

# MINUTES YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL

## **February 7, 2023**

## City Hall -- Council Chambers

5:30 p.m. regular meeting; 6:00 p.m. public hearings -- meeting 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

## A. Proclamations

i. Black History Month proclamation

Mayor Deccio proclaimed February 2023 as Black History Month. Eric Silvers and Reesha Cosby accepted the proclamation.

ii. National Parent Leadership Month proclamation

Councilmember Brown proclaimed the month of February 2023 as National Parent Leadership Month. Alicia Urwin and Anna Jackson accepted the proclamation. Semi Bird commended City Council for the recognition of parents and families in the community.

## B. Presentations / Recognitions / Introductions

i. Retirement recognition of Dave Brown for 39 years of service

Public Works Director Schafer recognized Dave Brown on his retirement and 39 years of service to the City. Mike Shane spoke at Dave's request to give thanks to the City, staff and Council.

## 5. Council Reports

None.

## 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:** Byers moved and Brown seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

- A. Approval of minutes from the January 17, 2023 City Council regular meeting and January 24, 2023 City Council study session
- B. Set date of February 21, 2023 for a public hearing on the City of Yakima HOME-ARP Allocation Plan
- C. Set date of March 7, 2023 for a public hearing to consider the Hearing Examiner's recommendation on a Rezone proposal in the vicinity of 1406 S. Fair Ave.
- D. Project Completion and Contract Acceptance for Interwest Construction Inc for the Water Transmission Main Repair EPO #2212E Project AC2655
- E. Request to extend time to file memorandum in APP#002-22/APP#004-22 pursuant to YMC 16.08.025
- F. Resolution accepting and approving 4th Quarter 2022 Claim Report

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-017, A RESOLUTION** accepting and approving the 4th Quarter 2022 Claim Report for the City of Yakima.

G. Resolution authorizing a Contract with ESF Solutions LLC for the Robertson Elementary School Safety Improvements Project 2562

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-018, A RESOLUTION** authorizing an agreement with ESF Solutions LLC for the Robertson Elementary Safe Routes to School project (PROJECT) 2562.

H. Resolution awarding and authorizing an agreement with RedZone Robotics, Inc., for condition assessment of Wastewater pipelines

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-019, A RESOLUTION** awarding of RFP 12244P and authorizing an agreement with RedZone Robotics, Inc., for Condition Assessment of Wastewater Pipeline Services.

I. Resolution authorizing acceptance of a Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) grant award agreement for \$1,335,000 for Nob Hill Boulevard Overlay Project 2619

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-020, A RESOLUTION** authorizing an agreement for a Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) Fuel Tax Grant Award of \$1,335,000 for the Nob Hill

Boulevard Overlay project 2619.

J. Resolution awarding and authorizing an agreement with ALSC Architects, for architectural design & space planning

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-021, A RESOLUTION** awarding of RFQ 12213Q and authorizing an agreement with ALSC Architects for Architectural Design and Space Planning Services.

K. Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between the United States Marshals Service Fugitive Task Force and the City of Yakima Police Department

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-022, A RESOLUTION** authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between the United States Marshals Service Fugitive Task Force and the City of Yakima Police Department.

L. Ordinance adopting City of Yakima Contribution and Donation Policy

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-006, AN ORDINANCE** adopting the City of Yakima Contribution and Donation Policy.

M. Ordinance amending Yakima Municipal Code Chapter 6.91 to add an alternative to immediate criminal sanctions

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-007, AN ORDINANCE** amending Yakima Municipal Code Chapter 6.91 to add an alternative to immediate criminal sanctions and bring the code in line with the current practice of the Yakima Police Department.

## 7. Public Comment

Joy Erb and Steve Edwards, County residents, spoke in favor of the National Parent Leadership proclamation and thanked Council for passing the proclamation.

Jordan Mesa and Elisio Montenegro, residents, spoke about inequities in the community based on race and economic differences and requested opportunities for increased citizen engagement.

Rhonda Cook, Tammy Zerr and George Pechtel, residents and downtown business owners, spoke against the current reporting of parking complaints through YakBack, increased delays in response to abandoned vehicles, patron safety, human and animal biological waste and refuse on and around historic Front Street.

Martha Rickey, resident, spoke against the airport expansion and the survey poll on the City's website regarding the same.

Tony Courcy, resident, spoke on several subjects.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

8. Public hearing and Ordinance on the Golden Ridge Annexation in the vicinity of Coolidge Road and S 96th Avenue

Planning Manager Calhoun briefed Council on the public hearing.

Mayor Deccio opened the public hearing speak. Tony Courcy, resident, spoke against the annexation. Mayor Deccio closed the hearing. The City Clerk read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION: Cousens moved and Byers seconded to pass the ordinance and direct staff to submit an application to the Boundary Review Board. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-008, AN ORDINANCE** annexing the Golden Ridge Annexation area to the City of Yakima, contingent on Yakima County Boundary Review Board approval.

#### **DEPARTMENT ITEMS**

9. Resolution amending the City of Yakima Proclamation Issuance Policy

City Attorney Watkins briefed Council on the amendments to the proclamation policy.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-023, A RESOLUTION** amending the City of Yakima Proclamation Issuance Policy.

10. Resolution amending a Fee Schedule for Land Use Development Fees for the City of Yakima

Planning Manager Calhoun briefed Council on the resolution.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title only

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

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-024, A RESOLUTION** amending the City of Yakima Master Fee Schedule – Land Use Fees.

11. Resolution authorizing a contract with the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA of Yakima) to provide \$2,000,000 of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to construct a domestic violence shelter

City Manager Harrison briefed Council on the contract. Cheri Kilty, Executive Director of the YWCA, described the project and anticipated community benefits following project completion.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-025, A RESOLUTION** authorizing the contract with the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA of Yakima) to provide \$2,000,000.00 of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to construct a domestic violence shelter.

#### 12. Other Business

Councilmember Brown would like to speak to the downtown business owners regarding their concerns voiced during public comment.

## 13. Adjournment

MOTION: Cousens moved and Byers seconded to adjourn to the next City Council study session on February 14, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The motion carried by unanimous vote, Lund and Macias absent. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

CERTIFICATION READ AND CERTIFIED ACCURATE BY		
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ATTEST:		
CITY CLERK	MAYOR	

