



## MINUTES

### City Council Regular Meeting

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6:00 PM – Monday, November 7, 2022

Council Chambers/GoToMeetings

#### CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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Mayor Logan called the meeting of the Othello City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. and led a silent invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

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Tania Morelos, City Clerk

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer

Abner Garza, IT Director

Phil Schenck, Police Chief

Dave Rehaume, Assistant Police Chief

Anne Henning, Community Development Director

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer

#### CITIZEN INPUT

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Jake Mendez Jr. addresses the City Council and Police Department regarding traffic safety on 1<sup>st</sup> and Scootney due to parked vehicles blocking the view of pedestrians.

#### ROLL CALL

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Councilmembers Present:

Jonathan Erickson

Corey Everett

Mark Snyder

John Lallas

Genna Dorow

Angel Garza

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE AGENDA. M/S Snyder/Lallas**

## CONSENT OF AGENDA

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- A. Award Scootney and 14<sup>th</sup> Safety Improvements Project

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. M/S Garza/Dorow**

**Councilman Everett opposed.**

## CURRENT BUSINESS

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### **CITY COUNCIL INTERVIEWS**

The City Council conducted interviews for four candidates for the City Council member position #5. Candidates interviewed were Darryl Barnes, Odelia Linden, Alma Carmona, and Danae Valdez.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION: DELIBERATIONS**

Mayor Logan announced that Council will now adjourn at 7:16 pm to go into an Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(g) to review the qualifications of an applicant for public employment. The Executive Session is expected to last 20 minutes. No action will be taken during the executive session.

The session was extended an additional 15 minutes. Mayor Logan reconvened the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

### **OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW COUNCIL MEMBER**

**Council carried a motion to APPOINT DANAE VALDEZ TO FILL THE VACANCY FOR THE OTHELLO CITY COUNCIL POSITION #5. M/S Lallas/Dorow**

City Clerk, Tania Morelos administered the Oath of Office to the newly appointed Council Member, Danae Valdez.

### **BUDGET RETREAT**

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer introduces the proposed budget and all the red zone items which will be presented by department heads.

Much discussion ensued during the budget. The meeting ran long and staff/council still had many items to discuss. Council and Mayor Logan decided to pause the discussion at 9:06pm and continue the budget retreat to the following City Council meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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- Mayor Logan reads an email to the City Council by the Fire Chief regarding the new fire truck.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Mayor Logan announces a new grant writer has been hired, Sarah Montemayor and she will begin on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 9:09p.m.

By:

  
Shawn Logan, Mayor

ATTEST:

By:   
Tania Morelos, City Clerk