

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Port Angeles, Washington

March 15, 2022

This meeting was conducted virtually.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Dexter, Deputy Mayor Meyer, Council Members Carr, French, McCaughan, Schromen-Wawrin and Suggs.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: City Manager West, Attorney Bloor, Clerk Martinez-Bailey, C. Delikat, K. Dubuc, B. Smith, E. Bolin, T. Hunter, S. Carrizosa and K. Hatton.

Mayor Dexter led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS, PROCLAMATIONS & EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

1. Public Safety Telecommunicators Life-Saving Awards to Communications Supervisor Dennis LaBoy
Police Chief Brian Smith and PenCom Deputy Director Karl Hatton presented a Life-Saving Award to Dennis LaBoy for his work in the department. Chief Smith and Deputy Director Hatton highlighted his eleven years of service to the department. Chief Smith spoke about Supervisor LaBoy's exceptional work and spoke of a recent event where he provided lifesaving telephonic CPR instructions. He added that through his heroic life saving measures and emotional support to a caller, his actions ultimately saved the patient's life.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Dryke, in a pre-recorded message, spoke about ADA sidewalk improvements needed at Georgiana and Francis streets sharing he was glad to hear it was a part of the Council agenda.

Gary Schrier, in a pre-recorded message, stated he represented WAVE and spoke about a request made to the City relative to overhead cable lines.

LATE ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON THIS OR FUTURE AGENDAS

City Manager Nathan West added *Francis Street ADA Improvement Project, Award Additive Bid* to the agenda as item J-2.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member McCaughan asked the Mayor to consider adding *Parks, Recreation, & Beautification Appointments, Increased Development Review Capacity - Stormwater FTE, Cityworks Software License Agreement Amendment #1*, and LATE ITEM *Francis Street ADA Improvement Project, Award Additive Bid* to the Consent Agenda. Hearing consensus, the Mayor added the items to the Consent Agenda as items E-4, E-5, E-6 and E-7.

It was moved by Meyer and seconded by Schromen-Wawrin to approve the Consent Agenda to include:

1. Expenditure Report: *From February 19, 2022 to March 4, 2022 in the amount of \$7,391,138.42*
2. Utility Wooden Pole Testing 2021 Contract Final Acceptance / *Accept the Pole Testing 2021 project by North Idaho Contractors, LLC as complete and authorize staff to proceed with project closeout and release the retainage in the amount of \$1,874.09 upon receipt of all required clearances*
3. Clallam County Economic Development Council 2022 Contract / *Award a contract to the Clallam Economic Development Council for City economic development support in the amount not to exceed \$20,000 and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract and make modifications as necessary*
4. *Increased Development Review Capacity - Stormwater FTE / Accept the FY2021-2023 Stormwater Capacity Grant in the amount of \$70,000 and authorize the City Manager to sign a grant agreement with the Washington State Department of Ecology, and to make any subsequent amendments or minor modifications to the agreement, as necessary, and authorize the creation of one new full-time Stormwater Engineer position; and approve the addition of \$120,000 for this position in the 2022 Budget*

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5. Parks, Recreation, & Beautification Appointments / *Re-appoint Paul Forrest for another term beginning March 2022 through February 2026 and Bonnie Hilory for a 4-year term beginning March 2022 through February 2026*
6. Cityworks Software License Agreement Amendment #1 / *Award a three-year Software License Agreement Amendment for Cityworks software with Azteca Systems, Inc. of Sandy UT, increasing the total contract by \$112,000 to a new not-to-exceed amount of \$142,000, including applicable taxes and authorize the City Manager to execute and make minor modifications to the agreement if necessary*
7. LATE ITEM Francis Street ADA Improvement Project, Award Additive Bid / *Award Additive Bid 5 to Simmons & Sons of Montesano, WA for the TR0616 Francis Street ADA Improvement Project in the amount of \$31,685.00 including applicable taxes, and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents necessary to execute and administer the contract, and to make minor modifications if necessary*

The Mayor asked if there was unanimous consent, hearing no opposition, the motion carried 7-0.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

6. Hybrid Meeting Discussion

Manager West introduced the agenda item and provided background on the matter. He said it was important to hear from Council on the timing of the hybrid meeting approach. He spoke of the importance of maintaining a virtual option for the community. Council discussion followed.

It was moved by Schromen-Wawrin and seconded by Carr to:

Hold hybrid meetings when the COVID-19 risk is Very Low or Low, per the dashboard located at <https://www.clallam.net/coronavirus/>, at the time the meeting agenda is advertised. The Council will hold virtual meetings when the COVID-19 risk is Moderate or High, per the dashboard located at <https://www.clallam.net/coronavirus/>, at the time the meeting agenda is advertised.

The Mayor asked if there was unanimous consent, hearing no opposition, the motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Proposed Adjustments to the 2022 - 2023 Solid Waste Utility Rates

Director Carrizosa spoke about solid waste rates and services currently offered by the City which do not include options for commercial comingled recycling and commercial yard waste. She stated that since Waste Connections has not provided rate information, adjustments will follow the Solid Waste COSA schedule and will be in effect during the 2022-2023 fiscal years and then re-evaluated during the next COSA cycle which will expire 12/31/2023. She stated staff have received requests from commercial customers to add these services and as a result staff is recommending the second reading of the ordinance be waived and the ordinance adopted to ensure these customers can receive services in a timely manner.

The Mayor opened the public hearing for public testimony at 6:54 p.m. Hearing none, the Mayor closed the public hearing. The Mayor confirmed with the Clerk there were no pre-recorded public testimonies.

Mayor Dexter conducted a first reading of the ordinance by title, entitled,

ORDINANCE NO. 3689

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Port Angeles, Washington amending sections of Chapter 13.54 of the Port Angeles Municipal Code relating to garbage collection.

It was moved by Meyer and seconded by Schromen-Wawrin to:

Waive the second reading of the ordinance for the 2022-2023 proposed rate adjustments for the Solid Waste utility and adopt the ordinance.

The Mayor asked if there was unanimous consent, hearing no opposition, the motion carried 7-0.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS CONTINUED

1. Elwha Ranney Reach Project Presentation

Public Works and Utilities Director Thomas Hunter spoke about the importance of the project and work that will soon be done. He introduced City Engineer Jonathan Boehme who spoke of planning work done in collaboration with the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe. He said the work would help restore instream habitats and increase resiliency for the Ranney Well, the primary municipal and industrial water supplies. Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Fisheries Habitat Manager Mike McHenry shared background on the development of the project and introduced key members of his team, Natural Systems Design's Aaron Lee and Tim Abbe.

Mayor recessed the meeting for a break at 7:37 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:42 p.m.

2. AFSCME Local 1619 Collective Bargaining Agreement

Human Resources Manager Abigail Fountain provided background on the agenda item, negotiations, and highlighted some of the details in the three-year collective bargaining agreement. Council discussion followed.

It was moved by Schromen-Wawrin and seconded by Carr to:

Direct staff to prepare an ordinance that would apply the language Teamsters Communications and Support Employee Bill of Rights (Section H) to all city employees, in addition to any other negotiated rights.

It was moved by Meyer and seconded by McCaughan to:

Table the motion that would to direct staff to prepare an ordinance that would apply the language Teamsters Communications and Support Employee Bill of Rights (Section H) to all city employees, in addition to any other negotiated rights.

The Mayor asked if there was unanimous consent, hearing no opposition, the motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by French and seconded by McCaughan to:

Approve the terms of the AFSCME Local 1619 collective bargaining agreement as outlined in this memo and authorize the City Manager to make minor modifications to the agreement as necessary.

The Mayor asked if there was unanimous consent, hearing no opposition, the motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Schromen-Wawrin and seconded by French to:

Bring back to council comparative research on the employee rights in the Teamsters Communications and Support Employee Bill of Rights (Section H) compared to the City's employee procedures handbook.

The Mayor asked if there was unanimous consent, hearing no opposition, the motion carried 7-0.

4. Public Safety Advisory Board Discussion

City Clerk Kari Martinez-Bailey spoke of a memo in the March 1 City Council agenda packet that identified vacant positions on the Public Safety Advisory Board. She stated that during that meeting, Council expressed interest in reviewing the minutes and audio to better understand what led up to two tie votes for positions 8 and 12.

After Council discussion took place, Council voted to table the discussion on appointments to positions #8 and #12 to the March 15 meeting. She added that Public Safety Advisory Board Chair Drew Schwab was in attendance and stated he would be available for any questions relative to discussions that took place during the February 16 Board meeting when the Board met to discuss the applications received for the vacant positions.

It was moved by Carr and seconded by McCaughan to:

Appoint Mary Margolis to position # 8 and John Hauck to position #12 for terms ending February 28, 2026.

The Mayor asked if there was unanimous consent, hearing no opposition, the motion carried 7-0.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Council member Carr spoke about an upcoming sailboat race taking place in May.

Council member French spoke about upcoming Lodging Tax Advisory Committee recommendations that will be come before Council at a future meeting.

Council member Schromen-Wawrin spoke about an Anchor Community Initiative meeting that looks for solutions that end homelessness for young people.

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Council member Suggs spoke about an upcoming Earth Day event.

Council member McCaughan spoke about sharps containers, Peninsula Area Public Access, and thanked Chief Smith for his report in the packet.

No other reports were given.

INFORMATION

Manager West updated Council on upcoming Climate Resiliency meeting and City Council special meeting.

SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT

Gayle Brauner, city resident, stated she was a member of the Public Safety Advisory Board, spoke about recommendations made by the Board and the process.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dexter adjourned the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Kate Dexter, Mayor

Kari Martinez-Bailey, City Clerk