



YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL
December 11, 2018
City Hall -- Council Chambers
6 p.m. Business Meeting -- MINUTES

BUSINESS MEETING

1. Roll Call

Council: Mayor Kathy Coffey, presiding, Assistant Mayor Dulce Gutierrez, Council Members Holly Cousens, Kay Funk, Brad Hill, Carmen Mendez and Jason White

Staff: City Manager Moore, City Attorney Cutter and City Clerk Claar Tee

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Coffey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Interpreter Services

Mayor Coffey introduced Jorge Villanor who announced interpreter services are available.

4. Open Discussion for the Good of the Order

A. Proclamations

i. Homeless Persons Memorial Proclamation

Mayor Coffey proclaimed Friday, December 21, 2018, as Homeless Persons' Memorial Day and Rhonda Hauff, Chief Operating Officer with Yakima Neighborhood Health, accepted it and invited everyone to attend the 14th annual candle light vigil at 5:00 p.m. on December 21, 2018 at the Millennium Plaza.

5. Council Reports

A. Council representation on the Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce Board

MOTION: Cousens moved and Mendez seconded to appoint Gutierrez to the Chamber Board. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

6. Consent Agenda

Mayor Coffey referred to the items placed on the Consent Agenda, questioning whether there were any additions or deletions from Council members present. There were no changes. The City Clerk read the Consent Agenda items, including resolutions and ordinances, by title. (Items on the Consent Agenda are handled under one motion without further discussion—see motion directly below.)

MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Mendez seconded to approve the consent agenda. The

motion carried by unanimous vote.

- A. Accept Council Committee minutes
- B. Approval of the minutes from the December 4, 2018, City Council Business Meeting and November 27, 2018, City Council Special Meeting
- C. Approve payment of disbursements for the period November 1 – 30, 2018
- D. Project Completion and Contract Acceptance for Moreno & Nelson Construction - Project 2412 Safe Routes to Schools - Adams & Washington Sidewalks
- E. Resolution authorizing certain uncollectable parking citations to be written off

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-138, A RESOLUTION authorizing the write-off of certain uncollectable parking citations and penalties for the City of Yakima.

- F. Resolution authorizing certain uncollectable central accounts receivables to be written-off

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-139, A RESOLUTION authorizing the write-off of certain uncollectable central accounts receivables for the City of Yakima.

- G. Resolution approving an interlocal agreement with Yakima County for jail services

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-140, A RESOLUTION approving an interlocal agreement with Yakima County for the provision of jail services

- H. Resolution authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. to provide engineering design, bidding, and construction services for the Fair Avenue Sanitary Sewer Main Improvements project

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-141, A RESOLUTION authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. to provide engineering design, bidding, and construction services for the Fair Avenue Sanitary Sewer Main Improvements project

- I. Resolution authorizing an Agreement with the YWCA to continue to provide services as a Domestic Violence Victims' Advocate

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-142, A RESOLUTION authorizing an Agreement with the YWCA to continue to provide services as a Domestic Violence Victims' Advocate in accordance with the specific terms and conditions set forth in said Agreement.

- J. Resolution authorizing a collective bargaining agreement for 2018-2021 with the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local 469 representing the PERS bargaining unit

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-143, A RESOLUTION authorizing a collective bargaining agreement for 2018-2021 with the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) Local 469 representing the PERS bargaining unit.

- K. Ordinance amending the 2018 budget and making appropriations from unappropriated balances for expenditure during 2018 (Second Reading)

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-054, AN ORDINANCE amending the 2018 budget for the City of Yakima; and making appropriations from Unappropriated Fund Balances within various funds for expenditure during 2018 for various purposes described in the attached Schedule.

7. **Public Comment**

None.

DEPARTMENT ITEMS

8. Ordinance adopting a 2019 Budget for the City of Yakima

Assistant City Manager Cortez briefed Council on the budget ordinance. The City Clerk read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Mendez seconded to pass the ordinance. The motion failed by a 4-3 vote, Coffey, Cousens, Hill, and White voting no.

Council Member Cousens stated in light of the financial challenges the City continues to experience, particularly inadequate reserves, the City must be disciplined.

MOTION: Cousens moved and Hill seconded to accept the 2019 budget with one exception, eliminate the Public Education Fire Captain position and transfer the salary savings to reserves. MOTION: Mendez moved and White seconded to amend the motion and remove the two positions created for the clean cities program. Assistant City Manager Cortez clarified that the two positions for the clean cities program are filled positions that can no longer be paid for with CDBG funds and must be paid out of the general fund. The motion to amend failed by a 6-1 vote, Coffey, Cousens, Funk, Gutierrez, Hill and White voting no. During Council discussion, Council Member Hill raised a point of order that it is inappropriate for Council members to be hostile towards staff. Mayor Coffey stated the point is well taken. After more discussion, Mayor Coffey stated members should refrain from criticizing past actions of the group. After additional Council discussion, the motion carried by a 5-2 vote, Mendez and Funk voting no.

The City Clerk read the ordinance by title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-055, AN ORDINANCE adopting a budget for the City of Yakima, Washington, for the year 2019; and making appropriations for estimated expenditures.

9. 2018 Affordable Housing Report

Council Member Mendez stated she thought the Council was going to have a study session on this item. Council Member Cousens stated this was her motion from several months ago to have a report; however, she prefers a study session.

MOTION: Mendez moved and Hill seconded to have an affordable housing study session sometime in January. The motion carried by a 6-1 vote, Funk voting no.

MOTION: Hill moved and Cousens seconded to eliminate this agenda item. The motion carried by a 5-2 vote, Gutierrez and Funk voting no.

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

10. Resolution announcing Council Business meeting schedule for 2019

City Manager Moore introduced the resolution. The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

MOTION: Funk moved and Gutierrez seconded to adopt the resolution. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-144, A RESOLUTION adopting the City Council 2019 regular business meeting schedule.

11. Other Business

Council Member Mendez reminded Council that the Association of Washington Cities Legislative Action Days are in February and to let staff know if you plan to attend. City Manager Moore noted typically three members attend.

Council Member Cousens reported on the public safety forum held the night before.

12. Adjournment

MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Hill seconded to adjourn to the next City Council regular meeting on January 8, 2019, at 6 p.m. at City Hall. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

READ AND CERTIFIED ACCURATE BY

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COUNCIL MEMBER

DATE

COUNCIL MEMBER

DATE

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR