



## MINUTES

### City Council Regular Meeting

6:00 PM – Monday, April 24, 2023

Council Chambers/GoToMeetings

#### CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Tania Morelos, City Clerk

Spencer Williams, Finance Officer

Dave Rehaume, Assistant Police Chief

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer

Curt Carpenter, Public Works Director

Anne Henning, Community Development Director

#### CITIZEN INPUT

Jake Mendez Jr., address the bulb outs at scootney and recognizes pet rescue for rescuing pets outside of city limits.

#### ROLL CALL

Council members Present:

John Lallas

Jon Erickson

Genna Dorow

Angel Garza

Mark Snyder

Danae Valdez

Council members Absent:

Corey Everett

Council carried a motion to EXCUSE COUNCILMAN COREY EVERETT. M/S Snyder/Dorow

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

## CONSENT OF AGENDA

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- A. Approval of Accounts Payables
- B. Approve City Council Minutes for April 10, 2023
- C. Set Public Hearing for the 2023 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan
- D. Appoint Ruth Sawyer and Maria Martinez to the Planning Commission

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

Accounts Payable was audited and certified by the Auditing Officer, as required by RCW 42.24.080; and those expense reimbursement claims certified and as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing that has been reviewed by the Council audit committee and is available to the Council.

Accounts Payable Check No. 57825 to No. 57879 in the amount of \$486,307.13.

## CURRENT BUSINESS

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### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR FENCING REGULATIONS AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 1596 AMENDING SECTIONS OF OMC 14.36 FENCES, WALLS, AND HEDGES**

Anne Henning, Community Development Director gives a staff report and explains the proposed changes in the ordinance.

Mayor Logan opens the public hearing at 6:32pm.

Mayor Logan opens the public testimony. Jose Garza asks if chain link fences would reduce graffiti in town.

Mayor Logan closes the public hearing at 6:35pm.

**Council carried a motion to ADOPT ORDINANCE 1596 AMENDING OMC 14.36 FENCES, WALLS, AND HEDGES, 17.30.100, COMMERCIAL ZONES; AND 17.40.090 INDUSTRIAL ZONES. M/S Erickson/Dorow**

### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR LANDSCAPING REGULATIONS AND ADOPT ORDINANCE 1597 AMENDING SECTIONS OF OMC 17.74 LANDSCAPING AND SCREENING**

Anne Henning, Community Development Director gives a staff report.

Mayor Logan opens the public hearing at 6:36pm.

Much discussion ensued between Council members.

Mayor Logan opened the Public testimony- Citizen Alvarez asks a question via zoom. The City Clerk reads the question for the Council.

Mayor Logan closes the public hearing at 7:21pm.

**Council carried a motion to ADOPT ORDINANCE 1597 AMENDING OMC 17.74 LANDSCAPING AND SCREENING WITH THE REMOVAL OF THE CHANGES OF 17.74.150. M/S Erickson/Snyder**

**Councilwoman Dorow votes opposed to the motion.**

**ACCEPT NOTICE OF INTENT FOR OCHOA ANNEXATION**

Anne Henning, Community Development Director explains the Ochoas have submitted a Notice of Intention to Commence Annexation Proceedings for 6 parcels east of 14th Avenue, between Main Street and Lee Road, 442.2 acres. Per RCW 35A.14.120 owners of not less than 10% of property proposed to be annexed shall notify the legislative body of their intention to commence annexation proceedings. If Council accepts the intention to annex, development of the site would go through the platting and building permit process, and comply with city codes.

**Council carried a motion to ACCEPT TO MODIFY THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION. M/S Lallas/Dorow**

**Council carried a motion to REQUIRE THE SIMULTANEOUS ADOPTION OF PROPOSED ZONING OF C-2 COMMERCIAL ALONG MAIN STREET, I-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) ALONG LEE ROAD, AND R-4 RESIDENTIAL IN BETWEEN, MATCHING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LAND USE DESIGNATIONS. M/S Lallas/Dorow**

**Council carried a motion to REQUIRE THE ASSUMPTION OF EXISTING CITY INDEBTEDNESS BY THE AREA TO BE ANNEXED. M/S Lallas/Dorow**

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Logan reads the proclamation for the 2023 National Day of Prayer which will take place on May 4<sup>th</sup> at noon at City Hall.

**APPROVE CONTRACT WITH LIGHTHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR INTERVENTION AND MENTORING SERVICES**

Dave Rehaume, Assistant Chief of Police introduces Angela Kudsk who wishes to take over the mentoring services at Lighthouse Community Center for youth. Angela gives a presentation of the services that will be provided and requests Council to approve the agreement between Lighthouse and the City which staff has reviewed and accepted as well.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE TWO-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH LIGHTHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR MENTORING AND INTERVENTION SERVICES. M/S Dorow/Snyder**

**APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR CHILD EXPLOITATION AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE**

Dave Rehaume, Assistant Chief of Police requests approval of the MOU with the FBI for participation in the Spokane Task Force.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANINDG WITH THE FBI FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE SPOKANE FBI TASK FORCE. M/S Erickson/Lallas**

**MARINERS LITTLE LEAGUE SPECIAL PROMOTION**

Valerie Hernandez, Park and Recreation Coordinator informs Council the City will advertise a promotion by the Seattle Mariners where the City Little League will earn \$1 for every ticket purchased to their game and the children will be able to participate in the Mariners Parade.

**REPTILE PRESENTATION AT KIWANIS PARK**

Valerie Hernandez, Park and Recreation Coordinator informs Council there will be a collaborative show/event with the Mid-Columbia Library at Kiwanis Park with Reptile lady.

**APPROVE PURCHASE OF IWORQ SYSTEMS AND PRESENTATION**

Curt Carpenter, Public Works Director along with a representative from iWorq Systems presents to Council the features of the software which would allow public works to track many daily projects, keep inventory, assign work orders, etc.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH IWORQ SYSTEMS FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM FOR A TOTAL OF \$66,000. M/S Dorow/Valdez**

**APPROVE PURCHASE OF FIRE SUPPRESSION HOOD, GRILLS, AND DEEP FRYERS FOR LIONS PARK CONCESSION STANDS**

Curt Carpenter, Public Works Director explains the City has advertised for proposals to lease the pool and ballfield concession stands and the city would received a percentage of the profits. In order to have an appropriately equipped concession stand for vendors to use. Staff recommends the purchase of commercial kitchen items to be installed in the concession stands.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF FIRE SUPPRESSION HOOD, GRILLS, AND DEEP FRYERS USING (103 & 104) FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,600.00. M/S Valdez/Garza**

**AWARD SOD REMOVAL PROJECT**

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer explains the City opened quotes for a sod removal project where they will remove healthy sod from Lions park where the new trail will be installed and use the

sod at Taggares park at areas needs. Staff recommends council to award the project to Northwest Turf Solutions.

**Council carried a motion to AWARD THE QUOTE FOR THE SOD REMOVAL PROJECT TO NORTHWEST TURF SOLUTIONS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,210.22. M/S Dorow/Valdez**

**APPROVE CHANGE ORDER TO THE SEAL COAT PROJECT CONTRACT WITH SIERRA SANTA FE CORPORATION**

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer explains Sierra Santa Fe Corporation proposed adding a scrub seal to the section of North Broadway from Fir Street to Lee Street for the 2023 seal coat project. North Broadway is overdue for maintenance work, but a simple seal coat will provide limited benefits. Staff recommends Council approve the change order.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE CHANGE ORDER TO THE SEAL COAT PROJECT CONTRACT WITH SIERRA SANTA FE CORPORATION. M/S Snyder/Erickson**

**APPROVE PURCHASE OF A LIFT AND MECHANIC TOOLS FOR PUBLIC WORKS MOTOR POOL**

Curt Carpenter, Public Works Director explains with the new lead positions at Public Works the Motor Pool Lead is in need of tools. Staff requests Council approve the purchase of tools and lift with the remaining budget.

**Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A LIFT AND MECHANIC TOOLS FOR MOTOR POOL WITH THE REMAINING FUNDS AMOUNT OF \$87,640.00. M/S Erickson/Dorow**

**SAND HILL ESTATES V VARIANCE REQUEST AND REQUEST FOR CITY PARTICIPATION**

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer explains a variance is being requested to not install curbing and gutter and sidewalk on the East side of 14th Avenue through the Sand Hill Estates V Development.

Council suggests staff and committee members discuss this in a meeting before making a decision.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Councilman Garza inquires about a fire hydrant that was hit.
- Mayor Logan announces the City received grants funds in the amounts of \$400,000 for water treatment pre design, \$600,000 for lions park playground, \$500,000 for Kiwanis park improvements, \$600,000 for Kiwanis park splash pad and 600,000 for Kiwanis park futsal court.

**COUNCIL WILL ALSO RECEIVE**

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- Building and Planning Report
- Planning Commission Minutes
- Finance Report

**ADJOURNMENT**

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With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 9:00 p.m.

By:   
Shawn R. Logan, Mayor

ATTEST:

By:   
Tania D. Morelos, City Clerk