



**YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
April 23, 2019
City Hall – Council Chambers
5:30 p.m. Agenda Preview Meeting**

1. Roll Call

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

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

Absent and excused: Council Members Holly Cousens and Carmen Mendez

2. Agenda preview for May 7 and 21, 2019 draft agendas

City Manager Moore reviewed the May 7 and 21, 2019 draft agendas.

3. City Manager update

City Manager Moore introduced Lisa Morean with the Office of Financial Management who reviewed the census process. City Manager Moore provided an update on the following items: State of the City on May 8, 2019; Airport Manager Rob Peterson appointed to the YCDA Board; AWC conference in June; Email phishing scams on the rise, and Council candidates meeting with the City Manager.

Council members discussed the agenda for the upcoming meeting with the Yakima School District Board including the possibility of requesting a school conducted survey asking for additional information such as the number of students who are walkers, percentage of walkers, and schools where there are few walkers. It was suggested that the Public Safety Committee take up this issue at its May 2 meeting and bring forward recommendations to the full Council at the May 7 business meeting. City Manager Moore referenced the November 2018 letter sent to the school district superintendent and as previously reported, Mr. Irion responded by telephone saying he felt that all the items were the City's responsibility; however on item 3, he said that streets near Barge-Lincoln and Adams schools might benefit from analysis.

Regarding gang prevention/intervention, Council discussed asking the school district to identify a liaison at each school the City could work with. Regarding the youth development portion of the agenda, Council would like to invite the school district to send a representative to the May 29 Village meeting. Additionally, Council discussed asking the school district if there are any possibilities of additional bus transport that might enable expansion of the Beyond the Bell program to an additional site, what it would take to identify select school buildings to keep open from 3:00 to 7:00 pm during the school week and perhaps on weekends and during the summer as well.

Ryan Bleek, Assistant City Attorney, reported the City will be notifying property owners who are delinquent on their LID assessments of the foreclosure process for non-payment.

Randy Beehler, Communications and Public Affairs Manager, discussed how public comment is currently handled and other options including having the comment period during one section of the meeting instead of on every agenda item. After Council discussion, it was general consensus to keep it as it is with the exception of only accepting comment before the consent agenda begins, and if there are more than ten comment clips, to reduce the comment period to two minutes and if more than twenty slips, it will be reduced to 1.5 minutes. Mayor Coffey noted after the meetings, for additional security purposes, Council members should meet with community members in the lobby.

4. Council Committee update

None.

5. Adjournment

MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Hill seconded to adjourn to the next City Council regular meeting on May 7, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Cousens and Mendez absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

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COUNCIL MEMBER

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ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR