



**MINUTES
YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL**

August 15, 2023

**City Hall – Council Chambers - 129 N 2nd Street, Yakima, WA
5:30 p.m. Regular meeting conducted in person and virtually via Zoom**

1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Janice Deccio, presiding; Assistant Mayor Soneya Lund and Councilmembers Matt Brown, Patricia Byers, Holly Cousens, Danny Herrera, and Eliana Macias (attending remotely via Zoom)

Staff: City Manager Robert Harrison, Acting City Attorney Cynthia Martinez, and City Clerk Rosalinda Ibarra

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Deccio led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Interpreter Services

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

4. Open Discussion for the Good of the Order

A. Presentations / Recognitions / Introductions

i. Recognition of Karina Solorio, CivicSpark Fellow, Sustainable Yakima Committee

Economic Development Services Assistant Sy Ruiz recognized Karina Solorio for her work with the Sustainable Yakima Committee through the CivicSpark Program. Ms. Solorio assisted the Sustainable Yakima Committee in researching, analyzing, and presenting various issues to help create a one-year action plan. Dan Schapiro, member of Sustainable Yakima Committee, thanked and praised Karina for her research and hard work. Jeff Scott, member of Sustainable Yakima Committee, mentioned her ability to provide science-based data which allowed the committee to progress much faster with her contributions.

5. Council Reports

A. Council discussion regarding agenda topics for joint meeting with Yakima School District

Council members identified topics of interest to include in the joint meeting with the Yakima School District on August 28, 2023.

1. Update on MLK pool design

2. Closing street and connecting school campus with MLK park
3. Free bus passes for students 18 and under
4. Recap regarding Handle with Care Program
5. Clarification regarding access to the grass areas being closed off
6. Concerns about lack of air conditioning on busses during long routes and hot weather
7. Summary of recovery since COVID including data of students' education levels
8. YSD budget challenges and long-term solutions

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. Items 6G and 6L were removed from the consent agenda. 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 Lund seconded to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

- A. Approval of minutes from the August 2, 2023 City Council regular meeting and August 8, 2023 City Council study session
- B. 2023 2nd Quarter Financial Report
- C. July 2023 Investment Transaction Report
- D. Approve payment of disbursements for the period July 1-31, 2023
- E. Project Completion and Contract Acceptance with Kone Inc. for the City Hall Elevator Modernization Project 2555
- F. Resolution accepting Change Order No. 1 with American Rock Products for the Nob Hill Boulevard Resurfacing and Pacific Avenue Sidewalk Improvements Projects 2619 and 2612

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-105, A RESOLUTION accepting Change Order No. 1 with American Rock Products for the Nob Hill Boulevard Resurfacing and Pacific Avenue Sidewalk Improvements Projects 2619 and 2612.

- G. This item was removed from the Consent Agenda
- H. Resolution authorizing a three-year professional services agreement with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. to provide engineering services for the Yakima Wastewater Collections System including Task Order No. 2023-01

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-107, A RESOLUTION authorizing a three-year Professional Services Agreement with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. to provide engineering services for the Yakima Wastewater Collections System including Task Order No. 2023-01.

- I. Resolution authorizing a multiple award for Bid 12331 Asphalt & Materials for the Public Works Department

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-108, A RESOLUTION authorizing a multiple award for Bid

12331 Asphalt and Materials for the Yakima Public Works Department.

- J. Resolution authorizing an amendment to a lease agreement with the Yakima Air Terminal-McAllister Field and PocketiNet Communications, Inc

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-109, A RESOLUTION authorizing an amendment to an Airport Lease Agreement between the City of Yakima and PocketiNet Communications, Inc.

- K. Resolution updating the Master Fee Schedule on the Airport's Rates and Charges

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-110, A RESOLUTION of the City of Yakima, updating a Master Fee Schedule related to Airport rates and charges.

- L. This item was removed from the Consent Agenda

- M. Ordinance amending Yakima Municipal Code Chapter 7.04 Tahoma Cemetery

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-034, AN ORDINANCE relating to Public Services and Utilities; amending section 7.04 of the Yakima Municipal Code; prescribing penalties; updating administrative and recordkeeping procedures, liner size availability, available services, and other housekeeping measures.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

- A. Resolution authorizing an agreement with Leslie & Campbell Inc. for construction of the Yakima Convention & Event Center 2023 Re-Roofing Project 2755

Assistant Mayor Lund stated she would abstain from voting due to conflict of interest.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

MOTION: Cousens moved and Byers seconded to approve the resolution. The motion carried by unanimous vote; Lund abstained.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-106, A RESOLUTION authorizing an agreement with Leslie & Campbell Inc for the Yakima Convention & Event Center 2023 Re-Roof Project 2755.

- B. Ordinance amending the Yakima Municipal Code 4.16.170 Refuse Storage, Collection, and Disposal and the addition of clarifying Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) language

Councilmember Byers mentioned citizen concerns about carry-out service. Solid Waste and Recycling Manager Bradburn provided an update. After discussion, the City Clerk read the ordinance by title only.

MOTION: Byers moved and Cousens seconded to pass ordinance. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-033, AN ORDINANCE amending the City of Yakima Municipal Code Chapter 4.16, Garbage Storage, Collection and Disposal.

7. Public Comment

Don, City resident, spoke regarding several topics.

DEPARTMENT ITEMS

8. 2023 Update on Capital Improvement Projects Report

City Engineer Bill Preston presented the 1st and 2nd Quarter 2023 Capital Improvements Projects, including challenges and future projects.

9. Resolution setting the date of September 5, 2023 for a Public Hearing to Amend the Transportation Benefit District (TBD) Project List

City Engineer Bill Preston briefed the Council on the proposed resolution.

The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-2023-111, A RESOLUTION setting the time and place for public hearing on September 5, 2023 at 6:00 PM for public comment on amending the Transportation Benefit District (TBD) Project List.

10. **Other Business**

MOTION: Lund moved and Brown seconded to request that staff provide a presentation to the City Council on the contract for Fire Service with Union Gap be added to the Study session on 08/22/2023. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

11. **Adjournment**

MOTION: Lund moved and Cousens seconded to adjourn to the next Council study session on August 22, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

READ AND CERTIFIED ACCURATE BY

COUNCIL MEMBER

DATE

COUNCIL MEMBER

DATE

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR