



## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday December 10, 2019**

Present: Council Members Mark Gourneau, Sophia Sotelo, Arturo De La Fuente, Diana Castaneda, Vera Zavala, Mayor Laura Vazquez, City Attorney James Carmody, Police Lieutenant David Marks, City Clerk Sylvia Sanchez, City Treasurer Jamison Horner

Absent: Fire Chief Luke Cussins

1. Call to Order Time:7:01pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence and Roll Call
3. Vote on the Meeting Agenda

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Arturo to approve the Meeting Agenda. Approved 5-0

4. **Visitor Comments** (At the discretion of the presiding Chair, Visitor Comments may be accepted on individual business items only and will be limited to 2 to 5 minutes.)

We heard from Wendy Morrow of 310 Boundary Rd. with a follow up from her statement from the last meeting. Council/Mayor explained that the issue with making only partial payment once a resident has ended up on the shut off list is a direct violation of our ordinance. It was also explained that this has been an issue for the city with the State Auditor's Office in the past.

5. **Consent Agenda** (The following will be enacted by one motion. There will be no discussion separate of these items unless a Council Member requests separate discussion. The item will be removed from the Consent agenda and added to New Business.)
  - A. Approve Study Session Minutes for Tuesday November 26, 2019
  - B. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes for Tuesday November 26, 2019

- C. Approve Payroll Warrant Register Number #10881 & Direct Deposit in the amount of \$22,292.88 in the amount of \$23,039.99
- D. Approve Claim Voucher/Payment Number in the amount of \$101,538.78

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Arturo to approve the Consent Agenda. Approved 5-0

- 6. Public Hearing:                      Start Time:7:05pm                      End Time:7:15pm
  - Final Budget Hearing for 2020

There was one question asked by Wendy Morrow about what the difference was between the Cemetery Fund and the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund. It was explained that the Perpetual Care Fund was set up to cover the cost of care for after the Cemetery was full hypothetically. It is also for upkeep while there are no funerals happening.

## 7. Old Business

### A. Appointing New Planning Commissioner

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Arturo to Appoint Jason Morrow as the new Planning Commissioner. Approved 5-0

## 8. New Business

- A. Approval of Resolution 2019-10 Accepting Law Enforcement Assistance Agreement with Yakima County for Communication Services for 2020
- B. Approval of Resolution 2019-11 Accepting Interlocal Agreement with City of Mabton and City of Sunnyside for the Housing of Inmates
- C. Approval of Resolution 2019-12 Accepting Interlocal Agreement with City of Mabton and Yakima County for Municipal Court Services

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Arturo to table items A, B, & C to the next meeting. Tabled 5-0

- D. Approval of Resolution 2019-13 Authorizing Investment of City of Mabton Monies in the Local Governmental Investment Pool

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Sophia to approve Resolution 2019-13. Approved 5-0

### E. Approval of Ordinance 2019-1150 Adopting the Budget for 2020

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Sophia to approve Ordinance 2019-1150. Approved 5-0

### 9. Staff Reports

Lieutenant Marks said that he would be participating in the "Shop with a Cop" on Saturday morning at Walmart if anyone would like to attend.

Diana stated that she would like to talk again about the mayor's stipend. She said that she was not happy with the decision made at the last meeting.

### 10. Mayor's Report


We got another \$326,440.00 for the reconstruction of Washington. We have gotten about 1.4 million dollars in funding since 2018.

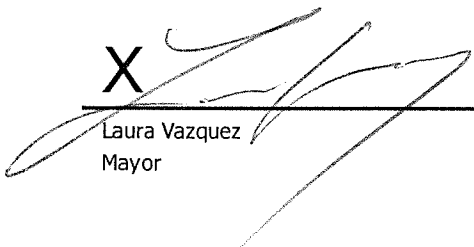
YVCOG meeting is @6 in Terrace Heights in Yakima.

The mayor told of the times and dates of some upcoming training that she would like council to attend. She said that we could talk about them as they got closer but she would like to see someone attend everything. She also stated that it is a requirement of council to attend at least one training a year; this is one of the main reasons for the giving out the full list of trainings to attend.

Mabton School District has invited us on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm which is just prior to the regularly scheduled school board meeting.

11. Adjournment:                      Time:7:45pm

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Joshua Roberson  
Deputy City Clerk

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Laura Vazquez  
Mayor