

**Mount Vernon  
City Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
May 8, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Boudreau at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Beaton, Brocksmith, Carias, Hudson, Hulst, Moberg, and Molenaar

Staff Present: Fire Chief Brice, Police Chief Dodd, Library Services Director Huffman, Project Development Manager Donovan, City Attorney Rogerson, Finance Director Volesky and Senior Planner Lowell

Citizens Present: 12

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of April 24, 2019 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of May 3, 2019 payroll checks numbered 109193-109232 direct deposit checks numbered 71015-71258, and wire transfers numbered 729-733 in the amount of \$999,881.17.
- C. Approval of May 8, 2019 claims numbered 3518, 3522-3565 and 3568-3706 in the amount of \$619,854.99.

**Councilmember Hulst moved to approve the consent agenda items A-C. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 7-0.**

**REPORTS**

- A. Committee Reports:
  - Public Works and Library- see committee minutes for details
  - Public Safety- see committee minutes for details
- B. Community Comments:
  - Former Mayor Ray Reep, Mount Vernon- invited the Mayor and City Council to the ribbon cutting ceremony at the YMCA. He is very happy with the new building.
- C. Community Comments Follow Up:
  - None
- D. Councilmember Comments:
  - Councilmember Brocksmith spoke about the Citizen's Academy that he and Councilmember Carias graduated from recently. He also invited the public to the Community Action ribbon cutting on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 4pm at the new Veteran facility at 160 Cascade St.
  - Councilmember Carias encouraged the public to go through the Citizen's Academy.

E. Mayor's Report:

- Gave an overview of the Skagit 911 agency to include all of the agencies serviced, statistics, radio dispatching, training and hiring process. They are down 10 positions, if there are any interested applicants they should contact Skagit 911.
- Mayor's Coffee Hour times and locations were reviewed

F. Committee Agenda Requests:

- None

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Street Closure Request at Lincoln School: Mr. Donovan presented Council with a request to close S 11<sup>th</sup> Street, from Broad to Skagit Streets, from 12 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 19, 2019 for their "Say Goodbye to Lincoln School" event.

**Councilmember Hudson moved to approve the street closure. Motion seconded by Councilmember Carias. Motion carried 7-0.**

- B. Public Hearing – Interim Regulations Governing Emergency Severe Weather Shelters: Mr. Rogerson presented Council with a request to approve and ordinance that would continue Ordinance 3780 adopted on March 13, 2019 for a six month period unless terminated earlier upon permanent development.

Mayor Boudreau opened the public hearing.

- Keith Johnson, Mount Vernon- spoke in favor of the emergency severe weather shelter.
- Katie Stevens, Skagit Coalition to end Homelessness- spoke in favor of the emergency severe weather shelter.
- Wendy Sanderson, Mount Vernon- spoke in favor of the emergency severe weather shelter.
- Herb Steinhauer, Mount Vernon- spoke in favor of the emergency severe weather shelter.
- Ki Smiza, Mount Vernon- asked that a higher temperature be considered for the severe weather threshold. Spoke in favor of the emergency severe weather shelter. He also asked that the 44" door requirement be reconsidered.
- Tim Hurd, Mount Vernon- spoke in favor of the emergency severe weather shelter.

There being no further comments Mayor Boudreau closed the public hearing.

**Councilmember Hulst moved to approve Ordinance 3783. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.**

- C. Open Record Public Hearing – CDBG 2019-2020 Draft Action Plan: Mr. Donovan indicated that CDBG requires that Council hold a public hearing prior to the development of a draft CDBG 2019 Action Plan. This is the second open record public hearing. This year's allotment is just over \$390,000.

Mayor Boudreau opened the public hearing.

There being no comments Mayor Boudreau closed the public hearing.

- D. Fire Hydrant Transfer Agreement: Chief Brice presented Council with a request to authorize the Mayor to enter into a fire hydrant transfer agreement with Skagit County PUD.

**Councilmember Molenaar moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into a fire hydrant transfer agreement with Skagit County PUD. Motion seconded by Councilmember Moberg. Motion carried 7-0.**

- E. Closed Record Public Hearing – Site Specific Rezone of Property: Ms. Lowell presented Council with a request to approve an ordinance to change the zoning designation of property located at 1717 Freeway Drive from General Commercial to Public. The property is owned by MV28, LLC.

Mayor Boudreau opened the closed record public hearing.

There being no comments Mayor Boudreau closed the closed record public hearing.

**Councilmember Hulst moved to approve Ordinance 3784. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.**

- F. Closed Record Public Hearing – Site Specific Rezone of Property: Ms. Lowell presented Council with a request to approve an ordinance to change the zoning designation of property located at the NE corner of Blackburn and LaVenture Roads from Single-Family PUD to Two-Family Residential. This property is owned by Corner 9 Properties, LLC.

Mayor Boudreau opened the closed record public hearing.

Brian Gentry, Applicant (Landed Gentry) – spoke in favor of the rezone of this property to R-2.

There being no further comments Mayor Boudreau closed the closed record public hearing.

**Councilmember Hudson moved to approve Ordinance 3785. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 7-0.**

- G. Closed Record Public Hearing – Expansion of a Non-Conforming Single-Family Residence: Ms. Lowell presented Council with a request to approve a resolution to allow a 36 sf expansion of an existing non-conforming single-family residential structure located at 1124 S 10<sup>th</sup> Street.

Mayor Boudreau opened the closed record public hearing.

There being no comments Mayor Boudreau closed the closed record public hearing.

**Councilmember Molenaar moved to approve Resolution 962. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hudson. Motion carried 7-0.**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

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Morgan Morrison, Recording Clerk

ATTEST:

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Doug Volesky, Finance Director

APPROVE:

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Jill Boudreau, Mayor