



**CITY OF MOUNT VERNON
CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION
Agenda
March 3, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
(Virtual Meeting)**

The Mount Vernon City Councilmembers will be participating in this meeting via video/teleconference technology.

To virtually attend the meeting, the public may:

1. **Call the conference line:** 1-888-924-9240; Access Code: 3366211 (please 'mute' your phone, if possible, to minimize distractions)
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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUob_hcQUmd4S93YkletdrA

A. Proposed Option for a Purchase & Sale Agreement of Real Property with Skagit County

(Staff is requesting that Council authorize the Mayor to enter into an Option Agreement for the Purchase and Sale of real property located at 208 Kincaid, Mount Vernon, WA 98273 and conveyance of associated right of way.)

(required action – resolution)

(staff contact – Kevin Rogerson)

B. Mount Vernon Library Commons Discussion

(Mayor and Staff will be leading a discussion with Council on planning and funding for the Mount Vernon Library Commons Project.)

A link to the Concept Development Report can be found at:

<https://mountvernonwa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/11872/19-04-17-Concept-Development-Report>

(required action – none)

(staff contact – Mayor Boudreau)

C. Public Safety Update

- Fire Department Training Overview
- Miscellaneous Update

D. For the Good of the Order

- College Way Speed Discussion – Follow-Up

Public Safety

COMMITTEE MEETINGS
cancelled

Next Ordinance 3826
Next Resolution 989



DATE: March 3, 2021
TO: City Council
FROM: Kevin Rogerson, City Attorney
SUBJECT: PROPOSED OPTION FOR A PURCHASE & SALE AGREEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY WITH SKAGIT COUNTY

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt Resolution No. []. That the Council authorize the Mayor to enter into an Option Agreement for the Purchase and Sale of real property located at 208 Kincaid, Mount Vernon, WA 98273 and conveyance of associated right of way.

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

The City Attorney’s office has been involved in the negotiation and drafting of an option for the purchase and sale of real property owned by Skagit County located at 208 Kincaid. The property consists of and currently used as grade parking in which the City has identified as a potential site for the construction of a public parking garage and potentially more community space.

The Agreement also corrects / completes the realignment of the City’s Third Street, completed around 1999, transferring title to portions of real property including the current and former location of Third Street which has resulted in potential title issues. The City’s purchase of the Property will complete the correction of this issue and in the event City does not elect to exercise the Option to purchase Property the Parties will work in good faith to correct any unresolved title issues resulting from the realignment of Third Street.

The option to purchase shall be for a period of two years (which may be extended for an additional year) allowing the City a license to enter onto the property and conduct necessary inspections / testing to determine its suitability. The negotiated value of the Property is set forth in the Agreement. The City further would commit to having completed its design for a parking garage with a minimum of 240 parking spaces prior to its exercise of the option. Further conditions and terms are set forth in the Agreement which shall be presented by the City Attorney during the meeting.

The City has not received the legal descriptions from the surveyor at the time of this memo. However such completed legal descriptions are expected to be received prior to the council meeting on March 3, 2021. Upon receipt and staff review, the City will update this agreement with the completed legal descriptions.

FINDINGS/CONCLUSIONS:

That the acquisition of the option to purchase real property described above and upon such terms and conditions as described is within the best interests of the City and shall serve the public interest.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into the Option for the Purchase and Sale of Real Property with Skagit County.