

July 24, 2023  
City Council Meeting Minutes

The July 24, 2023 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Steve Knepper. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Delaney, Hosch, Kelchen, Oliphant and Rausch answered roll call.

Motion Rausch, second Oliphant to approve the agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Speakers from the floor: None.

Motion Oliphant, second Kelchen to approve the consent agenda items: City Council Minutes 7/10/23, Utility Board 7/20/23; and July 24, 2023 claims. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Rausch, second Hosch to Open Public Hearing on Library Construction and Bidding. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Kotter explained that this is the final review by the Council and that the consideration is to approve the plans and direct staff to solicit bids. If approved the timeline is that plans will be ready July 28, a pre-bid meeting on August 8 and bids will be due by September 7.

Motion Oliphant, second Delaney to Close Public Hearing. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Delaney, second Oliphant to approve Resolution #62-23 Approval of the Construction Plans and to Proceed to Publicly Bid the Public Library and Community Center Project. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Oliphant, second Rausch to approve Resolution #64-23 Amendment #2 FEH Design Contract for Civil Engineering. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Oliphant, second Kelchen to direct City staff to move ahead with IEDA Rural Child Care Planning Grant Application Submittal for Little Angels. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Kelchen, second Oliphant to approve Resolution #63-23 Approval of Social Service Agreement Cascade Economic Development Corporation FY24 as revised. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Oliphant, second Kelchen to approve Ordinance #08-23 Vacant Building Registration (Second of Three Readings). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Rausch, second Delaney to approve Ordinance #09-23 Street Naming (Second of Three Readings). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding the Approval of Water and Sewer Forgiveness Policy Changes. Staff will bring a Resolution for consideration at the next meeting.

Motion Kelchen, second Hosch to approve Ordinance #11-23 Requirement of a Tracer Wire Box Bracket for Plastic Water Service Lines (First of Three Readings). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding Ordinance #10-23 Limitation of Garage or Rummage Sales. Staff will follow up on outstanding questions and will bring back the information for next council meeting.

Motion Delaney, second Hosch to approve Resolution #61-23 Approval of Library Wages FY2024. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding the Community and Business Promotion Position Hiring, and Council agreed to have Oliphant and Delaney represent the Council for the interviews. Directed Staff to reach out to the Economic Development Group to inquire about a representative that may also participate with the Chamber's Representatives. Discussed limiting the number of candidates to four for interviews.

Chief Heim and Kotter provided additional information and staff updates.

No public comment.

Motion Rausch, second Kelchen adjourn at 7:26pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Kathy Goerdts, City Clerk

Steven J. Knepper, Mayor