

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LACEY CITY COUNCIL HELD THURSDAY,
JANUARY 7, 2021, REMOTE ATTENDANCE

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Ryder called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Ryder led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCIL PRESENT: A. Ryder, C. Pratt, L. Greenstein, C. Cox,
S. Steadman, E. Kunkel, M. Miller

STAFF PRESENT: S. Spence, J. Burbidge, S. Egger, M. Hardie,
D. Schneider, R. Walk, T. Woo, P. Edmonds

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
AND CONSENT AGENDA: Consent Agenda Items:
A. Council Meeting Minutes of December 3,
2020.
B. Council Worksession Minutes of December
10, 2020.
C. Council Meeting Minutes of December 17,
2020.
D. A motion to approve payment of claims,
wages and transfers for December 11, 2020,
through December 29, 2020.

Mayor Ryder noted the December 3, 2021,
Council minutes were approved at the December
17, 2021, Council meeting and should be
removed and the Consent Agenda amended.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRATT MOVED TO
APPROVE THE AGENDA AND AMENDED
CONSENT AGENDA. COUNCILMEMBER COX
SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Persons wishing to provide public comment on items not on the agenda must pre-register to speak. Registration closed at 3:00 p.m. today.

Kyrian MacMichael spoke against the political signs that have not been removed following the November election.

Wayne Olsen spoke in favor of the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan, and noted a petition was signed by Panorama residents in support of the Plan.

Barak Gale spoke in favor of the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.

Public comments may also be submitted by email by 12:00 p.m. today. Comments will be provided to the City Council electronically prior to the meeting. Comments will not be addressed during the meeting; however, comments received will be added to the official record.

Four written public comments were received and made part of the official record.

ORDINANCES:

Ryan Andrews, Planning Manager, presented Ordinance 1576 relating to Zoning Text Amendments in Lacey Municipal Code 16.29.

The Community and Economic Development Department received a private applicant-initiated zoning text amendment request. The request is to amend LMC 16.39 to allow buildings between 200,000 and 500,000 square feet, and establish standards applying to these uses within the Light Industrial-Commercial zone. The request is to amend specific text within the zoning code and does not require the

need to amend any policies within the Comprehensive Plan.

The Planning Commission reviewed the request, held a public hearing on November 17, 2020, and recommends the City Council approve the amendment. The only public comments received were in support of the application. After the public hearing, the Planning Commission voted 8-1 to recommend approval of the request based on the following findings of fact. The one dissenting vote stated that the request was contrary to the intent of the Light Industrial-Commercial zone and the vision of the City to accommodate a greater number of large buildings.

The Lacey Planning Commission recommends to the Lacey City Council the approval of the application to amend Chapter 16.39 of the Lacey Municipal Code to allow buildings between 200,000 and 500,000 square feet and establish standards to these uses within the Light Industrial-Commercial zone subject to the findings of fact presented.

COUNCILMEMBER STEADMAN MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 1576 APPROVING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENTS TO LMC 16.39 INCREASING THE SQUARE FOOTAGE LIMIT FOR BUILDINGS IN LIGHT INDUSTRIAL-COMMERCIAL ZONE SUBJECT TO THE FINDINGS OF FACT. COUNCILMEMBER KUNKEL SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

Troy Woo, Finance Director, presented Council with Ordinance 1577 relating to the Imprest (Petty) Cash Funds, and Ordinance 1578 repealing LMC 3.32 relating to the Interlocal Drug Enforcement Fund.

There are three cash fund changes being proposed. The City Council authorizes all city cash funds within

Title 3 Revenue and Finance of the Lacey Municipal Code (LMC). The proposed changes include the following:

1. Repeal the entire LMC Chapter 3.32, including two cash funds related to the operations of the Interlocal Drug Enforcement Fund.
2. Increase the Law Enforcement Investigative Fund to \$5,000 (LMC 3.36.030).
3. Add a new section authorizing a \$5,000 Social Service Fund (LMC 3.36.050).

COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 1577 AMENDING IMPREST (PETTY) CASH FUND LMC 3.36. DEPUTY MAYOR PRATT SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 1578 REPEALING THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE INTERLOCAL DRUG ENFORCEMENT FUND LMC 3.32. COUNCILMEMBER STEADMAN SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Ryder proposed the Council review their Intergovernmental Boards and Commission assignments and submit recommended changes before the January 14 Worksession.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Rick Walk, Community & Economic Development Director, presented Council with the Regional Housing Council Interlocal Agreement.

Over the last several months, the collective efforts of Thurston County and the cities of Lacey, Olympia, and Tumwater, worked to form a new partnership to

replace Health and Human Services Council (HHSC). This effort proposes to create the Regional Housing Council (RHC) as the primary advisory body to help guide and direct public funds to address social services and housing needs within the Thurston Region. A new interlocal agreement (ILA) formalizes this new direction. The ILA has been modified to include acknowledgement that 2060 funds will continue to be used as the match to the HOME funds as requested by City Council.

The RHC will be comprised of elected representatives and senior staff from Thurston County and the Cities of Lacey, Olympia, and Tumwater. Councilmember Cox and Councilmember Greenstein (alternate) will represent the City of Lacey on the RHC. Staff support will be provided by Scott Spence, City Manager, and Rick Walk, Director of Community & Economic Development.

The purpose of the RHC is to be a regional forum to discuss and coordinate actions related to housing and homelessness and to leverage resources and partnerships through policies and projects that promote equitable access to safe and affordable housing.

Specifically, the RHC will make recommendations related to funding a regional response to homelessness and affordable housing through existing and future Federal, State, and local funding programs, which may include but not limited to:

- RCW 36.22.179 (ESSHB 2163)
- RCW 36.22.178 (SHB 2060) funds
- HOME Investment Partnership Program ("HOME")
- Consolidated Homeless Grant ("CHG")
- Housing and Essential Needs ("HEN")
- RCW 82.14.540 (SHB 1406)
- Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG")

- And, other related funding sources such as a regional home fund to help implement the five-year HCRP and increase affordable housing options.

Originally, the City Council approved the ILA at its August 27, 2020, meeting. At that time the ILA included the communities of Tenino, Rainier, and Bucoda. Subsequent to the City Council's passage of the ILA, Tenino, Rainier, and Bucoda, informed Thurston County that they would not be participating. As a result, the original ILA was never ratified, and a new ILA is necessary, excluding the three communities, to formalize the RHC.

Staff noted the notification section of the ILA will be revised to reflect the City of Yelm's correct address.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRATT MOVED TO APPROVE THE REGIONAL HOUSING COUNCIL INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT. COUNCILMEMBER COX SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

Puna Clark, Utility Engineer, recommended awarding Contract Number PW2020-24 to low bidder NW Cascade in the amount \$395,021.52 for the Manhole Rehabilitation 2020 Project. The engineer's estimate was \$571,505.60.

COUNCILMEMBER STEADMAN MOVED TO AWARD CONTRACT NUMBER PW 2020-24 TO LOWER BIDDER NW CASCADE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$395,021.52 FOR THE MANHOLE REHABILITATION 2020 PROJECT. COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

Scott Spence, City Manager, reported to Council on the following interlocal agreement, which was approved by the City Manager pursuant to Resolution

1067 and the Interlocal Agreements Approval Process Policy.

- Capital Metro Independent Investigation Team between the cities of Lacey, Olympia, Tumwater, and Yelm.

Scott Spence, City Manager, announced the City will retain Congressional District 10 offices on the 3rd floor

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance & Economic Development Committee

Mayor Ryder reported the Committee met on December 22, 2020, to discuss proposed changes to the Imprest Cash Fund and Interlocal Drug Enforcement Fund.

General Government & Public Safety Committee

Deputy Mayor Pratt reported the Committee met on December 22, 2020, to discuss the Police Department Independent Investigation Team, and a recommendation by Joint Animal Services Commission to adopt an ordinance restricting the resale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in retail stores.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Ryder accepted public comment from Carol Robinson due to technical difficulties she experienced during the Public Comment period.

Ms. Robinson shared concerns relating to a political rally held November 14, 2021, where she witnessed reckless driving and intimidation.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS

AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Ryder asked Council to consider inviting the Youth Council Mayor to either the Lacey City Council meetings or Worksessions as a non-voting member.

Intercity Transit

Councilmember Cox reported on service levels, surplus van grant recipient, and the Walk N Roll youth education program.

TCOMM911

Councilmember Greenstein reported on subscriber equipment, the Family First Act extension, and legislation relating to training and certification of 911 operators.

Solid Waste Advisory Council

Councilmember Steadman reported a Request for Proposal will be issued next week for the operation and maintenance of the solid waste facilities, transportation, and disposal.

Mayor Ryder adjourned the Council Meeting at 9:03 p.m.

MAYOR: _____

ATTESTED BY CITY CLERK: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____