



**YAKIMA CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
January 9, 2018
City Hall -- Council Chambers
10:00 a.m. -- MINUTES**

1. Roll Call

Council: Mayor Kathy Coffey, presiding, Assistant Mayor Dulce Gutierrez, Council Members Holly Cousens, Kay Funk, Brad Hill (arrived 10:06 a.m.), Carmen Mendez and Jason White

Staff: City Manager Moore, Assistant City Manager Ana Cortez and City Clerk Claar Tee

2. Resolution announcing Council Business meeting schedule for 2018

The City Clerk read the resolution by title only.

MOTION: Mendez moved and Funk seconded *to adopt the resolution*. The motion carried by 6-0 vote, Hill abstained.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-004, A RESOLUTION adopting the City Council 2018 regular business meeting schedule.

3. Discussion of Code of Ethics and Principles of Conduct policies

City Manager Moore introduced the item. After Council discussion,

MOTION: Funk moved and Mendez seconded *to adopt the Code of Ethics and Principles of Conduct policies*. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

MOTION: Funk moved and Gutierrez seconded *to move this issue to the Partnership Committee to specifically develop a protocol for disclaimer of personal endorsements*. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. Boards, Committees and Commissions structure, membership and appointments

Council discussed whether to delink the individual committees from the Council Boards in order for any Council member to be on any Committee that may not be under a Council Board they serve on.

MOTION: Cousens moved and Mendez seconded *to separate (delink) the Committees from the Council Strategic Priority Boards*. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Council Member Mendez noted there is no County Gang Commission and that should be removed from the list. Assistant Mayor Gutierrez reported the Ethics and Equal Rights Exploratory Committee is no longer in existence and should be removed. Council members reviewed the Boards which do not require Council representation. **It was Council consensus to appoint the following members to those Boards as liaisons:**

Yakima County EMS -- Funk
Sister City Association -- Mendez
Yakima Valley Tourism -- Mendez
Parks & Recreation Commission -- Funk
Yakima Valley OIC -- Cousens
Sports Commission -- Cousens
Planning Commission -- Hill
Historic Preservation Commission -- White
Bike & Pedestrian Committee -- White

Council members reviewed the Committees that require a Council member and the following appointments were made by Council consensus:

YCDA/New Vision -- Gutierrez/White (alt.)
SIED Board -- Coffey/Mendez (alt.)
Chamber of Commerce -- White/Coffey (alt.)
Public Facilities District -- Coffey/Cousens (alt.)
Lodging Tax Advisory Committee -- Coffey
Capitol Theater Board -- Mendez/Hill (alt.)
Hotel / Motel Commission -- Mendez
Homeless Network -- Mendez/Gutierrez (alt.)
Henry Beauchamp Community Center -- White/Cousens (alt.)
Community Integration -- White/Gutierrez (alt.)
TRANS-Action -- Mendez
Tree Board -- White
Yakima Valley EMS Board -- Funk/Mendez (alt.)
YPAL Board -- White/Cousens (alt.)
Police and Fire Pension Boards -- Gutierrez/Hill (alt.)
Harman Center Board -- Hill/Cousens (alt.)
Regional Clean Air -- Mendez/Funk (alt.)
Yakima River Basin -- Mendez/Hill (alt.) and Coffey (second alt.)
Fish and Wildlife Board -- Mendez/Cousens (alt.)
YVCOG -- Hill/Cousens (alt.)
Board of Health -- Funk/Mendez (alt.)
Arts Commission -- White/Gutierrez (alt.)
Solid Waste Advisory -- Funk
Yakima Nation -- Cousens/Gutierrez (alt.)

City Manager Moore reported the Dispute Resolution Center received a City supported grant and would like two Council members to be on their Community Response Team Committee, which requires training on January 27 & 28, 2018. **It was Council consensus to appoint Gutierrez and Funk to this Committee.**

MOTION: Mendez moved and Gutierrez seconded to accept the Council

appointments. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Coffey suggested Council keep the current appointments on the Council's Boards and fill in the vacancies with new Council members and then revisit the appointments in three months in conjunction with updating the Strategic Plan. After further Council discussion,

MOTION: Hill moved and Cousens seconded *that members that are on the existing four committees remain and the three new members fill in on vacancies and alternate vacancies until approximately April 9.* The motion carried by a 5-2 vote with Mendez and Gutierrez voting no.

It was Council consensus for the following appointments:

Council Economic Development Committee -- White
Council Neighborhood & Community Building Committee -- Funk
Partnerships Committee -- Hill

Council members discussed the remaining vacancy on the Partnership Committee with Coffey, Mendez, Funk and Gutierrez expressing interest in the position.

MOTION: Hill moved and Gutierrez seconded *to appoint Mendez to the Partnership Committee until we reconvene in April.* The motion carried by a 4-3 vote with Funk, Coffey and Cousens voting no.

It was Council consensus for the following appointments and alternates:

Council Economic Development Committee -- Gutierrez (alt.)
Council Public Safety Committee -- Hill (alt.)
Partnerships Committee -- Funk (alt.)

MOTION: Cousens moved and Mendez seconded *to accept the appointments.* The motion carried by unanimous vote.

5. Review of 2015 Strategic Plan

City Manager Moore reported on the 2015 Strategic Plan. Mayor Coffey stated she would like the current Council to review and update the Plan.

MOTION: White moved and Cousens seconded *to take the next three months to revamp the City's Strategic Plan.* The motion carried by a 6-1 vote, Funk voting no.

6. Public comment (allow 15 minutes)

None.

7. Adjournment

MOTION: Gutierrez moved and Mendez seconded *to adjourn to a City Council briefing on January 11, 2018, at 5 p.m. at City Hall in the 2nd floor conference room.*

The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 11:47.

CERTIFICATION

READ AND CERTIFIED ACCURATE BY

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ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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