



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LACEY CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2023,
IN PERSON AND REMOTE ATTENDANCE**

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ryder called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ryder led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Present:

Mayor Andy Ryder
Deputy Mayor Malcolm Miller
Councilmember Michael Steadman
Councilmember Lenny Greenstein (remote) (logged off at 7:00 p.m.)
Councilmember Carolyn Cox
Councilmember Ed Kunkel
Councilmember Robin Vazquez

Staff Present:

Robert Almada, Chief of Police
Dave Schneider, City Attorney
Troy Woo, Finance Director
Grant Beck, Planning and Development Services Manager
Aubrey Collier, City Engineer
Ryan Andrews, Planning Manager
Ashley Smith, Design and Construction Manager
Jennifer Adams, Housing Coordinator
Elissa Fontaine, City Clerk

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Council Worksession minutes of July 27, 2023.
- B. Council meeting minutes of August 3, 2023.

- C. A motion to approve payment of claims, wages and transfers for July 12, 2023, through August 4, 2023.

**DEPUTY MAYOR MILLER MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AND
CONSENT AGENDA. COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL SECONDED.
MOTION CARRIED.**

3. PUBLIC RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Verbal Public Comments: The deadline to pre-register to speak via Zoom was 4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

Zero (0) people signed up to speak via Zoom.

Three (3) people signed up to speak at the meeting:

Todd Monohon, property manager, spoke on the upcoming DRC contract and recommended Council identify alternatives in assisting tenants and landlords within the community.

Spencer Zeman, Lacey resident, asked Council to address the confusion surrounding conditional land use permits.

Terry Ballard, Lacey resident, spoke on alleged misconduct occurring towards campaign signs within the city.

Written Public Comments: The deadline to submit written public comments was 4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. Written comments are not addressed during the meeting; however, they are added to the official record.

Two (2) written public comments were received and made part of the record.

5. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Vacation of Unopened Right of Way:** Dave Schneider, City Attorney, provided a brief presentation on the vacation of the unopened right of way abutting Rainer Road.

Mayor Ryder opened the Vacation of Unopened Right of Way Hearing at 6:10 p.m.

Verbal Public Testimony: The deadline to pre-register to speak and provide public testimony was 4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

0 – people signed up to provide public testimony via Zoom.

1 – person signed up to speak at the meeting.

Janice Kilgore, Lacey resident, provided comments regarding preserving a tree located within the right of way.

Written Public Comments: The deadline to submit written public testimony was 4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. Written comments are not addressed during the meeting; however, they are added to the official record.

1 - written public testimony was received.

Mayor Ryder closed the Vacation of Unopened Right of Way Hearing at 6:18 p.m.

MAYOR RYDER MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 1641 RELATING TO THE VACATION OF AN UNOPENED RIGHT OF WAY ABUTTING RAINIER ROAD. COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

6. PROCLAMATIONS

A. Overdose Awareness Day: Mayor Ryder and Council proclaimed August 17, 2023, as Overdose Awareness Day. Katie Strozyk, Thurston County Opioid Response Coordinator, accepted the proclamation and provided additional information on upcoming Narcan training.

7. REFERRAL FROM PLANNING COMMISSION

A. Ordinance 1642: 2023 Comprehensive Plan Amendments: Ryan Andrews, Planning Manager, presented Ordinance 1642 relating to the 2023 Comprehensive Plan Amendments.

MAYOR RYDER MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 1642 RELATING TO 2023 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS. COUNCILMEMBER STEADMAN SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

8. REFERRAL FROM HEARINGS EXAMINER

9. RESOLUTIONS

10. ORDINANCES

A. Ordinance No. 1641: Vacation of Unopened Right of Way: Item was considered and adopted under agenda item 5.A.

B. Ordinance No. 1642: 2023 Comprehensive Plan Amendments: Item was considered and adopted under agenda item 7.A

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

12. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. Dispute Resolution Center Contract:** Jennifer Adams, Housing Coordinator, presented the draft contract between the City of Lacey and the Dispute Resolution Center.

COUNCILMEMBER VAZQUEZ MOVED TO AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE THURSTON COUNTY DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000, FOR SERVICES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023. DEPUTY MAYOR MILLER SECONDED.

MAYOR RYDER, DEPUTY MAYOR MILLER AND COUNCILMEMBERS STEADMAN, COX AND VAZQUEZ VOTED IN FAVOR. COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL VOTED AGAINST. COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN WAS NOT PRESENT TO VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.

- B. Regional Athletic Complex 20-Year Financial Plan:** Jen Burbidge, Parks, Culture and Recreation Director, presented the Regional Athletic Complex 20-Year Financial Plan for approval.

COUNCILMEMBER VAZQUEZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE REGIONAL ATHLETIC COMPLEX 20-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN. COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

- C. Transportation Benefit District Annual Report for 2022:** Ashley Smith, Design and Construction Manager, presented the 2022 Annual Report for the Transportation Benefit District.

- D. Other Items:** Troy Woo, Finance Director, did not have any items to present.

13. STANDING COMMITTEES

14. OTHER BUSINESS

15. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Mayor Ryder

1. Mayor's Forum: Made Report
2. Thurston Chamber Shared Legislative Committee: No report
3. Transportation Policy Board: No report

B. Deputy Mayor Miller

1. Economic Development Council (EDC): No report
2. Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC): Made report
3. Thurston County Coalition Against Trafficking (TCCAT): No report
4. Thurston Thrives: No report

5. Urban Growth Management Subcommittee: No report

C. Councilmember Cox

1. Climate Mitigation Steering Committee: No report
2. LOTT Clean Water Alliance: Made report
3. Regional Housing Council: No report

D. Councilmember Greenstein

1. Emergency Medical Services (EMS): Excused
2. TCOMM911: Excused

E. Councilmember Steadman

1. Community Action Council: Made report
2. Nisqually River Council: No report
3. Thurston County Law & Justice: No report

F. Councilmember Kunkel

1. Joint Animal Services Commission (JASCOM): Made report
2. Lacey South Sound Chamber: No report
3. Olympia-Lacey-Tumwater Visitor & Convention Bureau (VCB): Made report
4. Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC): Made report

G. Councilmember Vazquez

1. Intercity Transit: Made report
2. Olympic Region Clean Air Agency: No report
3. Thurston Regional Planning Council: No report
4. Thurston County Board of Health: Made report

16. Adjourn

Mayor Ryder adjourned the Council Meeting at 7:54 p.m.

MAYOR: _____

ATTESTED BY CITY CLERK: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____