was offered.

Public Comments

None.

Consent Calendar

City Clerk Rogers read the Consent Calendar.

COUNCILMEMBER CHRISTENSEN MOVED AND COUNCILMEMBER ALVAREZ SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PUBLISHED. THOSE IN FAVOR: MAYOR LUKSON AND COUNCILMEMBERS ALVAREZ, BORING, CHRISTENSEN, LEMLEY AND THOMPSON. THOSE OPPOSED: NONE. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Minutes

6. Approval of the October 5, 2021 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Ordinances - First Reading

7. Ordinance No. 34-21, Approving the 2022 Ad Valorem Tax and Property Tax Levies
8. Ordinance No. 35-21, Approving a Change to the 2022 Ad Valorem Tax over the Prior Year
9. Ordinance No. 36-21, Approving Amendments to the 2021 Budget

Ordinances - Second Reading & Passage

10. Ordinance No. 29-21, Approving the Links Residence at Horn Rapids Planned Unit Development
11. Ordinance No. 30-21, Providing for the Sale of 2021 Electric Revenue Bonds
12. Ordinance No. 31-21, Amending Chapter 2.24 RMC related to Bonds for Officers and Employees
13. Ordinance No. 32-21, Amending Richland Municipal Code Title 23 and the Official Zoning Map to Rezone 260 and 230 Bradley Boulevard
14. Ordinance No. 33-21, Authorizing a Franchise Agreement with USCOC of Richland, Inc. d/b/a U.S. Cellular

Resolutions – Adoption

15. Resolution No. 116-21, Restating Retirement Health Savings Plan No. 800205 and Affirming Prior Actions for Plan Nos. 800196 and 800205
16. Resolution No. 123-21, Adopting the 2022 Clean Energy Implementation Plan, Conservation Potential Assessment and Demand Response Potential Assessment

17. Resolution No. 124-21, Approving the Sale of Surplus Property and Equipment
18. Resolution No. 125-21, Authorizing Amendment No. 5 to the Consultant Agreement with RLR Cultural Resources, LLC for the Columbia Park Trail East Improvements Project
19. Resolution No. 126-21, Authorizing the Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds
20. Resolution No. 127-21, Authorizing a Consultant Agreement with Critical Insight, Inc for Cybersecurity Assessment Services

Items - Approval

None.

Expenditures - Approval

21. Expenditures from September 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021 for \$36,130,314.30 including Travel Check Nos. 20015-20041, Accounts Payable Check Nos. 293071-294092, Accounts Payable Wire Nos. 8720- 8759, Payroll Wires & ACH Nos. 12285-12356, Payroll Direct Deposit & Check Nos. 183254-184918 and Pension Check Nos. 5942-5968.

Items of Business

None.

Reports and Comments

City Manager

Interim City Manager Amundson provided an overview of the October 27, 2021 City Council workshop agenda, and announced that Recreation staff will host a *Ghouls at the Pool* haunted house event at George Prout Pool on October 22-23, 2021 from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

City Council

Councilmember Alvarez stated that the Richland Police Department will utilize body-worn cameras beginning January 2022, and suggested that the policy and procedures be provided to staff ahead of implementation.

Councilmember Thompson's comments were inaudible due to technical difficulties.

No comments were offered by other councilmembers.

Mayor

Mayor Lukson had no comments.

AT 6:52 P.M., MAYOR LUKSON ANNOUNCED A THREE (3) MINUTE BREAK BEFORE CONVENING IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Executive Session

Executive Session Per RCW 42.30.010(l)(g): To evaluate the Qualifications of an Applicant for Public Employment or to Review the Performance of a Public Employee (60 Minutes)

AT 6:55 P.M., COUNCIL ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO EVALUATE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN APPLICANT FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT OR TO REVIEW THE PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE.

Individuals virtually present for the executive session included Mayor Lukson, Mayor Pro Tem Kent, and Councilmembers Alvarez, Boring, Christensen, Lemley and Thompson, and consultant Marsha Fraser. Interim City Manager Amundson entered and exited the executive session as directed by Mayor Lukson.

AT 7:55 P.M., MAYOR LUKSON EXTENDED THE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR AN ADDITIONAL FORTY-FIVE (45) MINUTES.

COUNCIL EXITED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 P.M.

Adjournment

Mayor Lukson adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

APPROVED:



Ryan Lukson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

DATE APPROVED: November 2, 2021

DATE PUBLISHED: November 3, 2021