



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:30 PM – Monday, October 25, 2021

Council Chambers/GoToMeetings

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-GoToMeetings

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

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer

CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CONSENT OF AGENDA

- A. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks
- B. Approval of City Council Minutes for October 11, 2021

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

CURRENT BUSINESS

TOURISM FUND

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer gives a report of the committee recommendation allocations of tourism funds for the organizations who promote tourism in Othello and who applied this year.

SEWER RATES ORDINANCE

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer informs Council the sewer committee decided it would be best to keep the Cities sewer rate the same for the next three years as it would be sufficient to meet the goals of the City.

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE ORDINANCE ADOPTING SEWER RATES FOR THE YEARS 2022, 2023, AND 2024. M/S Dorow/Snyder

PUBLIC WORKS DESIGN STANDARDS REVISION

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer explains there have been some minor changes to the existing Standards and Details and one new Detail (NP-2) for our non-potable system.

Council carried a motion to ADOPT THE STANDARDS FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY. M/S Lallas/Erickson

ASSISTED LIVING IN C-1 INTRODUCTION

Anne Henning, Community Development Director introduces the idea of an assisted living facility along with some commercial businesses at the former Columbia Basin Health clinic at Main Street. There would need to be code revisions to the ordinance to allow this idea in a C-1 zone yet the Planning Commission was in favor of it. Councilman Lallas suggested a site plan before making ordinance revisions.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

Mayor Logan opened the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

Anne Henning, Community Development Director gives a staff report on ADU's.

Mayor Logan opens the public testimony portion for those in support, neutral, opposed.

Chris Dorow, addresses Council as a member of the public and not as a Planning Commissioner in support of ADU's. Dorow speaks regarding his evolution of opinion on the issue of ADU's since the first day it was presented to him.

Council asked questions and discussion ensued. Council members stated their opinions on the topic.

Mayor Logan closes the public testimony portion and close the public hearing at 7:55 p.m.

Mayor Logan echoes Chris Dorow's statement about evolution being against ADU's at first and now in support of them.

Council carried a motion TO ADOPT THE ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT ORDINANCE CREATING OMC 17.63 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: DELETE 17.63.030(E) ALLEY ASSESSMENT FEE, ADD 17.63.030(E) HEIGHT OF A DETACHED ADU SHALL BE NO MORE THAN 20', AND MODIFY 17.63.040 TO ADD R-3 AND R-4 TO THE ZONES WHERE OWNER OCCUPANCY IS REQUIRED. M/S Erickson/Dorow

In Support- Lallas, Quezada, Dorow, Garza, Erickson

Opposed- Snyder, Everett

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

- Councilman Lallas mentions he let the Fire District know the City has ARPA funds available if the department has any pressing needs.
- Councilman Erickson comments on the traffic circles and believes they are doing their job.
- Mayor Logan announced the City was awarded the Less Than Lethal Grant.
- Mayor Logan announces there will be a finance meeting this week.
- City Clerk announces there is a lack of agenda

Council carried a motion to CANCEL THE NOVEMBER 1ST COUNCIL MEETING. M/S Erickson/Dorow

COUNCIL WILL ALSO RECEIVE

- Fire Department Report
- Planning Commission Minutes

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 8:27 p.m.

By: 
SHAWN R. LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: Tania Morelos
TANIA MORELOS, CITY CLERK