



City Council Meeting Minutes

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Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor • Bart Hansen • Ty Stober • Erik Paulsen • Sarah J. Fox • Diana H. Perez • Kim D. Harless

July 1, 2024

WORKSHOPS: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Vancouver City Hall - Council Chambers - 415 W 6th Street, Vancouver WA

Workshops were conducted in person in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on www.cvtv.org and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, or www.facebook.com/VancouverUS.

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Workers Compensation Update

(Approximately 1 Hour)

Brent Waddle, Risk and Safety Manager, 360-487-8436; Antoinette Gasbarre, Human Resources Director, 360-487-8607

Summary

Staff led Council through a discussion of the Workers Compensation Update.

Councilmember Harless was late from the workshop.

Police Levy Recommendation

(Approximately 1 Hour, to immediately follow previous workshop)

Jeff Mori, Police Chief, 360-487-7498; Natasha Ramras, Chief Financial Officer, 360-487-8484

Summary

Staff led Council through a discussion of the Police Levy Recommendation.

COUNCIL DINNER/ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES (6:00-6:30 PM)

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

This meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting with in person and remote viewing and participation over video conference utilizing a GoToMeeting platform. Members of the public were invited to view the meeting in person, via the live broadcast on www.cvtv.org and CVTV cable channels 23 or HD 323, or on the City's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/VancouverUS. Public access and testimony on Consent Agenda items and under the Community Forum were also facilitated in person and via the GoToMeeting conference call.

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Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order and Roll Call

The regular meeting of the Vancouver City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor McEnerny-Ogle. This meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting, including both in person and remotely over video conference.

Present: Councilmembers Harless, Perez, Fox, Paulsen, Stober, Hansen, and Mayor McEnerny-Ogle

Absent: None

Proclamations: Independence Day

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle read and presented a proclamation to Arianna Perez-Perez, Evergreen High School Student and EHS Latino Union Member, Pamela Melchor Burgos, fall WSUV student and current Latino Leadership Northwest Intern and Francisco Javier Valencia, student from Fort Vancouver High School, proclaiming July 4, 2024, as Independence Day.

Community Communications

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened Community Communication and received testimony from the following community members regarding any matter on the agenda not scheduled for a Public Hearing:

- Kimberlee Goheen Elbon, La Center, WA
- Carmen DeLeon, Vancouver
- Brian McCarl, Oregon

There being no further testimony, Mayor McEnerny-Ogle closed Community Communication.

Consent Agenda (Items 1-8)

Council pulled item 6 for discussion.

Motion by Councilmember Paulsen, seconded by Councilmember Fox, and carried unanimously to approve items 1-5, 7 and 8 on the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Councilmember Paulsen, seconded by Councilmember Perez, and carried unanimously to approve item 6 on the Consent Agenda.

1. Construction Acceptance - Construction and Rehabilitation of Industrial Pump Station per Bid 22-31

Staff Report: 124-24

The existing pump station’s electrical and mechanical equipment was replaced with modern and energy efficient equipment that meets City standards. In August 2022, City Council approved a contract with Clark and Sons Excavating, Inc. to complete this work.

The contractor has satisfactorily completed this project in accordance with the provided contract plans and specifications. Contract costs are summarized below.

TOTAL CONTRACT COSTS	
Labor, Equipment, and Materials	\$1,185,775.42
Sales Tax	\$103,071.38
Total	\$1,288,846.80
Retainage	\$59,288.77

The final contract amount was approximately 4% higher than the original contract amount of \$1,241,782.50. Changes were made during construction to replace other equipment within the pump station that was not suitable to be re-used and to accommodate minor design changes based on field conditions.

The apprenticeship utilization goal of 4% was met by Clark and Sons Excavating, Inc., and their subcontractors, delivering 97.5 apprenticeship hours of the total 2,403.50 project hours.

Request: Accept the Construction and Rehabilitation of Industrial Pump Station project as constructed by Clark and Sons Excavating, Inc. of Battle Ground, WA and authorize release of bond, subject to receipt of all documentation required by law.

Frank Dick, Wastewater Treatment Program Manager, 360-487-7179

Motion approved the request.

2. Contract Amendment - Approval of increasing the threshold of an existing contract with Vanquish Investment Group (DBA: Pacific Service Center): C-101447

Staff Report: 125-24

Fleet Services is currently collaborating with a vendor to upfit replacement cargo vans and enclosed cargo trailers. This upfitting includes the installation of shelving units, storage bins, partitions, ladder racks, and specialized equipment mounts tailored to specific departmental needs. The Water, Wastewater, and Grounds divisions utilize these upfitted cargo vans and trailers. At present, the fleet comprises 15 cargo vans and 10 enclosed trailers featuring these improvements.

The original contract, awarded on October 16, 2023, was valued at \$300,000. So far in 2023, four replacement cargo vans have been upfitted, with two more awaiting upfitting. Additionally, five cargo vans and two enclosed trailers scheduled for replacement in 2024 have arrived and are ready for upfitting. Expenditures for this contract are nearing the \$300,000 limit. The requested increase will cover the upfitting needs for the 2024 replacement vans and trailers. It will also accommodate the upfitting of three future cargo vans and two future cargo trailers, scheduled for replacement between 2025 and 2028. These vehicle replacement upfits will depend on the inclusion of replacement vehicles in future approved budgets.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, or their designee, to increase the spending limit with Vanquish Investment Group for cargo van upfitting on an as-needed basis by \$700,000, to a not-to-

exceed amount of \$1,000,000.

*Jake Mahan, Senior Management Analyst, 360-487-8195;
Dan Zenger, Equipment Superintendent, 360-487-8205*

Motion approved the request.

3. Piggyback Contract - Approval of an increase for purchasing a sewer pipe inspection van and related equipment using Sourcewell Contract 120721-RVL: C-101556

Staff Report: 034-24

The Wastewater Division of the Public Works Department has a closed-circuit TV van, which is at the end of its lifecycle, and is due for replacement. The function of this van is to deploy high-definition cameras into sewer pipelines to perform sanitary sewer inspections.

A replacement CCTV van with video equipment is estimated to be approximately \$362,024 before applicable sales tax. Fleet Service staff requests that the Sourcewell contract be amended to include all current costs associated with the replacement of the sewer inspection van and appurtenant video equipment.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, or their designee, to approve purchases under C-101556: Sourcewell 120721-RVL for the life of the contract with SWS Equipment up to the current authorized budget.

*Jake Mahan, Senior Management Analyst, 360-487-8195;
Dan Zenger, Equipment Superintendent, 360-487-8205*

Motion approved the request.

4. Contract Amendment - Professional Services Agreement for Community Court Services-Zhen Building Location

Staff Report: 126-24

In November 2023, Council ratified the City Manager's Declaration of Emergency related to homelessness. One of the recommended strategies for addressing the emergency was to increase Community Court capacity. Recovery Café has been donating the use of their space for Community Court, as well as lunch for the participants each week, since the program launched in April 2023. However, Recovery Café is unable to accommodate the change in capacity and schedule, and their space is no longer available to Community Court as of July 1, 2024.

The space needs required by the Community Court program are unique. City Staff have identified the following criteria that would be needed for an ideal location:

- (A) Low barriers to participants: accessibility for people with varied physical abilities and mobility needs, as well as avoiding buildings that carry historic institutional trauma;*
- (B) Functionality and flexibility: adequate space for multiple service providers while offering a semi-private location for court hearings;*
- (C) Affordable cost and public control: providing reasonable assurance of availability for program participants and service providers into the foreseeable future; and*
- (D) Compatibility with neighboring properties.*

The City has a space available in the City-owned “Zhen Building” at 5107 E. Fourth Plain Blvd. that meets the unique needs of the Community Court program and also keeps the program in the same general area where it has been operating since opening, ensuring a smoother transition for participants. Market rent rate of the suite available for this use is \$10 per square foot and has been vacant since November 2023. This City facility is owned 60% by the City Water Fund and 40% by City General Fund. This agreement proposes the sharing of the cost of the space between the City and District Court with the County paying \$6 per square foot, all of which will be allocated to the Water Fund, and the City contributing the value of \$4 per square foot from the General Fund. City Staff is recommending the approval of this amendment to the existing Professional Services Agreement, to ensure continuation of the Community Court program, as well as ensure the program can increase its capacity as recommended to address the homelessness emergency.

Request: Approve the amendment to Professional Services Agreement for Community Court Services - Zhen Building Location.

Jamie Spinelli, Homeless Response Manager, 360-487-8610; Linda Carlson, Property Management Specialist, 360-487-8423

Motion approved the request.

5. Partial Sewer Easement Vacation - Park Meadow Subdivision

Staff Report: 127-24

The existing sewer easement comprises a strip of land 35 feet in width immediately to the west of the previous public right of way for NE 56th Avenue in unincorporated Clark County. The dedication of additional public right of way as part of the plat for the Park Meadow subdivision has eliminated the need for a separate easement within the limits of the plat. Staff has determined that the portion of the existing easement within the plat that lies outside of the new right-of-way dedication will not be needed for maintenance of existing or proposed public sewer facilities. The partial vacation of the easement will therefore unencumber approximately the east

16 feet of lots 20 and 21 as shown on the plat. The remaining easement south of the Park Meadow plat will remain in place.

Request: Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to sign the attached easement release.

Sheryl Hale, Senior Civil Engineer, 360-487-7151

Motion approved the request.

6. Felida Park Senior Housing and PACE Facility - Connecting Housing to Infrastructure Program Award

Staff Report: 128-24

A RESOLUTION relating to low-income housing; providing for acceptance of the 2023 Connecting Housing through Infrastructure Program (CHIP) funding award for the Felida Park Senior Housing and PACE Facility project and authorizing the City Manager to execute agreements and other related documents on behalf of the City of Vancouver for this award.

In 2023, the Washington State Department of Commerce opened its application for the Connecting Housing to Infrastructure Program (CHIP). CHIP supports the development of affordable housing through providing funding for system development charges (SDC) and water and sewer infrastructure development. In January 2024, the City of Vancouver received \$3.49 million in CHIP funding for four housing projects.

In early 2024, Specialized Housing Inc. approached the City of Vancouver to request administration of the infrastructure portion of their CHIP grant totaling \$949,473, originally awarded to Clark County. Clark County has indicated their inability to manage the grant due to a lack of capacity. Specialized Housing, Inc. received a total CHIP grant award of \$1,430,283, of which \$949,473 will support infrastructure development and the remaining \$480,810 will pay for system development charges (SDC). Clark County Public Works will remain responsible for the SDC portion of this grant.

This CHIP award will support the development of affordable senior housing and a Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) facility, the only one of its kind in Clark County. The project will provide 65 units of affordable housing for seniors earning at or below 50% of the area median income (AMI), with 33 units set aside for households earning at or below 30% AMI. This project is also supported by the Housing Trust Fund (HTF) and Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) funding.

The Washington State Department of Commerce has provided an award letter reallocating the grant to the City of Vancouver. The grant award can only be used for the Felida Park Senior Housing Project, which is located in

Clark County but outside city limits. The City of Vancouver will receive a management fee of \$28,484.19 (3% of the total award amount) paid by the developer to cover the costs associated with managing this grant. The funds will be provided to the developer as a low-interest loan. The City of Vancouver would be responsible for the administration of this loan. The Washington State Department of Commerce is responsible for the ongoing monitoring of this project.

Request: Approve a resolution authorizing the City of Vancouver to accept and administer the \$949,473 CHIP grant for the Felida Park Senior Housing Project and the PACE facility, and to approve the reallocation of this award from Clark County.

Hayley Woodbridge, Associate Housing Project Coordinator, 360-487-7867; Samantha Whitley, Housing Programs Manager, 360-487-7952

Motion adopted Resolution M-4284 to approve the request.

7. Aviation Advisory Committee Appointments

The purpose of the Aviation Advisory Committee (AAC) is to provide advice and recommendations to the Airport Manager, City Manager, and City Council, as well as other city departments, regarding the management and operations of the Airport and other aviation related issues affecting Pearson Field Airport and the City of Vancouver.

Council Committee 1 recently interviewed candidates for three full-term vacancies on this committee and recommends the reappointment of Laura Krueger with a term expiration of May 15, 2027, and the appointment of Austin Merle and Joe Ong to full-term positions that would begin immediately and expire May 15, 2027.

Council Committee 2 recently interviewed candidates for this committee and recommends the mid-term appointment of Shon Lindley to a position that would begin immediately and expire May 15, 2025.

If there are no objections, this appointment will be presented for Council action at the at the Monday, July 1, Council meeting.

Request: Reappoint Laura Krueger for a full-term with a term expiration of May 15, 2027. Appoint Austin Merle and Joe Ong to full-term positions that would begin immediately and expire May 15, 2027. Lastly, appoint Shon Lindley to a mid-term position that would begin immediately and expire May 15, 2025.

Council Committee 1 & 2

Motion approved the request.

8. Approval of Claim Vouchers

Request: Approve claim vouchers for June 17, 2024.

Motion approved claim vouchers in the amount of \$18,464,409.49.

Public Hearings (Item 9)

9. South Cascade Terrace Subdivision

Staff Report: 105-24

AN ORDINANCE rendering findings and issuing a decision on the South Cascade Terrace zone change from R-9 Lower Density Residential to R-17 Lower Density Residential; and a 60-lot subdivision; and providing for severability and an effective date.

On April 16, 2024, a public hearing was conducted before the Hearings Examiner. On May 9, 2024, the Hearings Examiner issued findings, conclusions and recommendations. Her findings/recommendation are that both the zone change ordinance and subdivision should be APPROVED by City Council.

Additionally, on the April 16, 2024, the SEPA appeal was heard by the Hearing Examiner and subsequently DENIED on May 9, 2024.

Request: On Monday, July 1, 2024, subject to second reading and quasi-judicial public hearing, approve the ordinance.

Kristian Corbin, Senior Planner, 360-487-7818

Mayor McEnery-Ogle opened the Quasi-Judicial Hearing for the South Cascade Terrace Subdivision.

Jonathan Young, City Attorney, provided an overview of the guidelines of conducting the hearing invoking the Appearance of Fairness Doctrine. Mr. Young stated the Council would be asked to disclose any ex parte communication or other Appearance of Fairness issues pertaining to the matter.

Mr. Young then asked each member of the Council to disclose any direct or indirect benefit they could derive from the decision and determined there were no messages requiring disclosure.

All of the Councilmembers reported nothing to disclose.

Kristian Corbin, Senior Planner, provided an overview of the South Cascade Terrace Subdivision.

Mayor McEnerny-Ogle opened the public hearing and did not receive testimony from the community.

There being no testimony, Mayor McEnerny-Ogle closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Paulsen, and carried unanimously to approve Ordinance 4452.

Communications

A. From the Council

B. From the Mayor

C. From the City Manager

Fort Vancouver Regional Library Board Update

Vikram Kotwani, Fort Vancouver Regional Library Board Member, discussed the Fort Vancouver Regional Library Board Update.

Adjournment

7:56 p.m.

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Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor

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Natasha Ramras
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Natasha Ramras, City Clerk

The written comments below are those of the submitter alone and are not representative of the views of CVTV or the City of Vancouver, its elected or appointed officials, or its employees.

My name is Kimberlee Goheen Elbon Patriot Life Citizen of CC WA USA. Speaking to the workshop I ask Citizens to pay close attention to these two agendas. Will the solid renewal program use human waste as fertilizer? Do Vancouver Citizens know that there is an incinerator plant here and I can't imagine the pollution emitted. This program also mentions 'Natural renewable gas' while I Believe this City does not want Natural Gas at all. I'll add Citizens must get involved.

Looking at the Comprehensive Plan update with a lens of understanding that you, by following a Marxist agenda want Vancouver Citizens to accept all illegal immigrants that are here now and in the future. By being members of the United Nations the agenda is to weaken America and Our way of Life to implement the Agenda 21-2030 one world government order to rule over People and to depopulate.

Speaking to housing here – mayor Ogle is on the CCCouncil record of May 29th and would not tell the council or the Citizens where the Bridge Shelter will be located stating “ I'm sure you're very aware of the fact that once that becomes Public – that becomes a problem ! Why I ask ? Being Honest with The Public would be a problem ?! ?! ?! Get involved Citizens.

All of the consent items today as always will be passed using Hard Earned Tax Dollars and the Citizens do not have a clue about criminal joe bidens American ReScrew Plan using HETD 's so again I ask that this Local Government be audited in many areas such as the Homeless monies and general contractors' and or developers monies as examples.

Now under Communications – The Homeless Emergency response ~ We are working on getting the Homeless population here into a Council meeting and hold you accountable. I've mentioned for months that the tent camp off King and 11th - West of the Court House – need new porta-potties !!! None so far. Audit audit audit !!!

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Last but most important is the city managers report listed as City Council Policy update. What a sneaky way to bring forth to The Citizens of Vancouver that They can now have Their First Amendment Rights back after being taken away almost two years ago. I Believe that action was illegal and definitely unconstitutional to say the least. This will not go away. I'll ask Citizens to watch the VCCouncil meeting of October 24, 2022 as I was illegally taken out of chambers showing their Marxist communist treatment to Citizens. This council has proven its loyalty to the United Nations socialist Marxist communist form of governmental rule over The People by quashing Open Public Comments that should be recorded for the record but your loyalty controls The People as they will have to sit and wait for the Council meeting to adjourn and then OFF RECORD – NOT RECORDED Comments can be made by The People. What a slap in the face and I'm Hoping that these past few years of Speaking to The Vancouver Citizen will finally result in ACTIVE ASSEMBLY and INVOLVEMENT here and in all Cities in Clark County. The Clark County Council is also taking First Amendment Rights away and I ask ALL CITIZENS to Assemble in Person, by phone or zoom meetings. I ask Citizens to listen daily to FM Radio 101.1 - Citizens such as MySelf Speak on the Lars Larson show for Local Concerns – also go to geoengineeringwatch.org – also go to YouTube and watch what is happening in Congress, the House and Senate. WE MUST get active in Our Local GrassRoots government as Our ForeFathers WARNED US to do and We MUST ASSEMBLE and COMMUNICATE before the Elections - and educating Yourself is key to making Good decisions as We struggle to keep Our Freedom - Our Liberties and Our Family Values.

By the way I left two messages with Fire Chief Blue with no reply. I'm asking him now on record to set aside the \$50,000 dollars he received from this City – set aside for a 2025 Fireworks Celebration at The Historic Fort Vancouver Barracks Celebrating INDEPENDENCE DAY on The Fourth of July 2025 and hence forth. There is no fire hazard and YOU WILL NOT TAKE PATRIOTISM OUT OF VANCOUVER WA USA with that excuse. The real reason is – this is a sanctuary City and

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PATRIOTISM is not welcome. You took the Greatest Celebration this side of the Mississippi away because of a Marxist communist agenda and to hell with The Patriot. Not on My watch As I Serve God Family and Country - LETS MAKE AMERICA GODLY AGAIN Amen.

Submitted by Kimberlee
Goheen Elbon 6-17-24 6:45pm
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