



**City of Mount Vernon
City Council Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2021**

Mayor Boudreau called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Councilmembers Beaton, Carías, Hudson, Molenaar and Morales

Absent: Councilmembers Brocksmith and Hulst (excused)

Staff Present: City Attorney Rogerson, Finance Director Volesky, Development Services Director Phillips, Police Lieutenant Shackleton, Human Resources Director Keator, Parks and Enrichment Services Director Berner, Principal Planner Lowell, Information Services Director Kleppe, IS Supervisor Worley,

Citizens Present: 15

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of July 14, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
- B. Approval of July 20, 2021 payroll checks numbered 110838 - 110860, direct deposit checks numbers 83188 - 83416, and wire transfers numbered 995 - 999 in the amount of \$1,210,333.13.
- C. Approval of July 28, 2021 Claims numbered 14536 - 14537 and 14575 - 14708 in the amount of \$960,029.71.

Councilmember Hudson moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A-C. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS

- A. Committees
 1. Finance & Parks and Enrichment Services – see committee minutes for details.
 2. Development Services – see committee minutes for details.
- B. Public Comments - Email
Public Comments sent via email to council@mountvernonwa.gov were read aloud by Mr. Phillips:
 - Larry and Carolyn Anderson, Mount Vernon residents, addressed fireworks regulations.Public Comments

- Barbee Andrew, Mount Vernon resident, addressed concerns about traffic accidents, speed and wildlife preservation near her residence.
- Antoinette Caskey, Mount Vernon resident, addressed street safety, and speeding near her residence.
- Kelly Lutes, Mount Vernon resident, spoke about traffic and accidents near her residence.
- Curtis Sowers, Mount Vernon resident, spoke about traffic near his residence

- C. Councilmember Comments - none
- D. Mayor's Report - none
- E. Committee Agenda Requests - none

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing – Local Government IT Security Assessment: Mr. Kleppe introduced Keith Drake, Washington State Auditor. Mr. Drake discussed the IT Security Audit Assessment's process and findings.

Mayor Boudreau opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments, Mayor Boudreau closed the public hearing.

- B. Executive Session: The meeting convened into Executive Session at 7:41 to consider, if in compliance with any required data security breach disclosure under RCW 19.255.010 and 42.56.590 with legal counsel available, information regarding the infrastructure and security of computer and telecommunications networks, security and service recovery plans, security risk assessments and security test results to the extent that they identify specific system vulnerabilities, and other information that if made public may increase the risk to the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of agency security or to information technology infrastructure or assets, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(a)(ii). The duration of the Executive Session is estimated to be twenty minutes.

The meeting reconvened into regular session at 8:07

- C. Approval of Agreement with Johnston Group: Mr. Phillips requested approval of an agreement with Johnson Group to assist with securing federal funding and support for the Library Commons Project. Mayor Boudreau introduced Jake Johnston. Mr. Johnston provided background information of the Johnston Group. Mr. Johnston briefly discussed his company's history and their role with the Library Commons Project.

Councilmember Beaton moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Johnson Group for securing federal funding and support for

the Library Commons Project. Motion seconded by Councilmember Carías. Motion carried 5-0.

- D. Closed Record Public Hearing – Site Specific Rezone for Parcel P119008: Ms. Lowell requested adoption of an ordinance to change the zoning designation of parcel P119008 from Public (P) to Single Family Residential (R-1, 4.0). Ms. Lowell explained that this is a request for rezoning only, and not to address any potential development project.

Mayor Boudreau opened the public hearing.

- Tom Ostheller, Mount Vernon resident, expressed concerns regarding parking, wildlife, noise, and pollution.
- Cecillia Nalley, Mount Vernon resident, expressed concern about wetlands, wildlife, safety, and traffic. Ms. Nalley requested that a portion of the parcel remain zoned Public. Access to information and extended processing time were requested.

Hearing no additional comments, Mayor Boudreau closed the public hearing.

Ms. Lowell explained that split zoning is not allowed and discussed the wetland areas. Mr. Rogerson explained the legal process and limitations of the proceedings.

Councilmember Hudson moved to adopt Ordinance 3834 changing the zoning designation of Parcel P119008. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar Motion carried 5-0.

- E. Approval of Agreement with Public Sector Personnel Consultants: Ms. Keator requested approval of an agreement with Public Sector Personnel Consultants to conduct a classification and compensation study for non-represented employees.

Councilmember Morales moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Public Sector Personnel Consultants to conduct a classification and compensation study. Motion seconded by Councilmember Beaton Motion carried 5-0.

- F. Approval of Funding Proposal and Amendment of the 2021 City Budget: Mr. Volesky requested approval of the American Rescue Plan Act funding proposal and adoption of an ordinance to amend the 2021 city budget for

account for the funding. The proposal includes staffing, revenue replacement, information services and technology, fiber optics TV10 equipment, facilities upgrades, and public communication.

Councilmember Beaton moved to approve the American Rescue Plan Act funding proposal and adoption of Ordinance 3835 amending the 2021 City Budget. Motion seconded by Councilmember Morales. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was convened into Executive Session at 8:56 p.m. for a period of forty minutes, to discuss with legal counsel on matters relating to enforcement actions, litigation, or potential litigation to which the City, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Becky Jensen, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Doug Volesky, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Jill Boudreau, Mayor