

**Mount Vernon
City Council
Study Session Minutes
October 30, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Boudreau at 7:02 p.m.

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

Staff Present: Interim Police Chief Cammock, Development Services Director Phillips, Senior Planning Manager Lowell, City Attorney Rogerson, Finance Director Volesky, Human Resources Director Keator, Library Director Huffman, Parks & Enrichment Director King, Project Development Manager Donovan, Public Works Director Bell

Citizens Present: 5

- A. Public Hearing – Continuation of Regulations for Severe Weather Shelters: Council adopted interim regulations by ordinance in March 2019 allowing severe weather shelters for the homeless. This ordinance would continue these regulations with a work plan.

Mayor Boudreau opened the public hearing.

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

Councilmember Hulst moved to adopt Ordinance 3794 which will continue the regulations established by ordinance in March 2019 allowing severe weather shelters for the homeless. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 7-0.

- B. Open Record Public Hearing – Review Revenue Sources for the 2020 Budget and Discuss Setting 2020 Property Taxes: Doug Volesky reviewed revenue estimates for 2019 and 2020, and had discussion with the Council regarding the City's tax revenues.

Mayor Boudreau opened the open record public hearing.

- Richard Bowyer – Mount Vernon – Spoke against raising property taxes and emphasized the need for fiscal responsibility.

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

Councilmember Hulst moved to postpone the setting of 2020 property taxes to a later date, once the estimated 2019 and 2020 revenues have been finalized. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.

Kevin Rogerson invited the Mayor and Council to attend an executive session, not to exceed 5 minutes, with no further action needed.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Chase Kinney, Recording Clerk

ATTEST:

Doug Volesky, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Jill Boudreau, Mayor