October 24, 2017 Special & Regular Meeting Minutes
Approved: December 12, 2017

City of Covington
Special & Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 24, 2017

INTERVIEWS—6:40-7:00 P.M.:
The Council conducted an interview for the Youth Council. Applicant interviewed: Fayth Njenga.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington was called to order in the City Council Chambers, 16720 SE 271st Street, Suite 100, Covington, Washington, Tuesday, October 24, 2017, at 7:03 p.m., with Mayor Wagner presiding.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:
Jeff Wagner, Joe Cimaomo, Margaret Harto, Fran Hollums, Marilla Mhoon, and Sean Smith.

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:
Mark Lanza.

Council Action: Councilmember Hollums moved and Councilmember Cimaomo seconded to excuse Councilmember Lanza. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

STAFF PRESENT:
Kathy Hardy, City Attorney and Acting City Manager; Andrew McCurdy, Covington Police Chief; Ethan Newton, Parks & Recreation Director; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Rob Hendrickson, Finance Director; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

Mayor Wagner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to approve the Agenda. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Mayor Wagner called for public comments.

Mary Pritchard, Covington resident, provided positive feedback on the Jenkins Creek Park Master Plan Public Workshop held on October 18.

Cynthia Calhoun, Covington resident, promoted the Covington citizens group and invited people to join.

A citizen began to speak regarding the budget, and Mayor Wagner advised her that comments regarding the budget would be taken during the Public Hearing public comment period.

There being no further comments, Mayor Wagner closed the public comment period.
APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

C-1. Minutes: May 24, 2017 City Council Special Joint Meeting with Black Diamond and Maple Valley Minutes and July 25, 2017 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

C-2. Vouchers: Vouchers #36480 - #36530, including ACH payments in the amount of $1,379,891.28, dated October 13, 2017; and Paylocity Payroll Vouchers #1007516122 - #1007516139 inclusive, plus employee direct deposits and wire transfers, in the amount of $195,056.71, dated October 06, 2017.

C-3. Authorize City Manager to Execute 2018-2019 South County Area Transportation Board Agreement and Adopt Operating Procedures Revision.

C-4. Accept Detention Pond Restoration Project.

ORDINANCE NO. 15-2017


ORDINANCE NO. 16-2017


Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Harto seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.
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REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:
Human Services Commission — no report.

Arts Commission — Chair Ed White reported on the October 12 meeting.

Parks & Recreation Commission — Chair Laura Morrissey reported on the October 18 meeting.

Youth Council — Anna McLaughlin reported on the August 15, September 19, and October 17 meetings.

Planning Commission — No report. September and October meetings canceled.

Economic Development Council — Chair Josh Lyons reported on the September 28 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS
1. Receive Public Testimony and Presentation from Staff Regarding 2018 Revenue Sources and Possible Increase in Property Tax Revenues.

Finance Director Rob Hendrickson gave the staff report on this item.

Mayor Wagner called for public comments for the public hearing.

A citizen spoke, but due to technical difficulties in the recording of the meeting, this item was not captured in the record.

There being no further comments, Mayor Wagner closed the public comment period for the public hearing.


Community Development Director Richard Hart gave the staff report on this item.

Mayor Wagner called for public comments for the public hearing.

There being no comments, Mayor Wagner closed the public comment period for the public hearing.

ORDINANCE NO. 17--2017

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT SIGNS; CONTINUING INTERIM ZONING REGULATIONS FOR TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT SIGNS; ADMINISTRATION, PERMITTING, AND ENFORCEMENT IN THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE
(CMC) CHAPTER 18.55; ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Hollums seconded to pass Ordinance No. 17-2017, in substantial form as that provided in the Agenda Packet, to continue the interim sign regulations for an additional six months for both temporary and permanent signs until May 9, 2018. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:
3. Consider Appointment to Youth Council.

Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Hollums seconded to appoint Fayth Njenga to fill Position No. 9 on the Youth Council with a term expiring October 31, 2018. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.


Personnel Manager Noreen Beaufrere gave the staff report on this item.

Council Action: Councilmember Hollums moved and Councilmember Cimaomo seconded to approve the new City Manager Evaluation procedure and template. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:
Councilmembers reviewed future agenda items.

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:
Councilmembers and staff made comments.

Council Action: There was Council consensus to move the discussion of Safe Injection Sites agenda item to the November 28 meeting as requested by Councilmember Mhoon.

City Attorney Kathy Hardy reminded the audience that the Public Comment periods during Council meetings cannot be used to campaign for or against any ballot measure or candidate.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Mayor Wagner called for public comments.

Stephen Bahr, Covington resident, spoke as a brand-new resident about how he and his family were enjoying Covington after their move from Florida.

There being no further comments, Mayor Wagner closed the public comment period.
ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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