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RICHLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR WORKSHOP MEETING

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

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

Meeting ID No. 505 625 7380

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

Mayor Lukson called the virtual City Council workshop meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

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

Agenda Items

1. 2022 Budget Presentation

Interim City Manager Amundson introduced the 2022 Budget presentation, which is a 17-minute video also available on the City's website.

2. 2022 Legislative Priorities

Using PowerPoint, Interim City Manager Amundson presented the City's proposed 2022 legislative priorities. Council engaged in a question and answer session with staff.

Councilmember Thompson shared personal observations regarding the City's role in representing citizens impacted by Governor Inslee's unilateral mandates and decisions.

Mayor Lukson proposed the idea that the City of Richland collaborate with neighboring cities and counties to support limiting the Governor's powers to maintain and extend the state of emergency declaration.

Councilmember Thompson shared additional statements regarding encroaching limitations on freedom.

3. Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan

Public Works Director Rogalsky introduced Transportation & Development Manager D'Allesandro to present on the topic. Staff's presentation described the reason behind the updated ADA Transition Plan, and described a public input process to be launched by

Public Works before finalization of the updated plan. Following the presentation, Council engaged in a question and answer session with staff.

4. Transportation Planning Progress

Public Works Director Rogalsky provided an update on the transportation planning and briefly highlighted the following projects:

- SR-240/Aaron Drive Overpass and Roundabout Concept
- Island View to Vista Field Trail System
- South George Washington Way Intersection Improvements

Staff has established an outreach plan to showcase the results of each project study. At the close of staff's presentation, Council engaged in a question and answer session with staff.

Executive Session

Executive Session Per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b): Discuss Lease or Purchase of Real Estate if Disclosure Would Increase Price (30 Minutes)

AT 7:20 P.M., CITY COUNCIL ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE, INCLUDING THE SETTING OF A PRICE, FOR UP TO 30 MINUTES.

Individuals virtually present for the executive session included Mayor Lukson, Mayor Pro Tem Kent, and Councilmembers Alvarez, Boring, Christensen, Lemley and Thompson, Interim City Manager Amundson, City Attorney Kintzley, and Parks & Public Facilities Director Schiessl.

AT 8:50 P.M., MAYOR LUKSON EXTENDED THE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ANOTHER 30 MINUTES.

CITY COUNCIL EXITED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:17 P.M.

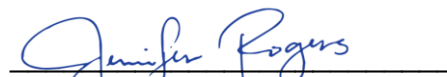
Adjournment

Mayor Lukson adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

APPROVED:


Ryan Lukson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

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