

Mayor Anderson called the Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council to order. Pastor Jay, from the Reign Church gave the invocation. Mayor Veryl Anderson led the flag salute. Councilmembers in attendance were Keenan Harvey, Brian Wood, Mike Karnofski, Veryl Anderson and Kim Lefebvre. Councilmember Jim Hill was absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Lefebvre, ‘Add a presentation.’ Motion passed, all voting yes. Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Wood, Approve the Agenda as amended.’ Motion passed, all voting yes.

MINUTES: Upon motion by Councilmember Alexander, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, ‘Approve the Minutes of the April 16, 2024 Regular Meeting.’ Motion passed, all voting yes.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Anderson read a proclamation declaring May 11-17, 2024, as “National Police Week” in the City of Kelso.

PRESENTATIONS:

Senator Jeff Wilson and Cal Fowler gave an overview of the Monticello Convention and invited the Council and community to a ribbon cutting ceremony for the newly restored Monticello Convention Site Park on May 30, 2024.

CITIZENS BUSINESS: Two citizens from the audience spoke.

PUBLIC HEARING - 2022 HOME Program Dollars:

City of Longview Program Coordinator Specialist Kenny Robinson provided an overview of the HOME Investment Program. The City of Kelso’s portion of this grant is \$87,125 Discussion followed.

Mayor Anderson opened the public hearing at 6:30 PM. There being no comment from the public, Mayor Anderson closed the public hearing at 6:31 PM.

Upon motion by Councilmember Karnofski, seconded by Councilmember Harvey, ‘Divide the funds among the Catlin and West Main Project.’ Councilmembers Karnofski, Lefebvre, Harvey, Wood, and Anderson voted yes. Councilmember Alexander voted no. Motion passed 5 to 1

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) with MSCCCE Local 1557 Public Works (AFSCME)

Upon motion by Councilmember Harvey, seconded by Councilmember Karnofski, ‘Approve the consent agenda as written.’ Motion passed, all voting yes.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Request and Agreements for reimbursable work by Cowlitz County: Herbicide Vegetation Management, Mechanical Vegetation Management, Striping, Chip Seal and Reimbursable Work as requested.: Public Works Director Devin Mackin briefed the Council. Upon motion Councilmember Karnofski, seconded by Councilmember Harvey. 'Approve the agreement with Cowlitz County for Herbicide Vegetation Management, Mechanical Vegetation Management, Equipment Rental, Striping and Reimbursable Work as Requested.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

Professional Service Agreement: CONSOR North America, Inc. to provide construction management and inspection services for the construction phase of the Hazel Street Railroad Grade Separation Project. Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas briefed the council. Upon motion by Councilmember Wood, seconded by Councilmember Alexander. 'Authorize the City Manager to execute the Local Agency Professional Services Agreement with CONSOR North America, Inc. in the amount of \$3,081,067.26.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

ACTION ITEMS:

Ordinance No. (1st Reading) - An Ordinance revising KMC 2.64 – Stormwater Advisory Committee: The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Karnofski, seconded by Councilmember Harvey. 'Pass on 1st reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON AMENDING KMC CHAPTER 2.64 "STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE" OF THE KELSO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO AMENDING THE MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES FOR THE COMMITTEE AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.' Motion passed, all voting yes.

Ordinance No. 24-4004 - Waive SDC fees on Affordable Housing Projects (CHIP Funding Ordinance): The Deputy Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Upon motion by Councilmember Wood, seconded by Councilmember Harvey. 'Approve the ordinance, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON RELATING TO WAIVERS OF SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS WHEN SUCH CHARGES WILL BE REIMBURSED BY OTHER NON-UTILITY FUNDING SOURCES; AND PROVIDING CLAUSES FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Motion passed, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Andrew Hamilton: 1) Spoke about National Police Week and the Kelso Police Department. 2) Mentioned May 5-11, 2024 is Municipal Clerks Week.

STAFF REPORTS:

Finance Director/City Clerk Brian Butterfield: No report.

City Attorney Janean Parker: No report.

Community Development Director/City Engineer Mike Kardas: Provided an update on current projects.

Public Works Manager Devin Mackin: Briefed council on the status of a current projects.

Library Director Erik Moser: Updated council on current and upcoming summer activities.

Chief of Police Darr Kirk: Introduced the new Airport Manager Craig Stommel.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Brian Wood: Reported on recent meetings he attended.

Veryl Anderson: Mentioned local events she attended.

Jim Hill: Absent.

Keenan Harvey: Reported on recent meetings and local events he attended.


Lisa Knight Alexander: Reported on various meetings and local functions she attended.

Kim Lefebvre: Reported on recent meetings she attended.

Mike Karnofski: Reported on recent meetings and local events he attended.

There being no further business, Mayor Anderson adjourned the meeting at 7:04 PM.


MAYOR


CITY CLERK