Minutes of Council Meeting, Regular Session
February 6, 2012
7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, 501 North Anderson Street

Roll Call Present: Arango, Aronica, Elliott, Lillquist, Miller, Morgan, and Tabb.

Others present were City Manager Barkley; City Attorney Pidduck; City Clerk Reno; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Assistant City Engineer Mayo; Planning Supervisor Bailey; and approximately 15 members of the audience.

Agenda Approval

Motion to approve the agenda. Elliott

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.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Elliott

A. Approve Minutes – January 17, 2012, Regular Session

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions

(1) Cable Television Commission – November 16, 2011

(2) Landmarks and Design Commission – November 15, 2011; December 6, 2011; and December 20, 2011

(3) Senior Advisory Board – December 13, 2011

C. Award Bid Call 2012-01 – CBD and Main Street Sidewalk Repair to RP&E Construction

D. Approve the Transit Study Planning Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation and the City of Ellensburg

E. Award Bid Call 2012-05 – Sidewalk Repair Program to RP&E Construction

F. Award Bid Call 2012-10 – Crack-Fill Machine to Arrow Construction Supply, Inc. for $52,622.72
G. Authorize the Energy Services Director to Sign the Service Agreement with The Howell Group, LLC, DBA Telecommunications Consulting Associates

H. Accept the Final Contract Amounts and Accept the Airport Replacement Well Project as Complete

I. Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Bruce Dees & Associates for the Rotary Park Master Plan Project

J. Approve the Meadows Plat – Phase 2 as Final and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Final Plat; Approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

K. Approve February 6, 2012 Claims Fund Voucher Numbers 106736 Through 107015 in the Amount of $1,919,862.49; Direct Deposit in the Amount of $1,325,261.01; Payroll Fund Check Numbers 83002 Through 83092 in the Total Amount of $93,701.39; Direct Deposit in the Amount of $181,688.08; and Electronic Fund Transfer of $3,862.00. Affirmed

Boards and Commissions Applications

Jack Frost, James Rivard, and Tom Zett spoke regarding their interest in serving on boards and Commissions.

Request form HopeSource/Central Transit to Make Adjustments to Two Transit Stops at Fourth Avenue and Ruby Street

Bob Richey, Transportation Manager of HopeSource/Central Transit, is requesting adjustments to two transit stops at Fourth Avenue and Ruby Street.

Motion to direct staff to prepare an ordinance to accommodate the alteration in the Elliott parking to accommodate the bus stops as outlined. Affirmed

Ordinance No. 4612 - Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter Deferral Amendments

The proposed ordinance amends Chapter 4.06 of the Ellensburg Municipal Code to designate the Public Works Director as the official responsible for administrative decisions relating to the requirement for construction of sidewalks, curbs and gutters in conjunction with development project applications. Current Code identifies the responsible official as the Community Development Director who is supportive of this change. Ordinance No. 4612 was given first reading at the January 17, 2012 meeting.

Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4612. Elliott Lillquist

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington changing the person responsible for administration of the requirements for sidewalk, curb and
gutter construction and amending section 4.06.060 of the Ellensburg Municipal Code.

Vote on motion. Arango (yes)
Aronica (yes)
Elliott (yes)
Lillquist (yes)
Miller (yes)
Morgan (yes)
Tabb (yes)

Motion approved.

**Award Bid Call 2012-02 – Main Street Overlay Project – Jackson Avenue to University Way**

Motion to award Bid Call 2012-02 to Granite Construction in the amount of $613,278. Elliott

Affirmed

Motion to waive the noise ordinance for the contractor’s planing/grinding, paving, Elliott

and striping portions of the contract for the times requested. Affirmed

**Tourism Promotion Agreement with Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce**

The City has contracted with the Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce for a number of years to provide tourism development and promotion services. Council direction at the meeting of January 3, 2012, was to bring a contract back to Council for consideration, along with supporting material.

Jim Armstrong and Amy McGuffin, Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of the need for a dedicated Tourism Director position.

The City Council discussed the proposed Tourism Promotion Agreement.

Motion to approve the Tourism Promotion Agreement with the following amendments: Elliott

In A.8, strike “throughout the state”; in A.12 add “training”, in C.2 change “patty” to “party” and in C.4 change “patties” to “parties”. Affirmed

**Planning Commission Recommendation on Allowing Beekeeping in the City**

At the November 7, 2011 meeting, the City Council received a request to consider allowing
beekeeping in the City. The City Council referred the issue to the Planning Commission. At the January 12, 2012 meeting, the Planning Commission recommended language that the City Council could consider adopting to allow beekeeping within the residential zones of the City.

Motion to direct staff to come back with a beekeeping ordinance per recommendations Elliott of the Planning Commission incorporating language and also location. Affirmed

Manager’s Report

Set Special Meetings

Motion to set a Special Meeting on March 2, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. for the Council Retreat. Elliott Affirmed

Recognition for the Finance Director

Finance Director Ariwoola has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association.

Councilmembers’ Reports

Councilmember Arango reported on the Brownfields Project and the E-3 Fair.

Councilmember Aronica reported on the upcoming Utility Advisory Committee meeting.

Councilmember Elliott reported on the EMS Council and an upcoming Red Cross fundraiser.

Councilmember Lillquist reported on the Yakima Basin Fish and Wildlife Recovery Board meeting and Flood Control Zone District meeting.

Councilmember Miller reported on the Law and Justice Council meeting, the Homeless and Affordable Housing Committee meeting, the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Legislative Conference, the Community Network Coalition meeting, and the AWC elected officials training.

Councilmember Morgan reported on the Conference of Governments meeting. She also requested that if board or commission meetings are going to be changed, that the Council be notified as well.

Mayor Tabb reported on the Public Transit Committee. He also reported that he volunteered at the Brew Fest event and attended a concert at CWU.

Recess

Council recessed to executive session at 9:07 p.m. to discuss the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood
of decreased price. The executive session was announced to be for an estimated 20 minutes and Council was expected to possibly reconvene for action.

It was announced that following the executive session, there would be a closed meeting to discuss collective bargaining and no action was anticipated.

At 9:08 p.m., the executive session commenced.

Reconvene

At 9:28 p.m., Council returned to the regular meeting.

Motion to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to enter into a purchase and Elliott sale agreement with MTA Holdings, LLC, for the sale of 100 acres of City owned land consisting of Lot 6, West Ellensburg Business Park Boundary Line Adjustment Record of Survey consisting of 79.01 acres of vacant land, along with the southernmost 20.99 acres of Lot 5 of the West Ellensburg Business Park Boundary Line Adjustment Record of Survey, for the amount of $1,326,798. Affirmed

Motion to authorize staff to process a lot line adjustment combining Lot 6, West Elliott Ellensburg Business Park Boundary Line Adjustment Record of Survey and the southernmost 20.99 acres of Lot 5 of the Ellensburg Business Park Boundary Line Adjustment Record of Survey, into a single lot consisting of 100 acres and known as Lot 6 of the West Ellensburg Business Park Boundary Line Adjustment of Record. Affirmed

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. Arango

Affirmed

Council adjourned into a closed meeting to discuss collective bargaining.

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Mayor

ATTEST: ____________________________

City Clerk