

**City of Covington  
Special & Regular City Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, November 27, 2018**

**INTERVIEWS:** The Council conducted an interview for the Human Services Commission from 5:40 to 6:00 p.m. Applicant interviewed: Karson Humiston.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington was called to order in the City Council Chambers, 16720 SE 271<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 100, Covington, Washington, Tuesday, November 27, 2018, at 7:07 p.m., with Mayor Wagner presiding.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jeff Wagner, Joe Cimaomo, Margaret Harto, Fran Hollums, Marlla Mhoon, Paul Selland, and Sean Smith.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Regan Bolli, City Manager; Andrew McCurdy, Covington Police Chief; Ethan Newton, Parks & Recreation Director; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Gina Estep, Community Development Director; Rob Hendrickson, Finance Director; Casey Parker, Sr. Accountant; Kathy Hardy, City Attorney; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

Mayor Wagner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

The agenda was approved as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Wagner called for public comments.

**Leroy Stevenson, Covington resident,** expressed concern about cost of developing the city mascot.

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

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

C-1. Vouchers: Vouchers #38271 - #38327, including ACH payments in the amount of \$1,033,294.70, dated November 9, 2018; and Paylocity Payroll Vouchers #1009507078 - #1009507088 inclusive, plus employee direct deposits and wire transfers, in the amount of \$220,268.04, dated November 16, 2018.

C-2. Approve 2018-2024 Human Services Master Plan.

C-3. Authorize City Manager to Execute Amendment to Agreement with ECONorthwest for Financial/ Economic Consultant Services.

- C-4. Pass Resolution to Authorize City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Kara Murphy Richards for Prosecution Services.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH KARA MURPHY RICHARDS FOR THE PROVISION OF PROSECUTION SERVICES.

- C-5. Pass Resolution to Approve Final Plat of Cedar Creek Park and Major Tree Clearing Permit for Recording.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF CEDAR CREEK PARK & MAJOR TREE CLEARING PERMIT, LU16-0001/0020 & LU16-0002/0020 FOR RECORDING.

- C-6. Authorize the City Manager to Execute Supplement Number 1 with DCI Engineers for Additional Real Estate Services and Local Agency Agreement Supplement Number 6 with Washington State Department of Transportation for SR 516: Jenkins Creek to 185th Place SE (CIP 1127) Project.

The consent agenda was approved as presented.

**REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:**

**Economic Development Council** – No report.

**Parks & Recreation Commission** – No report.

**Planning Commission** – Chair David Caudle gave the report.

**Youth Council** – No report.

**Human Services Commission** – No report.

**Arts Commission** – Chair Ed White gave the report.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. To Receive Public Testimony on Proposed FY2019 Operating & Capital Budget.

Mayor Wagner called for public comments for the public hearing.

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

There was Council consensus to fund the police officer and training decision cards from the Town Center fund.

2. To Receive Public Testimony and Consider Ordinance Amending the 2015-2035 Comprehensive Plan.

Senior Planner Ann Mueller gave the staff report on this item.

Mayor Wagner called for public comments for the public hearing.

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

#### ORDINANCE NO. 09-2018

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON AMENDING THE CITY OF COVINGTON 2015-2035 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY AMENDING THE LAND USE ELEMENT; THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT ELEMENT; THE CAPITAL FACILITIES AND UTILITIES ELEMENT; THE PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT; AND BY AMENDING THE REFERENCES TO THE CRITICAL AQUIFER RECHARGE AREA MAP IN THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 18.65.311.  
(AMENDING ORD. NO. 02-2016)

**Council Action: Councilmember Harto moved and Councilmember Hollums seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 09-2018 approving the city-initiated 2018 Docket items to amend the 2015-2035 Comprehensive Plan and the associated amendment to the Covington Municipal Code. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

3. Consider Appointment to Human Services Commission.

**Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded to appoint Karson Humiston to fill youth Position No. 4 on the Human Services Commission with a term expiring March 31, 2019. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

4. Present Arts Commission Recommendation for Vinyl Wraps.

Cultural Arts & Recreation Manager Pat Patterson gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and Mr. Patterson provided responses.

**Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Mhoon seconded to authorize the selection of three graphic designs and installment of vinyl wraps at SR 516 and 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, SR 516 and 172<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE, and SR 516 and Wax Road as recommended by the Arts Commission. Vote: 6-1 (voting yes: Cimaomo, Harto, Hollums, Mhoon, Smith, and Wagner; voting no: Selland). Motion carried.**

5. Consider Ordinance Setting 2018 Property Tax Levy for Collection in 2019.

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

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and Mr. Hendrickson provided responses.

ORDINANCE NO. 10-2018

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, PASSING THE REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR 2018 FOR COLLECTION IN 2019.

**Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Harto seconded to pass Ordinance No. 10-2018, in substantial form as that presented, setting the 2018 property tax levy for collection in 2019 at \$2,850,000. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

6. Consider Ordinance Authorizing a Property Tax Increase in Terms of Both Dollars and Percentages to be Collected in the 2019 Tax Year.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 11-2018

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZING A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE IN TERMS OF BOTH DOLLARS AND PERCENTAGES, TO BE COLLECTED IN THE 2019 TAX YEAR, AS PURSUANT TO RCW 84.55.120.

**Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Harto seconded to pass Ordinance No. 11-2018, in substantial form as that presented, authorizing the 2018 property tax levy for taxes to be collection in 2019, to increase by 0.38 percent (0.38%), or \$10,309, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120. Vote: 7-0. Motion carried.**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Councilmembers reviewed future agenda items.

**COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:**

Councilmembers and staff made comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Wagner called for public comments.

**Leroy Stevenson, Covington resident,** provided comments on governance.

**Mary Pritchard, Covington resident,** requested Council to ban plastic bags in Covington.

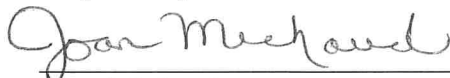
**Elizabeth Porter, Covington resident,** requested Council to use volunteers as much as possible.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

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