

**Mount Vernon
Finance Committee
Parks & Enrichment Services Committee
Minutes
May 26, 2021**

Present: Councilmembers Beaton, Brocksmith, Carías, Hudson, Hulst, and Morales

Staff present: Mayor Boudreau, City Attorney Rogerson, Project Development Manager Donovan, Police Chief Cammock, Finance Director Volesky, and Parks & Enrichment Director

Citizens present: 0

- Approval of meeting minutes from March 24, 2021
 - After Council discussion on the Committee Agenda Request process the Council Approved as amended.
- Approval of meeting minutes from April 28, 2021
 - Approved.

1. Finance Update

Finance Director Doug Volesky gave an update on the following:

- 2020 Audit – discussed the process and scheduled to begin June 1, 2021.
- Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA) Update
 - City’s allocation is \$9,053,048. Received half or \$4,526,524 already.
 - Guidance is now out, and the City is reviewing the guidance and developing a spending plan for the funds.
- OpenGov Budgeting Software
 - City is interested in purchasing budgeting and reporting software.
 - Discussed the features and benefits.
- 2021 Revenue Update on a few of the City’s main revenue sources – collected thru May.
 - Sales Tax – \$3,466,049 or 47% of the budgeted annual amount.
 - Traffic Benefit District (TBD) – \$813,791 or 51% of the budgeted annual amount.
 - Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) - \$852,234 or 61% of the budgeted annual amount.

2. Parks and Enrichment Services Update

Parks and Enrichment Services Director Jennifer Berner gave an update on the following:

- Arts Commission – City Flag or Banner

- Commissioners discussing designing a City Flag or designing banner(s) for the street poles downtown.
- Further discussion is needed on funding, criteria for flag/banner, call for artist or community contest?
- Park Mapping Project
 - Parks Dept. is working with GIS staff to develop digitized maps of our parks and trails.
- Return of Recreation Programming/Events
 - Of the 14 sports camps offered 7 are at capacity enrollment with a total of 210 children enrolled, Soccer League has 145 enrolled.
- Staffing Updates – 2 new Parks Maintenance Workers start June 1st.

The Committee meeting recessed for the City Council meeting at 6:55 p.m.
The Committee meeting reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

3. Development Services Update

Development Services Director Chris Phillips gave an update on the following:

- Commercial and Residential Project Updates
 - Staff summarized the 7 multi-family developments (total of 146 mf units) that are in the permitting process or have been built this year.
 - Staff also provided details on 8 commercial developments and 2 subdivisions.
- Shoreline Master Plan Update
 - Staff provided an overview of the Shoreline Master Plan update the City is required to complete this year.
 - This update is required by State law.
 - Staff explained shoreline regulations in general and provided a schedule of work to be completed in 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Submitted by:

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