

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LACEY CITY COUNCIL HELD THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 24, 2020, REMOTE ATTENDANCE

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Ryder called the meeting to order at
4:00 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, S. Egger, D. Schneider, R. Andrews, S.
Carlson, E. Fontaine

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
AND CONSENT AGENDA:

Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Council Worksession Minutes of September 3,
2020
- B. Council Meeting Minutes of September 10,
2020
- C. A motion to approve payment of claims, wages
and transfers for September 4, 2020, through
September 16, 2020.

DEPUTY MAYOR PRATT MOVED TO APPROVE
THE CONSENT AGENDA. COUNCILMEMBER
STEADMAN 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.

Wayne Olson, Lacey resident, registered to speak during public comment period relating to the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.

Sam Merrill registered to speak during public comment period relating to 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.

One public comment was received and made part of the record.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Ryder and Council proclaimed September 2020 as Emergency Preparedness Month. Sarah Carlson, City of Lacey Emergency Management & Safety Coordinator accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Ryder and Council proclaimed September 22, 2020, as National Voter Registration Day. Emmett O'Connell, Education & Outreach Specialist, accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Thurston County Auditor's Office

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Ryder provided an update on how the COVID-19 pandemic is impacting military families on Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Ryan Andrews, Planning Manager, presented the Serenity Carpenter Road Annexation Project #20-183.

The City received a notice of intent to commence annexation proceedings filed by Serenity Apartment Homes, LLC. The filing of the notice is the first step in

the annexation process under the petition method RCW 35A.14.120, which requires a petition filed by property owners representing a minimum of 10% of the valuation of the area proposed for annexation. The City has verified the ownership does comprise a minimum of more than 10% of the assessed valuation for general taxation purposes of the properties for which annexation is requested.

The area proposed for annexation is located in the Tanglewilde/Thompson Plan Planning Area and with the Lacey Urban Growth Area east of Carpenter Road SE, west of Kinwood Road SE between Martin Way East and 5th Way SE.

As a result of the petition, the Utilities Committee reviewed the annexation request under the 60% petition method and has recommended that the Council pass a motion indicating the following:

1. Authorize the applicants to circulate a petition and gather signatures of property owners representing at least 60% of the assessed value of the annexation property demonstrating their consent to annex;
2. Require the parcel to the south of the parcel submitted for the notice of intent to commence annexation (assessor's parcel no. 11815310200) also be included within the boundary of the area to be considered for annexation;
3. Require the assumption of all or of any portion of existing City indebtedness by the area to be annexed; and
4. Waive the requirement for completion of an annexation study in accordance with the City's annexation policies prior to adoption of an ordinance to formally annex the area or make application to the Boundary Review Board.

COUNCILMEMBER STEADMAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED SERENITY CARPENTER ROAD ANNEXATION WITH THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS:

1) AUTHORIZE THE APPLICANTS TO CIRCULATE A PETITION AND GATHER SIGNATURES OF PROPERTY OWNERS REPRESENTING AT LEAST 60% OF THE ASSESSED VALUE OF THE ANNEXATION PROPERTY DEMONSTRATING THEIR CONSENT TO ANNEX;

2) REQUIRE THE PARCEL TO THE SOUTH OF THE PARCEL SUBMITTED FOR THE NOTICE OF INTENT TO COMMENCE ANNEXATION (ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 11815310200) ALSO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE BOUNDARY OF THE AREA TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ANNEXATION;

3) REQUIRE THE ASSUMPTION OF ALL OR OF ANY PORTION OF EXISTING CITY INDEBTEDNESS BY THE AREA TO BE ANNEXED; AND

4) WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR COMPLETION OF AN ANNEXATION STUDY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY'S ANNEXATION POLICIES PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE TO FORMALLY ANNEX THE AREA OR MAKE APPLICATION TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW BOARD.

COUNCILMEMBER MILLER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Ryder advised staff the annexation policy should be reviewed in order to streamline the process.

Scott Egger, Public Works Director, requested Council award Lacey Contract Number PW 2017-16 to low bidder Barcott Construction, LLC from Chehalis, Washington in the amount of \$1,124,333.75.

This project will improve the west side of Ruddell Road from approximately 27th Avenue to Brentwood Drive to include a new retaining wall, widened sidewalk, street lighting, and landscaping.

The project was advertised for three weeks and bids were opened September 10, 2020. Sufficient funds are available in the Arterial Street Fund.

Start date of the project is anticipated to be begin in November, and there are 100 working days allotted.

COUNCILMEMBER STEADMAN MOVED TO APPROVE AWARDED LACEY CONTRACT NUMBER PW 2017-16 TO LOW BIDDER BARCOTT CONSTRUCTION, LLC. FROM CHEHALIS, WASHINGTON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,124,333.75. MAYOR RYDER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

Scott Spence, City Manager, advised the Diverging Diamond Interchange closures have been extended to reflect October 2, 2020, at 8:00 am to October 5, 2020, at 5:00 pm. due to weather constraints.

STANDING GENERAL
COMMITTEE:

Utilities Committee

Councilmember Steadman reported the Committee met on September 8, 2020, and discussed the Serenity Carpenter Road Annexation.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

Intercity Transit

Councilmember Cox reported on several items:

- Held a Public Hearing on the 2020-2025 Draft Transit Development Plan
- Federal Advocacy Report review
- Reviewed the draft 2021 Budget

Regional Housing Council

Councilmember Cox reported on the following:

- Elected Jim Cooper as Chair
- Elected John Hutchings as Vice Chair
- Established working groups and appointed liaisons

Emergency Medical Services

Councilmember Greenstein reported the EMT training is moving forward using Cares Act Funding due to social distancing requirements.

LTAC

Councilmember Miller announced full funding was approved for the following five programs:

- Experience Olympia
- Lacey South Sound Chamber
- Washington Center for the Performing arts
- Regional Athletic Complex
- Lacey Museum

Community Action Council

Councilmember Steadman reported the following:

- Review of the budget accounted for additional funds
- Approved to have executive members remain in current positions.

Lacey South Sound Chamber

Councilmember Kunkel announced Blake Knoblauch was named as the new Executive Director.

Economic Development Council

Councilmember Kunkel reported on several items:

- Thurston County has lowest COVID-19 death count for Washington.
- Thurston County has highest consumer spending for 2020.
- Provided over \$700,000 in grants to local businesses, including 31 Lacey businesses.

Councilmember Kunkel also provided an update on the Goldstar Memorial Foundation Board regarding awareness and funding opportunities.

Mayor Ryder convened Council to Executive Session at 5:12 p.m. for 30 minutes to discuss the following:

- Pending Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)
- Potential Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)
- City Manager Performance Review per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

The Executive Session will conclude at 5:42 p.m.

Mayor Ryder came out of Executive Session at 5:40 p.m. to extend the session by 15 minutes to 5:55 p.m.

Mayor Ryder came out of Executive Session at 5:55 p.m. to extend the session by 15 minutes to 6:10 p.m.

Mayor Ryder came out of Executive Session at 6:10 p.m. to extend the session by 5 minutes to 6:15 p.m.

Mayor Ryder concluded the Executive Session at 6:16 p.m. and reconvened the Council meeting. Mayor Ryder adjourned the Council meeting at 6:16 p.m.

MAYOR: _____

ATTESTED BY CITY CLERK: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____