# **City Council**



# 1049 State Avenue Marysville, WA 98270

# **Regular Meeting Minutes September 14, 2020**

## Call to Order / Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Nehring called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Greg Kanehan gave the invocation, and Mayor Nehring led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present:

Mayor:

Jon Nehring

Council: Council President Kamille Norton, Councilmember Jeff Vaughan,

Councilmember Tom King, Councilmember Mark James, Councilmember Michael Stevens, Councilmember Steve Muller, Councilmember Kelly

Richards

Staff:

CAO Gloria Hirashima, Finance Director Sandy Langdon, Parks & Recreation Director Tara Mizell, City Engineer Jeff Laycock, Interim Police Chief Jeff Goldman, Human Resources Manager Teri Lester, City Attorney Jon Walker, Community Development Director Jeff Thomas, Fire Chief Martin McFalls, Public Relations Administrator Connie Mennie, IS Systems Administrator

Chris Brown, Systems Analyst Mike Davis

#### Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda moved by Councilmember Muller seconded by Councilmember Richards.

AYES:

ALL

#### **Committee Reports**

Councilmember Richards reported on last week's Parks, Culture, and Recreation Committee meeting. They are getting ready for the ribbon cutting this Friday. There was also discussion about the waterfront park and the comprehensive plan.

Council President Norton reported on the September 10 Public Safety Committee meeting. Topics discussed included a staffing update, updates on policing, and monthly statistics. Crime is down significantly from last year.

#### **Presentations**

A. COVID-19 Response – Shawn Frederick, Snohomish Health District

Mr. Frederick made a presentation regarding the work of the Health District and the COVID-19 response. The Health District has been very busy since January 20. Council comments and questions followed. Mr. Frederick indicated he would follow up with information requested by Council including numbers and studies related to suicide prevention, the restart timeline, hospital capacity data, and information regarding potential school openings.

#### **Audience Participation**

Mayor Nehring solicited public comments. There were none.

# Approval of Minutes (Written Comment Only Accepted from Audience.)

Approval of the July 6, 2020 City Council Work Session Minutes

Councilmember Stevens noted he would be abstaining because he was absent from the meeting.

**Motion** to approve the July 6, 2020 City Council Work Session Minutes moved by Councilmember Richards seconded by Councilmember James.

VOTE: Motion carried 6 - 0

AYES: Council President Norton, Councilmember Vaughan, Councilmember King, Councilmember James, Councilmember Richards, Councilmember Muller ABSTAIN: Councilmember Stevens

2. Approval of the July 13, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes

Councilmember James referred to *Call on Council* and noted that the last *Councilmember James* should be *Councilmember King*.

Councilmember Richards indicated he was absent for most of the meeting and would be abstaining.

**Motion** to approve the July 13, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes with the correction as noted by Councilmember James moved by Council President Norton seconded by Councilmember Stevens.

VOTE: Motion carried 6 - 0

AYES: Council President Norton, Councilmember Vaughan, Councilmember King,

Councilmember James, Councilmember Stevens, Councilmember Muller

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Richards

3. Approval of the July 27, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes

Councilmember Muller indicated he would be abstaining as he was absent from the meeting.

**Motion** to approve the July 27, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes as presented moved by Councilmember King seconded by Council President Norton.

VOTE: Motion carried 6 - 0

AYES: Council President Norton, Councilmember Vaughan, Councilmember King, Councilmember James, Councilmember Stevens, Councilmember Richards

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Muller

4. Approval of the August 20, 2020 Special City Council Meeting Minutes

This item was continued to the next meeting for confirmation of action taken on the first motion.

#### Consent

- Approval of the August 12, 2020 Claims in the Amount of \$1,617,035.97 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 142574 through 142717 with Check Number 138429 Voided
- Approval of the August 19, 2020 Claims in the Amount of \$9,389,196.14 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 142718 through 142858 with Check Numbers 138502 and 140004 Voided
- 11. Approval of the August 25, 2020 Payroll in the Amount of \$1,339,222.06 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 33202 through 33215
- 12. Approval of the August 26, 2020 Claims in the Amount of \$760,434.27 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 142859 through 143007 with Check Numbers 122303, 138573, 139244, 140088, 140411, 140748, 140824, 141102 and 141197 Voided
- 13. Approval of the September 2, 2020 Claims in the Amount of \$717,615.39 Paid by EFT Transactions and Check Numbers 143008 through 143156 with Check Numbers 139415, 139690 and 142802 Voided

- 15. Consider Approving the Watershed Planning Project Professional Services Agreement
- Consider Approving the 83rd and Soper Intersection Improvements Project Physical Completion Letter Starting the 45-day Lien Filing Period for Project Closeout
- 17. Consider Approving the Distribution Easement with PUD No. 1 of Snohomish County
- 18. Consider Approving the 2020 Transportation Benefit District Project Supplement Contract No. 1 with Reece Construction
- Consider Approving the Agreement with Paul and Diana Wolfe Regarding the Centennial Trail Expansion Project
- 20. Consider Approving the Agreement with Marysville School District No. 25 Regarding the Centennial Trail Expansion Project

**Motion** to approve the consent agenda in its entirety moved by Council President Norton seconded by Councilmember Richards.

AYES: ALL

**Review Bids** 

**Public Hearings** 

**New Business** 

21. Consider Approving a Resolution Amending the Investment Policy

**Motion** to authorize the Mayor to approve Resolution No. 2489 moved by Councilmember James seconded by Councilmember Muller.

AYES: ALL

22. Consider Approving an Ordinance Amending the Qualified Scientific Professionals Definition

**Motion** to approve Ordinance No. 3155 moved by Councilmember Muller seconded by Councilmember James.

AYES: ALL

23. Consider Approving an Ordinance Amending the Minimum Required Parking Spaces Code

**Motion** to approve Ordinance No. 3156 moved by Councilmember King seconded by Council President Norton.

AYES: ALL

24. Consider Approving an Ordinance Amending the Mobile/Manufacture Home and RV Park Code

Councilmember Muller pointed to an inconsistency with tiny houses not being required to remove their wheels as mobile homes are. Councilmember James concurred. There was consensus to remove this from the agenda and bring it back for more discussion.

25. Consider Approving an Ordinance Amending the Frontage Improvement Code

**Motion** to approve Ordinance No. 3157 moved by Councilmember Richards seconded by Councilmember Stevens.

AYES: ALL

26. Consider Approving an Ordinance Adjusting Closing Times for Parks and Amending Other Provisions Related to the Use of Parks

Councilmember Muller reiterated concerns about parks which people frequently use before 7 am such as Waterfront Park and Bayview Trail. He suggested making exceptions for those parks. Director Mizell and Interim Chief Goldman explained that signage could be put in place to allow for normal usage while still giving police the tools needed to address criminal activity. City Attorney Walker concurred.

**Motion** to approve Ordinance No. 3158 moved by Councilmember Vaughan seconded by Council President Norton.

AYES: ALL

29. Consider Approving the Agreement for Jail Services with the South Correctional Entity

Interim Chief Goldman reviewed this item for the 2021 fees.

**Motion** to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute an agreement for jail services with the South Correctional Entity moved by Councilmember King seconded by Councilmember Richards.

AYES:

ALL

Legal

## Mayor's Business

- Mayor Nehring met today with the JLARC (Joint Legislative Action Review Committee) staff who is charged with reviewing the property tax exemption expiring at the end of 2022. One of Marysville's legislative items for this coming session is to get that on the table for extension.
- The next round of business and residential CARES grants went live today.

- There was a very well-attended virtual coffee klatch today which had over a hundred people participating. He expects these will continue virtually in the future in addition to in-person klatches.
- Thanks to Chief McFalls, Chief Goldman, Connie Mennie, Leah Tocco, and everyone helped with the Virtual 9/11 ceremony.
- Next week the new police chief will be sworn in. Mayor Nehring recognized and thanked Interim Chief Goldman for his leadership, service, and high performance.

#### **Staff Business**

Public Relations Administrator Mennie had no comments.

Director Thomas had no further comments.

Chief McFalls thanked the City for the 9/11 remembrance ceremony. He agreed that the virtual coffee klatches have been very effective and efficient. He also has appreciated serving with Interim Chief Goldman.

City Engineer Laycock also expressed appreciation to Interim Chief Goldman.

Director Mizell echoed comments regarding Chief Goldman and expressed appreciation for his friendship.

Director Langdon expressed appreciation for Chief Goldman.

HR Manager Lester had no further comments.

City Attorney Walker recognized Interim Chief Goldman's excellent work with the City.

CAO Hirashima also expressed appreciation for Interim Chief Goldman who has been a tremendous asset to the police department for so many years. She announced that Community Development Director Thomas will be moving on to new endeavors. She expressed appreciation for his work.

Interim Chief Goldman agreed that the virtual coffee klatch is a very effective way to reach a lot of people. He reviewed his career with the police department and expressed appreciation to everyone.

#### Call on Councilmembers

Councilmember Muller thanked Interim Chief Goldman for his time with the City. He also thanked Director Thomas.

Councilmember Stevens thanked Interim Chief Goldman for stepping in during this time of transition.

Councilmember Richards thanked Interim Chief Goldman for all he has done and continues to do.

Councilmember Vaughan thanked Interim Chief Goldman for his service over all these years.

Councilmember James thanked Director Thomas for his work. He expressed appreciation to Chief Goldman for his service to the community.

Councilmember King wished Director Thomas well and thanked Interim Chief Goldman for his service throughout the years.

Council President Norton congratulated the Mayor on the great coffee klatch. She thanked Director Thomas for his work with the City. She expressed appreciation to Interim Chief Goldman for his service to the City and noted he would be missed. She asked staff about the swearing in ceremony for the new chief. CAO Hirashima announced that there would be an outdoor swearing in ceremony at Comeford Park at 9 a.m. next Monday.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:4
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Approved this 13th day of October, 2020.

Mayor Jon Nehring