



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:30 PM – Monday, January 11, 2021

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CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Logan called the meeting of the Othello City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. and led a silent invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:

John Lallas

Jonathan Erickson

Corey Everett

Mark Snyder

Genna Dorow

Maria Quezada

Angel Garza

Councilmembers Absent:

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Shawn Logan, Mayor

Tania Morelos, City Clerk

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer

Phil Schenck, Police Chief

Anne Henning, Community Development Director

Abner Garza, IT Director

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer

CITIZEN INPUT

Roger Enz, 1150 E. Oak Street reads a letter to Council regarding his concerns about the bulb outs proposed for Ash Street.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT OF AGENDA

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of December 14, 2020 and January 4, 2021
- B. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. M/S Quezada/Lallas

CURRENT BUSINESS

SWEARING IN OF MARTIN GARZA AND AWARDS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Logan welcomes Officer Martin Garza, gives a brief bio and swears him in as they recite the Oath of Office. Chief Schenck presents awards to Sergeant Brent McFarlane for Supervisor of the Year, Officer Steve Perez as Officer of the Year, and Administrative Assistant Evelyn Miron for Support Staff of the Year.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT- REQUEST TO SUPPORT OR OPPOSE PROPOSED LEGISLATION BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE

Mayor Logan presents two proposals by the State Legislature to City Council. Proposals to consider were OPMA Amendment: House Bill 1056 and Fiscal Flexibility: House Bill 1069. Council unanimously is opposed of both proposed bills.

IT BUDGET AMENDMENT

Abner Garza, IT Director explains due to COVID-19 many IT projects were put on hold in 2020 therefore staff is requesting to bring forward the unspent budget from 2020 to 2021.

Council carried a motion to ALLOW STAFF TO BRING FORWARD THE UNSPENT BUDGET FROM 2020 TO 2021, FOR THE ABOVE-MENTIONED IT PROJECTS. M/S Dorow/Quezada

OTHELLO WASTEWATER CONTRACT AMENDMENT #1

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer presents a contract amendment between the City of Othello and Varela and Associates. The contract revisions include design of a chlorine disinfection system for the effluent of the wastewater treatment plant and preparation of additional sampling plans (QAPPs) required by the final NPDES permit issued by the Washington State Department of Ecology (ECY), dated October 1, 2020. The attached contract includes only a portion of the work needed for the City to comply with the 2020 NPDES permit.

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH VARELA AND ASSOCIATES FOR \$127,030. M/S Erickson/Lallas

STREET CLASSIFICATION MAP

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer presents a Street Classification map that will provide direction to staff and property owners on the City's transportation current and future transportation needs. The Water-Sewer-Street Committee and the Planning Commission both recommended City Council adopt the map, but the Planning Commission recommended a few revisions. Once the

map is adopted, it may be used as a tool for identifying improvements required to meet the community's needs in a consistent manner.

Council carried a motion to ADOPT THE STREET CLASSIFICATION MAP WITH THE CHANGES NOTED BY SHAWN O'BRIEN. M/S Dorow/Lallas

OPPOSED- Erickson/Everett/Snyder

IN SUPPORT- Dorow/Lallas, Garza, Quezada

SANDHILL ESTATES III VARIANCE REQUEST

Councilman Garza recuses himself due to conflict of interest.

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer presents four variance requests to a developer's agreement for Sandhill Estates III. The developer has requested that the City participate in the costs for the extra width to construct an arterial (58' wide) or collector (48' wide) in place of a residential (42' wide) street. Approving a collector street would reduce the City's share of the costs. The developer has also requested that the City participate in the cost for installing 4 inches of asphalt for a collector street versus the 3 inches required for a residential street. Approving the request for 3 inches of asphalt would reduce the City's share of the costs.

Much discussion ensued.

Council carried a motion to TABLE THE MATTER TO A LATER DATE. M/S Lallas/Dorow

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilman Snyder asks for an update on the Well House.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

COUNCIL WILL ALSO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING

- Building and Planning Report

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 7:57 p.m.

By: _____

SHAWN R. LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____

TANIA MORELOS, CITY CLERK

