

WALLA WALLA CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 23, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Present: Councilmembers Yazmin Bahena, Riley Clubb, Myron Huie, Steve Moss, Tom Scribner, and Mayor Barbara Clark.

Absent: Councilmember Jerry Cummins.

City staff in attendance: Deputy City Manager Byron Olson, City Attorney Tim Donaldson, Fleet Services Manager Matt Edwards, Planner Melissa Shumake, and City Clerk Kammy Hill.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilmember Clubb led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jordan Michaels, Walla Walla, asked the City Council to modify the ordinance allowing for low income utility discounts to make the funding for the program voluntary rather than mandatory.

Dorothy Knudson, Walla Walla, suggested the Port of Walla Walla property along Dell Avenue be rezoned from Industrial to Residential.

Vic Diaz, Walla Walla, asked if there was any update on the suggestion to track greenhouse gas emissions.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Hill introduced the Consent Agenda, Items A through C, as follows:

- A. Approval of a secondhand dealer business license for Yeehaw Aloha (second store) at 9 W. Birch Street.

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- B. Resolution No. 2019-120 authorizing the purchase of a water distribution service truck through Maintainer Corporation for \$165,000.

- C. Ordinance No. 2019-23 vacating the remaining alley in Block 22 of Ritz's Addition (alley accessing North 12th Avenue between West Main Street and West Rose Street).

There were questions on Item B. Council asked that the Item be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration.

Mayor Clark invited public input. No one in the audience chose to address the City Council on any of these items.

Councilmember Moss moved to adopt Consent Agenda Items A and C. Councilmember Bahena seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

5. ACTIVE AGENDA

- B. Resolution No. 2019-120 authorizing the purchase of a water distribution service truck through Maintainer Corporation for \$165,000.

Councilmember Moss moved to adopt Resolution No. 2019-120. Councilmember Clubb seconded the motion.

There was extensive discussion on the components included in this service truck and why these tools are necessary for the water distribution division to perform their work.

The motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-120 unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

- A. Approval of minutes of the Work Session held October 7, 2019.

Councilmember Moss moved to approve the minutes of the Work Session held October 7, 2019. Councilmember Clubb seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 5 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention by Councilmember Scribner.

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B. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held October 9, 2019.

Councilmember Moss moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 9, 2019. Councilmember Bahena seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 5 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention by Councilmember Scribner.

6. COUNCIL MEMBER MEETING REPORTS

Councilmember Moss reported attendance at the affordable housing task force meeting held October 15; the Blue Mountain Community Foundation annual meeting held October 17; the Work Session held October 21; and the candidate's forum held October 22.

Councilmember Huie reported attendance at a Jim Bock radio interview on October 11; the Fort Walla Walla Museum Board meeting held October 15; a lunch with City Manager Shawa held October 16; the Good Roads Committee meeting held October 16; the earthquake drill at City Hall held October 17; the Balloon Stampede Night Glow event held October 18; the Work Session held October 21; and the candidate's forum held October 22.

Councilmember Bahena reported attendance at the affordable housing task force meeting held October 15; the Downtown Walla Walla Foundation Board meeting held October 15; the Civil Service Commission meeting held October 16; the Valley Transit Board meeting held October 17; and the Work Session held October 21.

Councilmember Clubb reported attendance at the affordable housing task force meeting held October 15; the Visit Walla Walla Board meeting held October 16; the Blue Mountain Action Council Board meeting held October 17; the Sustainability Committee meeting held October 17; the Work Session held October 21; and the Community Council's affordable housing task force meeting held October 21.

Councilmember Scribner reported attendance at the Work Session held October 21.

Mayor Clark reported attendance on the Grapevine radio on October 11; the continuity of operations exercise held October 11; the Emergency Management Board meeting held October 15; the glass crushing

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demonstration held October 15; the agenda preparation meeting held October 16; the Sustainability Committee meeting held October 17; and the Work Session held October 21.

There was discussion on the recent review by the Sustainability Committee of the request to measure greenhouse gas emissions. The Committee will continue to discuss this issue as part of their review of prioritizing projects.

7. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

Staff reviewed Ordinance No. 2019-24 to amend Section 13.06.010 of the Municipal Code to correct a definition for the expansion of the low-income utility discount program.

Councilmember Huie moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-24. Councilmember Clubb seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Councilmember Moss moved to excuse the absence of Councilmember Jerry Cummins. Councilmember Scribner seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

The suggestion to rezone property along Dell Avenue from industrial to residential would require an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan which is only done on an annual basis.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.