



**City of Mount Vernon
City Council Meeting Minutes
March 24, 2021**

Mayor Boudreau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Staff Present: City Attorney Rogerson, Finance Director Volesky, Public Works Director Bell, Police Chief Cammock, Fire Chief Brice, Development Services Director Phillips, Human Resources Director Keator, Parks and Enrichment Services Director Berner, Project Development Manager Donovan, Senior Planner Lowell and Battalion Chief Sanders

Citizens Present: 4

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of March 3, 2021 Study Session Minutes
- B. Approval of March 10, 2021 Regular Council Meeting
- C. Approval of March 19, 2021 payroll checks numbered 110619 – 110638, direct deposit checks numbers 81359 – 81582, and wire transfers numbered 955 – 959 in the amount of \$1,194,098.92
- D. Approval of March 24, 2021 Claims numbered 13026 – 13204 and wire transfers numbered 10421 in the amount of \$708,914.50

Councilmember Beaton moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-D. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hulst. Motion carried 7-0.

REPORTS

- A. Finance and Parks & Enrichment Services – see committee minutes for details
- B. Public comments sent via email to council@mountvernonwa.gov were read aloud by Mr. Donovan:
 - Nancy Thomas, Mount Vernon resident, addressed an ongoing issue with their property on Parkway Drive.
- C. Councilmember Comments

- Councilmember Hudson thanked the City of Burlington Council for moving forward with the emergency shelter project.
 - Councilmember Hulst stated that the Fireworks Committee is asking for community input via a survey available on the City's website.
 - Councilmember Morales spoke about recent gun violence and hate crimes that have taken place around the country.
- D. Mayor's Report
- Mayor Boudreau expressed pride in the Police Department's efforts and the support received from Legislature in addressing Police reform. She also stated her opposition to a portion of SB1054 related to armored vehicles.
- E. Committee Agenda Requests - none

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing – Vacation of a Portion of Kincaid Street: Ms. Lowell presented an ordinance authorizing the vacation and sale of a portion of Kincaid Street and determining fair market value of the property.

Mayor Boudreau opened the Public Hearing.

There being no comments, Mayor Boudreau closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to approve Ordinance 3826 authorizing the vacation and sale of a portion of Kincaid Street, and determining the fair market value of the property. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.

- B. Public Hearing – 2021 Comprehensive Plan Docket: Ms. Lowell presented a Resolution approving the 2021 Comprehensive Plan Docket which consists of legislative work program items.

Mayor Boudreau opened the Public Hearing.

There being no comments, Mayor Boudreau closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Hulst moved to approve Resolution 990 approving the 2021 Comprehensive Plan Docket. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hudson. Motion carried 7-0.

- C. Public Hearing – CBDG-CV3 Spending Plan: Mr. Donovan requested approval of an amendment to the 2019-20 Community and Economic Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plan to include CBDG-CV3 funds in the amount of \$262,227. The additional U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds will be allocated for motel vouchers, the purchase of pallet shelters to be loaned to the Skagit First Steps shelter program and administrative expenses.

Mayor Boudreau opened the Public Hearing.

There being no comments, Mayor Boudreau closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Brocksmith moved to approve the amendment to the 2019-20 CDBG Action Plan as stated above. Motion seconded by Councilmember Carías. Motion carried 7-0.

- D. Approval of the Teamsters Collective Bargaining Agreement: Ms. Keator requested approval the 2021 General Teamsters Local No. 231 Collective Bargaining Agreement. Details of the 2021 agreement include wages, scheduling, language updates, changes to the Notional HRA and mechanics tool reimbursement.

Councilmember Hulst moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into the 2021 General Teamsters Local No. 231 Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.

- E. Approval of Agreement with Public Consulting Group (PCG): Chief Bryce requested approval of a Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) agreement with Public Consulting Group.

Councilmember Hudson moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Public Consulting Group for ambulance transport services. Motion seconded by Councilmember Morales. Motion carried 7-0.

- F. Approval of Agreement with Forestland Response and Fire Equipment Assistance: Mr. Sanders requested approval of two Interlocal agreements with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources for mutual forestland response and fire equipment assistance.

Councilmember Morales moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into two Interlocal agreements with Washington State Department of Natural Resources for mutual forestland response and fire equipment assistance. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hudson. Motion carried 7-0.

- G. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Agreement with Carletti Architects: Mr. Bell requested approval of an amendment to agreement 3725 with Carletti Architects for additional services for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Administration Building remodel/addition in the amount of \$14,180.75.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into Amendment No. 1 to agreement 3725 with Carletti Architects, P.S. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hulst. Motion carried 7-0.

- H. Ordinance for New Residential Collection, Processing & Marketing of Curbside Recyclables: Mr. Bell presented an ordinance adopting a new residential collection, processing and marketing of curbside recyclables rates. The new rate is set at \$10.54 per month.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to approve Ordinance 3827 setting new rates for residential collection, processing and marketing of curbside recyclables. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.

- I. Resolution Approving Change in Control of Franchise: Mr. Rogerson presented a resolution approving the transfer of control of a franchise agreement from Astound Broadband, LLC dba Wave to Stonepeak Infrastructure Partners.

Councilmember Hudson moved to approve Resolution 991 transferring control of a Franchise Agreement. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hulst. Motion carried 7-0.

- J. Approval of Agreement for Legal Representation: Mr. Rogerson requested approval of an agreement with Cascadia Law Group to provide legal counseling and representation for certain environmental regulatory matters.

Councilmember Hulst moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Cascadia Law Group for legal services. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 7-0.

- K. Approval of Agreement for Legal Representation: Mr. Rogerson requested approval of an agreement with Keating, Bucklin & McCormack for legal counseling and representation for specific land use matters.

Councilmember Hudson moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Keating, Bucklin & McCormack for legal services. Motion seconded by Councilmember Morales. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Becky Jensen, Recording Clerk

ATTEST:

Doug Volesky, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Jill Boudreau, Mayor