



## YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL

October 6, 2020

City Hall -- Council Chambers

5:30 p.m. Regular Meeting -- Conducted via speakerphone, live streamed at [www.yakimawa.gov](http://www.yakimawa.gov) and telecast live on Y-PAC, Spectrum Cable Channel 194 or you may call in and listen by dialing 1-877-853-5247 or 1-888-788-0099. When prompted for the webinar ID enter 953 3303 1553#. When prompted for the participant ID enter #. When prompted for the meeting password enter 947141#. There will be no opportunity for oral communications with the exception of public hearings; however, if you wish to provide written comment to the City Council, please email [ccouncil2@yakimawa.gov](mailto:ccouncil2@yakimawa.gov). Written comments received by 3 pm for this meeting will be provided to the City Council prior to the meeting. MINUTES

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### 1. Roll Call

Council: Mayor Patricia Byers, presiding, Assistant Mayor Holly Cousens, Councilmembers Kay Funk (present at 5:50 p.m.), Brad Hill, Soneya Lund and Eliana Macias (Council members attending via speakerphone with the exception of Lund)

Staff: City Manager Robert Harrison, City Attorney Jeff Cutter and Acting City Clerk Jodi Stephens

Absent: Councilmember Jason White

### 2. Open Discussion for the Good of the Order

#### A. Coronavirus (COVID-19) update

City Manager Harrison provided an update on COVID-19's effect on the City.

#### B. Resolution approving extension of Mayoral Proclamation declaring emergency and order, if the Mayor issues a Proclamation extending the civil emergency proclamation and order due to COVID-19

City Attorney Cutter introduced the item. The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

**MOTION: Hill moved and Lund seconded to adopt the resolution.** The motion carried by unanimous vote, Funk and White absent.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-106, A RESOLUTION** extending the Mayor's Proclamation of Civil Emergency and Order regarding a state of emergency in the City of Yakima due to the coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19").

#### C. Resolution repealing the City Council's temporary moratorium, issued as Proclamation No. 2020-05 on June 2, 2020, staying the issuance of citations and/or

towing unlicensed vehicles for violations of Yakima Municipal Code 9.47

City Attorney Cutter briefed Council on the resolution. The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

**MOTION: Cousens moved and Lund seconded to adopt the resolution.** The motion carried by unanimous vote, Funk and White absent.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-107, A RESOLUTION** repealing the City Council's temporary moratorium issued as Proclamation No. 2020-05 on June 2, 2020, staying the issuing of citations and/or towing unlicensed vehicles for violations of Yakima Municipal Code 9.47.

D. Proclamations

i. Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation

Mayor Byers proclaimed the month of October 2020 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

E. Presentations / Recognitions / Introductions

i. Recognition of City Budget Award

Steve Groom, Finance and Budget Director, presented the City's Budget Award. Council members thanked the Finance Department for their efforts.

ii. Recognition of Officer Frank Bowersox for 30 years of service

Police Chief Murray recognized Officer Frank Bowersox for 30 years of service to the City of Yakima. Chief Murray presented a short clip of the Yakima Police Department lip sync challenge starring Officer Bowersox. Mayor Byers and Council members thanked Officer Bowersox for his years of service.

### 3. Council Reports

None.

A. Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Report

Mayor Byers reported on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) meetings.

### 4. Consent Agenda

Mayor Byers 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.) City Manager Harrison reported the set date on item 4C is incorrect, and is set for November 2, 2020.

**MOTION: Cousens moved and Lund seconded to approve the consent agenda.** The motion carried by unanimous vote, White absent.

A. Approval of minutes from the September 15, 2020 City Council regular meeting

B. Approve payment of disbursements for the period August 1 – 31, 2020

- C. Set November 3, 2020, as the public hearing date to consider the Yakima Planning Commission's recommendation on a Comprehensive Plan map amendment and concurrent Rezone application submitted by Les Heimgartner for property at 8014 Occidental Rd

City Manager Harrison reported the set date on item 4C is incorrect, and is set for November 2, 2020.

- D. Resolution authorizing Yakima School District School Resource Officer contract

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-108, A RESOLUTION** authorizing an Interlocal School Resource Officer Agreement with Yakima School District No. 7 for the continuation of the school resource officer program during the 2020-2021 school year

- E. Resolution authorizing a contract with ESF Solutions, LLC for signalization & related improvements at So. 64th Avenue and Ahtanum Road

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-109, A RESOLUTION** authorizing a contract with ESF Solutions, LLC, City Project No. 2474, for signalization and improvements at So. 64th Avenue and Ahtanum Road.

- F. Resolution authorizing an agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation – Aviation Division for a \$353,694 loan to expand the Yakima Air Terminal's main vehicle parking lot to meet growing passenger demands

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-110, A RESOLUTION** authorizing an agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation – Aviation Division for a \$353,694 loan to expand the Yakima Air Terminal's main vehicle parking lot to meet growing passenger demands.

- G. Resolution authorizing an addendum to an agreement with Perteet, Inc. for the Cowiche Canyon Trail Project

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-111, A RESOLUTION** authorizing an Addendum to an Agreement with Perteet, Inc. for the Cowiche Canyon Trail Project.

- H. Resolution authorizing Supplement Agreement No. 2 with Widener and Associates for additional wetland mitigation for Spring Creek Road and 36th Avenue Improvements Project

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-112, A RESOLUTION** authorizing Supplement Agreement No. 2 with Widener and Associates for additional wetland mitigation for Spring Creek Road and 36th Avenue Improvements Project.

- I. Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police of the City of Yakima to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Washington Traffic Safety Commission for funding a law enforcement liaison

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-113, A RESOLUTION** authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the Washington Traffic Safety Commission for funding a Law Enforcement Liaison.

- J. Resolution authorizing acceptance of Remedial Action Grant from Washington State Department of Ecology for interim action work plan cleanup of former landfill

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-114, A RESOLUTION** authorizing acceptance of a \$8,700,000 grant from the Washington State Department of Ecology for the purpose of removal or remediation of the landfill contamination at the Cascade Mill redevelopment site.

## DEPARTMENT ITEMS

5. Consideration of support letter for People for People

City Manager Harrison briefed Council on the request.

**MOTION: Funk moved and Hill seconded that the City Council provide a letter of support for the People for People grant application to WSDOT, and that we direct staff to finalize the wording, without requiring a further Council vote.** The motion carried by unanimous vote, White absent.

6. Consideration of City Council response to Yakima County's request for assistance in HOME Consortium Program staffing

Community Development Director Davenport briefed Council on the request. After discussion, staff recommended that the City Council encourage Yakima County to pursue a Request for Proposal (RFP) process which would allow the City time to evaluate our capabilities to help and develop a proposal, if feasible. There were no objections.

7. Summary status of Cascade Mill Redevelopment Project

Community Development Director provided an over-view of the project and partners. City Attorney Cutter summarized the Right-of-Way acquisition status and the Task #2 removal of wood waste, which will take place November through April. Council members expressed their appreciation for the work on this project.

8. Resolution extending the Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) Interagency Agreement with the Department of Commerce to November 30, 2020 with additional funding

City Manager Harrison and Steve Groom, Director of Finance & Budget, briefed Council on the resolution. The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

**MOTION: Cousens moved and Lund seconded to adopt the resolution.** The motion carried by unanimous vote, White absent.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-115, A RESOLUTION** accepting Contract Number 20-6541C-377 Amendment A regarding the Coronavirus Relief Fund for Local Governments Contract provided by the Washington State Department of Commerce, Local Government Division.

9. Resolution amending the agreement with Yakima County Development Association (YCDA) regarding CARES Act grant funds to provide grants to small businesses and non-profit corporations affected by COVID-19

Senior Assistant City Attorney Watkins briefed Council on the amendment. Jonathan Smith, YCDA briefed Council on the status of the previous grants.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title only. After Council discussion,

**MOTION: Lund moved and Cousens seconded to amend the language in the first amendment to the agreement between the City of Yakima and Yakima County Development Association to change the allocations of the additional \$1.4 million dollars as follows: 1) \$600,000 shall go towards small businesses; 2) approximately \$800,000 should be allocated as follows: a) non-profit corporations as defined in the agreement, which have a contractual relationship with the City may apply to receive**

up to \$30,000 and have first priority; b) non-profit corporations which provided services to the community during the pandemic may apply to receive up to \$10,000 and have second priority; c) non-profit corporations which did not provide services to the community during the pandemic may apply to receive \$10,000 and have third priority; under special conditions, it should be noted that non-profit corporations' allocations should not be reduced due to the receipt of funds from the Paycheck Protection Program. The motion carried by unanimous vote, White absent.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-116, A RESOLUTION** amending the Agreement with Yakima County Development Association (YCDA) regarding CARES Act grant funds to provide grants to small businesses and non-profit corporations affected by COVID-19.

**10. Other Business**

None.

**11. Adjournment**

**MOTION: Cousens moved and Lund seconded to adjourn to a City Council study session on October 8, 2020, at 9 a.m. at City Hall.** The motion carried by unanimous vote, White absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION**

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MAYOR