



**City of Mount Vernon
City Council Meeting Minutes
April 26, 2023
Police Court Campus, 1805 Continental Place**

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

Present: Councilmembers Beaton, Brocksmitth, Carías, Hudson, Molenaar, and Morales

Absent: Councilmember Hulst (excused)

Staff Present: City Attorney Rogerson, Police Chief Cammock, Finance Director Volesky, Parks and Enrichment Services Director Berner, Assistant Fire Chief Harris, Special Projects Manager Donovan, Public Works Director Phillips (via Zoom), City Clerk Jensen, Human Resources Director Keator, IS Director Thomas, Development Services Director Groth, and Senior Planner Manville-Ailles

Citizens Present: 5

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Public Comments – Mr. Donovan read aloud emails sent to Community Comments.

- Scott Correa, Mount Vernon resident, spoke about bathroom facilities.
- Derrill Fussell, Skagit County resident, addressed lawsuits filed against Skagit County officials and employees.

Public Comments - In person

- None.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of April 12, 2023, Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of April 20, 2023, payroll checks numbered 111960 - 111977, direct deposit checks numbered 93517 - 93767, and wire transfers numbered 1205 - 1209 in the amount of \$1,417,546.96

- C. Approval of April 26, 2023, AP Claims numbered 21352 - 21538 in the amount of \$1,461,991.87

Councilmember Hudson moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A-C. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS

- A. Committees
1. Finance & Parks and Enrichment Services – see committee minutes for details.
 2. Development Services – see committee minutes for details.
- B. Councilmember Comments
- none
- C. Mayor's Report
- Martha's Place ribbon cutting took place this morning. Martha's Place is the first permanent supportive housing development in Skagit County.
 - Mount Vernon Library Commons Project Update was presented.
- D. Committee Agenda Requests
- none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Skagit PUD Update: Skagit PUD General Manager George Sidhu discussed the 2023-2027 Strategic Plan which includes budget, capital improvements, and service levels.
- B. Closed Record Public Hearing and Approval of Resolution – Expansion of Non-Conforming Structure, PLAN23-0543: Ms. Manville-Allies requested approval of PLAN23-0543, expansion of a non-conforming structure located at 1609 South 3rd Street, with Resolution 1033.
Mayor Boudreau opened the closed record public hearing.
Hearing no comments, Mayor Boudreau closed the public hearing

Councilmember Hudson moved to approve Resolution 1033 allowing the expansion of a non-conforming structure located at 1609 South 3rd

**Street. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton.
Motion carried 6-0.**

- C. Public Hearing and Approval of Resolution – 2023-2028 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): Mr. Phillips requested approval of the 2023-2028 Six-Year TIP with Resolution 1034. Mr. Philips reviewed the project items: Blackburn Road Extension, EV Vehicle and Bicycle Charging Facilities, 13th Street/Broad Street Signal, 6th Street/Division Street Realignment, and Kulshan Trail Safety Lighting Phases 2-4.

Mayor Boudreau opened the public hearing.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Boudreau closed the public hearing

Councilmember Beaton moved to approve Resolution 1034 adopting the 2023-2028 Six Year TIP. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 5-1. Councilmember Brocksmith opposed the motion.

- D. Approval of Agreement Amendment – HKP Architects, PLLC: Mr. Phillips requested approval of Amendment No. 3 to agreement 4071 with HKP Architects, PLLC for additional services for the Mount Vernon Library Commons Project.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into Amendment No. 3 to agreement 4071 with HKP Architects, PLLC in the amount of \$148,338. Motion seconded by Councilmember Morales. Motion carried 6-0.

- E. Approval of Agreement Amendment – TranTech Engineering: Mr. Phillips requested approval of Amendment No. 1 to agreement 4225 to provide construction management services on the 2022 Street Improvements Program.

Councilmember Beaton moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into Amendment No. 1 to agreement 4225 with TranTech Engineering in the amount of \$18,892.32. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hudson. Motion carried 6-0.

- F. Approval of Ordinance – 2023 Budget Amendment: Mr. Volesky

requested adoption of Ordinance 3868 amending the 2023 Budget by increasing the Equipment Replacement and Reserve Fund in the amount of \$670,000.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to adopt Ordinance 3868 amending the 2023 Budget. Motion seconded by Councilmember Morales. Motion carried 6-0.

- G. Approval of Ordinance – Chapter 12.32 City Parks: Mr. Rogerson requested adoption of Ordinance 3869 Amending Chapter 12.32 of the Mount Vernon Municipal Code granting full commission authority for the position of Park Ranger.

Councilmember Hudson moved to adopt Ordinance 3869 Amending Chapter 12.32 of the Mount Vernon Municipal Code. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 6-0.

- H. Approval of Agreement – Little Mountain House: Ms. Berner requested approval of a residential lease agreement for 2773 Little Mountain Road and the proposed rent adjustment.

Councilmember Hudson moved to approve the rent adjustment and to authorize the Mayor to enter into a residential lease agreement for 2773 Little Mountain Road. Motion seconded by Councilmember Carías. Motion carried 6-0.

The adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
Becky Jensen, City Clerk

Approved by: _____
Jill Boudreau, Mayor