

The Special Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Karnofski.

**Roll Call:** Councilmembers in attendance were LaDonna Page, Kim Lefebvre, Mike Karnofski, Keenan Harvey, Jim Hill, and Lisa Alexander. Councilmember Brian Wood arrived at 4:35 p.m.

**Staff in attendance:** Executive/Legal Assistant Jessica Bronstein, Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield, Clerk Sherri Booth, Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas, Public Works Manager Devin Mackin, Chief of Police Darr Kirk, City Attorney Janean Parker, and City Manager Andrew Hamilton.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**Affordable Housing Feasibility Study:** Community Frameworks Adam Lee and Mathew Hurd presented a draft feasibility study for a multi-use low-income housing project located at Catlin and Main. Lengthy discussion followed.

**Transportation Benefit District Revenue Discussion:** Finance Director Brian Butterfield commented that the City will begin receiving TBD sales taxes in June, 2023, from the Department of Revenue. The City anticipates receiving \$200K to \$300K per year. Discussion followed regarding what street construction/maintenance projects to fund first.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**Discussion – Federal Legislation Priorities:** Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs Managing Partner Federal Affairs Dale Learn spoke about the process and the focus on funding opportunities at the federal level. He commented that they are waiting for the Presidential Budget to be released to begin formal efforts. Lengthy discussion followed.

**Discussion – State Legislation Priorities:** Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs State Lobbyist Josh Weiss and Annika Vaughn provided an overview on the current legislative session. Discussion followed.

Mayor Karnofski commented that the Goal Setting and Planning agenda item will be discussed in the regular meeting following the special meeting. He adjourned the special meeting at 4:55 p.m.

  
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