



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 8, 2022

Present: Mayor Rachel Ruelas, Council Member Diana Castaneda, Andy Carrasco, Mary Alvarado, Vera Zavala, Arturo De La Fuente, Public works Director Jun Alvarez, City Treasurer Josh, City Clerk Sylvia Sanchez and Deputy City Clerk Maricela Galvez

1. Call to Order Time: 7:00p.m

2. Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence and Roll Call

3. Vote on the Meeting Agenda

There was a motion by Andy and a second by Mary to approve the meeting agenda. Motion 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.)

Visitor comments were addressed at Council Study Session.

- Mike
- Florentino Bueno

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.)

There was a motion by Andy and a second by Mary to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion approved 5-0

A. Approve Study Session Minutes for Tuesday January 11th and January 25, 2022

B. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes for Tuesday January 11th and January 25, 2022

C. Approve Payroll Warrant Register February 8, 2022, Numbers #12666 in the amount of \$30,508.42.

D. Approve Claim Voucher/Payment February 8, 2022, Numbers #12667 through 12695 and electronic transfers totaling \$64,167.54.

6. New Business

A. Advertise for the City's Official Newspaper.

There was a motion by Andy and a second by Mary to approve the advertisement for the City's Official Newspaper. Motion approved. 5-0

7. Staff Reports

Public Works Director Juan reports his plans to clean up the cemetery and the enforcement on the cemetery's existing ordinance. There was some hesitation from some council members and the Mayor. It was then explained the reasoning behind the enforcement. Juan explained the broken glass can become a hazard for the workers when they mow the lawn and the high cost of repairment for the lawn mower when the bags rip due to plant hangers getting caught on it. There were some suggestions to place at least three signs with policies. There were also suggestions to provide the residents with the City Ordinance at the time of plot purchase.

City Clerk Sylvia Sanchez gave everyone an updated Mayor and Council Member handbook.

Jamin Ankney was available to answer any questions. Mayor did ask about the new development that was emailed to her. Jamin did give his thoughts on the project and the current codes the city has. There is a current code that the city could not provide water or sewer connection outside of city limits unless they annexed. Jamin did disclose that development should pay for development and the City could benefit from it.

8. Mayor's Report

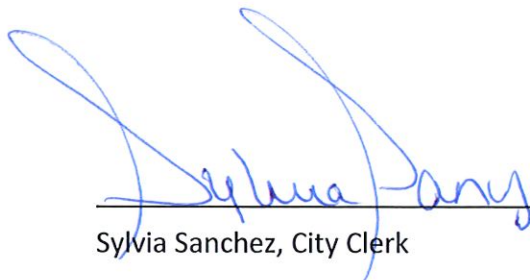
Mayor reports she had the Public Works guys out cleaning the garbage, trimming rose bushes and cleaning Governor's Park. Letters have been mailed out to citizens about cleaning up their yards. Victor was instructed to give out notices to RV's and we have had some responses already. The most noticeable homes are being addressed first. Mayor had started dog crates however; the crates have been stolen. There were discussions on how to keep the city out of liability if someone should request a crate. Mayor has reached out to Yakima Humane Society for a possible contract and is currently waiting for a call back. The concern is for children safety when walking to school and dogs running loose.

9. Adjournment:

Time: 7:31p.m



Rachel Ruelas, Mayor



Sylvia Sanchez, City Clerk