



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday January 12, 2021

Present: Council Members Arturo De La Fuente, Vera Zavala, Sophia Sotelo, Mark Gourneau, Diana Castaneda, Mayor Laura Vazquez, City Attorney James Carmody, City Engineer Jamin Ankney, Police Chief David Marks, City Clerk Sylvia Sanchez, City Treasurer Jamison Horner, Public Works Lead Gordon Harris

Absent: Fire Chief Luke Cussins

1. Call to Order Time: 7:02pm
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 Vera to approve the Meeting Agenda. Approved 5-0

4. **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 December 8, 2020
 - B. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes for Tuesday December 8, 2020
 - C. Approve Payroll Warrant Register December 22, 2020 Number # 11767 to #11768 & EFT in the amount of \$41,997.76
 - D. Approve Claim Voucher/Payment December 22, 2020 Number #11796 to #11799 & EFT in the amount of \$57,909.24
 - E. Approve Payroll Warrant Register January 12, 2020 Number #11800 & EFT in the amount of \$36,029.08

F. Approve Claim Voucher/Payment (Period 13) January 12, 2020 Number #11801 to #11814 & EFT in the amount of \$13,389.46

G. Approve Claim Voucher/Payment January 12, 2020 Number #11815 to #11834 & EFT in the amount of \$114,294.70.

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

5. Old Business

A. Approval of **Resolution 2020-19** Contract with NWCodePros for Building Inspection Services;

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Diana to approved Resolution 2020-19 for a 1-year contract. Approved 5-0

6. New Business

A. **Selection of Mayor Pro Tem** For the Calendar Year 2021

There was a motion by Diana and a second by Sophia to select Vera as mayor Pro Tem for the calendar year 2021. Approved 5-0

B. Approval of **Resolution 2021-01** Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Contract with Yakima County Technology Services (YCTS) for Technological Services.

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Arturo to Table Resolution 2021-01. Tabled 5-0

C. Approval of **Resolution 2021-02** Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Contract Award of the Guaranteed Energy Saving Contract to Apollo Solutions Group

There was a motion by Mark and a second by Sophia to approve Resolution 2021-02. Approved 5-0

7. Staff Reports

Jamison wanted to update everyone on the outstanding utility bills; she explained that the majority of these accounts were helped by either Northwest Community Action or OIC. She was waiting through the 15th but that there were many people caught up.

Jamison also wanted to explain that we are now working through the 1.5yd bins for our garbage audit. There are 8 accounts that have major corrections. This is the end of the audit however and we should only have minor changes moving forward.

Diana wanted to make sure that any of the outstanding utility accounts that were still outstanding were aware of the programs available to people right now. Jamison said that we were making it a point to let those that we were in contact with know about these resources.

Gordon wanted to talk about the lights over by the school. He stated that he has checked the transformer and they can bring an electrician back out if need be. He stated that one concern he has is that the city's maps are missing many water/sewer lines making it difficult to locate things at times. We did bring Jamin Ankney back to talk about some of the strategies that have been discussed to try and get funding for updated maps.

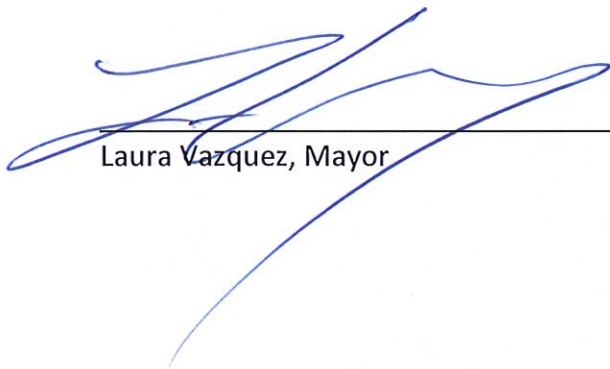
8. Mayor's Report

Mayor Vazquez wanted to discuss the city taking possession of St. Luke's Church. The owner of St. Luke's Church is currently Bill Flower; who was a key person in the Mabton Historical Society when it was active. There has been discussion for quite some time about making the church into a museum. Mr. Flower is getting on in years and would actually like to just sign the church over to the city. Sylvia is looking into what the legal details would be if this were to happen.


She explained that we have one more park to try and get completed and it is the other side of Governor's Park. She is going to ask Senator Honeyford for funding again to hopefully get this park completed. Dialogue with the mayor and Vera explained that the gentleman painting the police department will be back as soon as the weather warms up; he explained that since his stencil is vinyl it will not stick to the building when it is cold.

9. Adjournment:

Time:7:35pm



Laura Vazquez, Mayor



Joshua Roberson, Deputy City Clerk