CITY OF ELLENSBURG  

Minutes of Council Meeting, Regular Session  

Date of Meeting  
May 16, 2016

Time of Meeting  
7:00 p.m.

Place of Meeting  
Council Chambers, 501 North Anderson Street

Roll Call Present: Herion, Lillquist, Scheffer, Tabb and Elliott.

Excused Absence: Miller

Councilmember Morgan arrived at the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Others present were City Manager Akers; City Attorney Weiner; City Clerk Reno; Executive Assistant Gigstead; Public Works Director Lyyski; Community Development Director Sackett; Parks and Recreation Director Case; and approximately 10 members of the audience.

Proclamations

Mayor Elliott read the proclamation for National Preservation Month.

Motion to authorize Mayor to sign the proclamation. Tabb

Affirmed

Agenda Approval

Motion to approve the agenda. Tabb

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: Tabb

A. Approve Minutes – May 2, 2016, Regular Meeting

B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions

(1) Environmental Commission – March 16, 2016

(2) Landmarks and Design Commission – April 5, 2016

C. Approve use of five Parking Spaces in front of Rotary Pavilion for Ellensburg Pride Festival on June 4, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
D. Approve closure of the dike road and use of Irene Rinehart Riverfront Park on July 23, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for Ellensburg Triathlon

E. Adopt the Park Specific Master Plans for Irene Rinehart Riverfront Park, Kiwanis Park, Reed Park, Veterans Memorial Park, and Lions/Mt. View Park

F. Approve University Way Banner Request for Fashion Show from May 31, 2016 to June 6, 2016

G. Approve the 2017 Lodging Tax Capital Facilities Grant Program Application


Boards and Commissions Introductions

Lynn Harrison and Chad Youngquist spoke regarding their interest in serving on the Arts Commission or Environmental Commission and Ellensburg Business Development Authority Board.

Motion to accept the resignation of Ben Oblas, Arts Commission, and authorize Scheffer the Mayor to sign a letter of appreciation. Affirmed

Request from Ellensburg Downtown Association for Closure of Alley connecting 4th Avenue and 5th Avenue between Main Street and Pearl Street on June 4, 2016

A representative of Pride of Ellensburg spoke regarding the proposed alley closure.

Motion to approve the request from Ellensburg Downtown Association for Closure of Morgan Alley connecting 4th Avenue and 5th Avenue between Main Street and Pearl Street on June 4, 2016 from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Affirmed

Citizen Comment on Non-Agenda Issues

John Graf, Cove Road, on behalf of the Rotary Clubs, invited Council to the Business After Hours event on May 19, 2016.

Public Hearing - Proposed Ordinance – Establishing Amount and Length of Time for Ellensburg Transportation Benefit District Tax (Legislative)

Mayor Elliott opened the public hearing to consider the proposed ordinance establishing the amount and length of time for Ellensburg Transportation Benefit District Tax.
City Attorney Weiner summarized the agenda report.

Council asked questions of staff.

There being no further testimony, Mayor Elliott closed the public hearing.

**Motion for first reading of Ordinance No. 4727.** Tabb

AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A SALES AND USE TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO-TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT (0.2%) UPON ALL TAXABLE SALES AND USES FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS AND TAKING FURTHER ACTION RELATED THERETO.

Motion to amend the proposed ordinance language to reflect a four year time period. Morgan

After further discussion, the motion was withdrawn.

Vote on main motion. Affirmed

Council requested the Public Transit Advisory Committee be codified.

**Ordinance No. 4726 – No Parking, Disabled Parking Amendments**

The proposed ordinance reflects various revisions to the Traffic Code. The City Council gave first reading to Ordinance No. 4726 at the May 2, 2016 meeting.

**Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4726.** Morgan

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON RELATING TO CHAPTER 8.10 “NO PARKING,” AND CHAPTER 8.22 “DISABLED PARKING” AND AMENDING SECTIONS 8.10.020, 8.22.020, 8.22.040 AND 8.22.120 OF THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE. Herion (yes)

Lillquist (yes)

Morgan (yes)

Scheffer (yes)

Tabb (yes)

Elliott (yes)

Motion approved.

**Additional Changes to Draft Nuisance, Solid Waste, and Abandoned Property Maintenance Ordinances; Solid Waste Hauling and Code Enforcement Cost Information**
At Council’s March 21, 2016 meeting, staff was requested to provide additional information relating to self-haul vs. Waste Management solid waste service, and a cost estimate of staffing for code enforcement sufficient to address blighted property code issues.

Milt Johnston, 1211 Vuecrest; the owner of Patricia Place Apartments; Dan Buchanan; Jackie Stanley; Steve DuPont, 206 N. Sprague; Beverly Heckart, 906 East First; David Kaufman, 101 West 10th; and Fred Stanley, 201 E. 9th, spoke regarding self-haul vs. Waste Management service.

Motion to bring back the ordinance in the form that it is in related to compulsory Tabb garbage service with some suggested scriveners error corrections and expanded exceptions.

Affirmed (Herion – no; Elliott – did not vote)

Motion to strike the previous motion. Tabb

Affirmed (Morgan – no)

Motion to direct staff to proceed with budget preparations for an additional full time Tabb equivalent Code Enforcement Officer as proposed for the 2017 Budget.

Affirmed (Morgan – abstain)

Motion to direct staff to bring the proposed language on Pages 78-86, Section 5.40 of the Tabb Council Agenda back in a proposed ordinance for first reading. Affirmed

Motion to direct staff to prepare the proposed language in Chapter 5.42 in the Council Tabb Agenda on Pages 87-91 and bring back for first reading at a future Council meeting. Affirmed

Motion to direct staff to prepare the amendments provided in the Council Agenda on Lillquist Pages 69-77, Chapter 5.18, omitting any of the changed language related to compulsory garbage service. Affirmed

**Transfer Development Rights (TDR)**

Councilmember Scheffer recused herself from the discussion.

At Council’s last regular meeting, the first steps in forming a TDR program were considered.

Motion to not engage the consulting firm as recommended by the City Manager to Morgan do the gap analysis on the TDR program. Affirmed
Councilmember Scheffer returned to the meeting.

_Comprehensive Plan Update Strategy_

Staff is requesting to fill a currently unfunded Senior Planner position for the purpose of completing the Comprehensive Plan by the June 2017 deadline.

Motion to approve the Comprehensive Plan Update Strategy, including authorization Morgan for the Community Development Department to hire a temporary Senior Planner/Long-Range Planner position for purposes of completing the GMA required Comprehensive Plan Update.

Affirmed

_Manager’s Report_

_Set Public Hearings_

Motion to set a public hearing on June 6, 2016 to consider a request from Tyler Morgan Glahn, Crytyl Enterprises, Inc. to rezone property at 304 West 5th Avenue from Heavy Industrial to Central Commercial. Affirmed

Motion to set a public hearing on June 6, 2016 to consider the Six Year Transportation Tabb Improvement Plan amendments. Affirmed

_University Way Overlay_

Council consensus was that staff should proceed with the grinding and paving to take place at night.

_Councilmembers’ Reports_

Councilmember Morgan reported on the Library Board and KITTCOM Board.

Councilmember Lillquist recognized Nelson Ng and Fallen Peace Officers Day.

Mayor Elliott reported on the Kittitas Valley Fire and Rescue’s decision to shut down the Ellensburg High School prom early. He also clarified Council’s use of electronics during the meetings. In addition, he suggested Councilmembers attend their regular meetings with the City Manager. He also advised there are vacancies at KITTCOM, County Corrections and Public Health.

_Recess_

Council recessed to executive session at 9:35 p.m. to discuss pending litigation. The executive session was expected to last approximately five minutes and Council was not expected to reconvene.
Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. Scheffer

Affirmed

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Mayor

ATTEST: _________________________________

City Clerk