



**MINUTES
YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL**

July 5, 2022

City Hall -- Council Chambers

5:30 p.m. Regular meeting; 6 p.m. public hearings -- conducted in person and virtually via Zoom

1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Janice Deccio, presiding, and Councilmembers Matt Brown, Patricia Byers, Holly Cousens, and Danny Herrera

Staff: City Manager Robert Harrison, City Attorney Sara Watkins and City Clerk Sonya Claar Tee

Absent and excused: Assistant Mayor Soneya Lund and Councilmember Eliana Macias

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Deccio led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Interpreter Services

Mayor Deccio introduced Jorge Villasenor who announced interpreter services are available in Spanish.

4. Open Discussion for the Good of the Order

5. Council Reports

A. City of Yakima delegation trip to Washington, D.C.

MOTION: Deccio moved and Brown seconded to appoint Assistant Mayor Lund and Councilmembers Byers and Cousens as the Council representatives on the DC trip. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

6. Consent Agenda

Mayor Deccio 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: Cousens moved and Byers seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

- A. Approval of minutes from the June 21, 2022 City Council regular meeting and June 28, 2022 study session
- B. Project Completion and Contract Acceptance for TTC Construction LLC of the 30-inch Transmission Main Valve Installation Project AC2533
- C. Set date of August 1, 2022 for a closed record public hearing to consider the Yakima Planning Commission's recommendation regarding the preliminary plat of "Spring Creek Heights" submitted by Michael & Kathy Hovenkotter, located at 7509 Occidental Rd
- D. Resolution authorizing a contract with Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity in the amount of \$87,500 of HOME Investment funds to assist with new construction of a single family dwelling to be sold to a qualified low to moderate-income first time homebuyer located at 2912 W Arlington Ave.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2022-076, A RESOLUTION authorizing an agreement with Yakima Valley Partners Habitat for Humanity in the amount of up to Eighty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$87,500) in Federal Housing and Urban Development HOME funds under CFDA Contract #14.239 for property acquisition and construction of a low income housing unit in the City of Yakima.

- E. Resolution authorizing an agreement with Joe Park Construction, LLC for the City of Yakima Police Department Services Division Office Construction Project

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- F. Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Yakima Police Department and the Washington State Patrol, the Yakima County Sheriff's Office and Police Departments for, Grandview, Granger, Mabton, Moxee, Selah, Sunnyside, Tieton, Toppenish, Union Gap, Wapato and Zillah to jointly cooperate through a Yakima County Mutual Law Enforcement Assistance Agreement

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- G. Resolution authorizing the City of Yakima to participate in a SIED application on behalf of the Yakima First Partners, LLC for a project at South 1st Street and Russell Lane

RESOLUTION NO. R-2022-079, A RESOLUTION authorizing the City of Yakima to support the grant and loan application of up to \$1,000,000 from Yakima County Supporting Investments in Economic Development (SIED) fund to install street and traffic signal improvements in the vicinity of South 1st Street and Russell Lane for Yakima First Partners, LLC, in the City of Yakima.

7. Public Comment

Mary Place and Pam Cleaver, City residents, shared their concerns with the need for emphasis patrols in high traffic areas around the City and asked what citizens can do to help.

Tony Courcy, City resident, spoke on various topics.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. Public meeting to consider the Notice of Intent to Commence the Golden Ridge Annexation in the Vicinity of Coolidge Road and S 94th Avenue

Planning Manager Joseph Calhoun briefed Council on the issue.

Mayor Deccio opened the public hearing and, with no one coming forward to speak, closed the hearing.

MOTION: Cousens moved and Brown seconded to direct staff to draft the official Annexation Petition and collect signatures from property owners to begin the Annexation review procedures. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

9. Closed record public hearing and Resolution to consider the Hearing Examiner's recommendation regarding the preliminary plat of Anderson Park Phase 4 submitted by Cottonwood Partners LLC located in the vicinity of Occidental Rd & S 58th Avenue

Senior Planner Eric Crowell briefed Council on the issue.

Mayor Deccio opened the public hearing and, with no one coming forward to speak, closed the hearing.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-2022-080, A RESOLUTION approving the Preliminary Long Plat of Anderson Park Phase 4, a 30-lot subdivision, located in the vicinity of Occidental Rd. and S. 58th Ave.

DEPARTMENT ITEMS

10. Resolution authorizing a Purchase and Sale Agreement with McCurley Fruitvale Property, LLC for the property located at 506 Fruitvale Boulevard, Yakima, Washington

City Attorney Sara Watkins reported the Transit Division has been seeking property to provide needed future space for bus storage, maintenance, and enhancement of services and infrastructure. She noted the property at 506 Fruitvale Boulevard meets the needs of the Transit Division, provides income to the Transit Division through a lease-back by the current owner, and is within the Transit Division's budget. Transit Manager Alvie Maxey mentioned this property will provide much needed space for Transit needs.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-2022-081, A RESOLUTION authorizing a Purchase and Sale

Agreement with McCurley Fruitvale Property, LLC for the property located at 506 Fruitvale Boulevard, Yakima, Washington.

11. Ordinance amending the 2022 Budget for the City of Yakima and making appropriations from unappropriated fund balances within various funds for expenditure during 2022 for various purposes (First Reading)

Jennifer Ferrer-Santa Ines, Director of Finance and Budget, briefed Council on the first reading of the ordinance, noting it will be brought back for a second reading at the next business meeting.

The City Clerk read the ordinance by title only.

AN ORDINANCE amending the 2022 Budget for the City of Yakima; and making appropriations from Unappropriated Fund Balances within various funds for expenditure during 2022 for various purposes.

12. Ordinance amending Section 6.44.020 of the City of Yakima Municipal Code by adopting RCW 9.41.305 which prohibits the open carry of firearms or other weapons in a local government building

Amanda Brusic, Assistant City Attorney, briefed Council on the ordinance.

After discussion, the City Clerk read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION: Cousens moved and Byers seconded to pass the ordinance. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-016, AN ORDINANCE relating to Public Safety; amending Section 6.44.020 of the City of Yakima Municipal Code by adopting RCW 9.41.305 which prohibits the open carry of firearms or other weapons while knowingly being in a local government building used in connection with local government meetings.

13. Emergency ordinance to authorize the continued prosecution of Violation of Protective Orders

Mayor Deccio reported an additional item has been added to the agenda due to its emergency nature.

MOTION: Byers moved and Cousens seconded to temporarily suspend the Council Rules of Procedure to add this item to the agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

Senior Assistant City Attorney Cynthia Martinez briefed Council on the emergency ordinance.

The City Clerk read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION: Byers moved and Cousens seconded to pass the ordinance. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-017, AN ORDINANCE relating to Public Safety; removing statutes repealed by the State and adopting the newly codified equivalent RCW's 7.105.450, 7.105.455 and 7.105.465 as an Emergency Ordinance to authorize the continued prosecution of Violation of Protective Orders and Antiharassment Orders in the City of Yakima Municipal Court.

14. **Other Business**

MOTION: Cousens moved and Brown seconded to add to a future study session options on traffic control. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

Councilmember Byers recognized Councilmember Cousens as a newly elected representative of the Association of Washington Cities Board for the next two years.

15. Adjournment

MOTION: Cousens moved and Byers seconded to adjourn to a City Council retreat on July 12, 2022, at 3 p.m. at the Harman Center Ballroom, 101 N. 65th Avenue, Yakima, WA. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent. The meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

READ AND CERTIFIED ACCURATE BY

COUNCIL MEMBER

DATE

COUNCIL MEMBER

DATE

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

MAYOR