ROLL CALL was answered by Councilmembers Barry, Bassett, Bennett, Brown, Collins, Davis and Mayor Perrie.

Others present were City Manager Barkley, City Attorney Pidduck, City Clerk Reno, Public Works Director Akers, Community Development Director Witkowski, Planning Associate Eyerly, Executive Assistant Gigstead, Daily Record City Reporter Halliday and approximately 15 members of the audience.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Perrie read a proclamation for “Donna Nylander as an Ellensburg City Art Treasure”.

Authorize Mayor to sign proclamation. Bassett

Affirmed

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approve agenda. Barry

Affirmed

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda were distributed to Councilmembers in advance for study and were enacted by one motion with separate discussion to the extent any items were removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of a Councilmember.

Approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Barry

A. Approve Minutes - March 26, 2001, Special Session

Approve Minutes - April 2, 2001, Regular Session

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions

(1) Planning Commission - March 15, 2001

(2) Environmental Commission - March 21, 2001
(3) Cable Television Commission - March 28, 2001

(4) Lodging Tax Advisory Committee - April 4, 2001

Award Bid Call 2001-12 - Central Business District Node Reconstruction at
5th & Pearl to MRM Construction

Authorize Mayor to Sign Contract Amendment with Gray & Osborne for Water Street Construction Inspection

Accept Resignation of Kathy Kent from Parks and Recreation Commission

and Authorize Mayor to Sign Letter of Appreciation

Approve Time Extension to May 1, 2005 for West Park Short Plat

Approve Use of Facilities and Downtown Parade Route for Ellensburg Rodeo August 30, 2001 - September 4, 2001

Approve Excused Absence for Councilmember Davis on April 23, 2001

Approve April 16, 2001 Claims Fund Voucher Numbers 47903 Through 48115 in the Total Amount of $990,014.40 and Payroll Fund Check Numbers 39693 Through 40087 in the Total Amount of $640,183.98. Affirmed

LETTER FROM KCAC RE: GRANT APPLICATION

Richard Kuczek, Executive Director of Kittitas County Action Council, was present to request City approval of the annual Emergency Shelter Grant Program application for the 2001-2002 contract period.

Authorize Mayor to sign support of application for Emergency Shelter Grant. Bassett

Affirmed

MEMO FROM BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION RE: MAIN STREET PARKING LOT

Council acknowledged the memo from the Beautification Commission requesting that the 316 North Main Street parking lot landscaping project in the amount of $15,000 be revisited as a future budget item request.

ORDINANCE NO. 4274 - GAMBLING TAX

At the meeting on April 2, 2001, the City Council held a public hearing on the proposed gambling tax ordinance and gave first reading to Ordinance No. 4274. Section 6.70.160 of the ordinance was
amended to provide for Council review of the administration and application of the tax during July 2003.

**Read for the second time, Ordinance No. 4274. Bassett**

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington amending the Ellensburg Municipal Code relating to taxation of gambling, and creating a new chapter of the City Code entitled 6.70 - “Gambling Tax”.

Amend Section 6.70.010(5) to change tax rates for social card games to one percent Brown beginning January 1, 2002 and two percent on January 1, 2003.

Motion died for lack of a second.

Amend Section 6.70.010(5) to charge no tax for social card games in 2001, then Barry beginning January 1, 2002 the rate shall be seven percent and on January 1, 2003 the rate shall increase to 10 percent. Affirmed (Brown, Davis, Perrie - no)

Eight audience members spoke against the proposed gambling tax due to its impact on existing and new businesses and the potential loss of jobs. One audience member stated the proposed taxes are reasonable as there will be financial and social impacts to the community.

Mayor Perrie stated he just received a letter of resignation from Councilmember Richard Brown effective immediately.

Vote on main motion. Barry

Bassett

Bennett(no)

Collins(no)

Davis(no)

Perrie(no)

Motion defeated.

**Read for the second time, the original ordinance No. 4274 given first reading. Bennett**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON AMENDING THE ELLENSBURG MUNICIPAL CODE relating to TAXATION OF GAMBLING, AND**
CREATING A NEW CHAPTER OF THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE ENTITLED 6.70 - “GAMBLING TAX”. Affirmed (Davis, Perrie - no)

Adopt Ordinance No. 4274. Bassett

Barry

Bassett

Bennett

Collins

Davis(no)

Perrie(no)

Motion approved.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (SEPA) CODE AMENDMENTS

At the April 2, 2001 meeting, the City Council continued consideration of the amendments to the SEPA review procedures and standards until the April 9 study session and April 16 regular meeting.

Read for the first time, Ordinance No. 4275. Bennett


Affirmed (Davis-no)

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - STREET REGULATORY SIGN CHANGES

The proposed ordinance address concerns from the Ellensburg Police Department and individuals working at the County Courthouse, to alter some of the existing parking ordinances.

Read for the first time, Ordinance No. 4276. Bassett

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington amending the Ellensburg Municipal Code relating to parking and traffic and amending sections 8.10.02 - no parking - designated places; 8.18.02 - angle parking only; and 8.36.16 - caution and yielding right-of-way required at designated locations. Affirmed
CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAM

The Certified Local Government (CLG) Program is a partnership between the U.S. Department of the Interior National Park Service, Washington State Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (WA OAHP) and local governments to aid in the preservation of local historical resources. Administered by the WA OAHP, the CLG program provides to the participants pass through grants, technical assistance and training.

Authorize staff to enter into contract with State for Certified Local Government Program. Bassett

Affirmed

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILMEMBER BROWN

Accept resignation of Councilmember Brown and direct staff to place ad in paper Bassett for vacancy with an application deadline of May 16 and interviews and possible selection May 21. Affirmed

PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Councilmember Bennett requested staff draft an ordinance to eliminate bars on windows and limit banners and amount of window space covered by advertisements.

Councilmember Bennett requested staff draft an ordinance for a 24 hour parking limit in City parking lots.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Airport Overlay Zone

Set public hearing on May 21 to consider an airport overlay zone. Bassett

Affirmed

City Hall Site Selection

Set public hearing on May 7 for feasibility study for three sites under consideration Bassett for a new city hall. Affirmed

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee and KCAC Board

Replace Councilmember Brown on Lodging Tax Advisory Committee with Bennett
Councilmember Bassett and replace Councilmember Bassett on KCAC Board with Councilmember Davis. Affirmed

COUNCILMEMBERS’ REPORTS

KITTCOM Board

Councilmember Bennett reported on the last KITTCOM Board meeting at which they discussed the new enhanced 911 system is now running.

Breakfast Meeting

The Council will meet with the County Commissioners on April 27 at the Palace at 7:00 a.m.

ADJOURN Adjourn at 9:26 p.m. Barry

Affirmed

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk