

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
January 10, 2023

STUDY SESSION

Homeless Sleep Center Feasibility Analysis

ECONorthwest Project Manager Lee Ann Ryan and her team presented a summary of the Sleep Center Analysis. The summary provided an overview of the demographics, housing market, and potential sites, as well as results from recent community engagement. Opportunities and constraints were listed for three potential sleep center locations, as well as scenarios for capital upgrades and ongoing operation cost estimates. Next steps will be final report and recommendations for Council consideration.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Myers with audio remote access. Special notice for remote attendance and citizen comment were posted on the meeting agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Myers; Deputy Mayor Martinez; Council Members Eck, Madewell, Swartz, and Skaug. Council Member Fancher was absent.

Action Taken: Council Member Eck moved to excuse Council Member Fancher, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 6 – 0.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Myers led the Flag Salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Council Member Madewell requested to move Consent Agenda item (c) 2022 Community Street and Utility Standards Resolution 3926 to New Business.

Action taken: Council Member Eck moved to approve the agenda as amended, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 6 – 0.

SUMMARY REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Former Council Member Jim Liebrecht Remembrance

Mayor Myers called for a moment of silence in remembrance of former Council Member Jim Liebrecht. City Manager Allison Williams presented a flower arrangement to widow and former Mayor Karen Liebrecht. Mrs. Liebrecht introduced family members in attendance and thanked them, staff, and members of the community for support and the moment for respecting their grievances.

Reappoint Members to Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC), Law Enforcement Officers' and Firefighters' (LEOFF) Disability Board, and Mosquito District Board

Mayor Myers recommended reappointment to seven positions that expired at the end of December for members interested in continuing to volunteer. Applications are under review

to fill for a Planning Commission vacancy at the next meeting. Applications are being accepted to fill LTAC vacancy by a resident that represents an agency who pays lodging tax.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to confirm reappointment of Chair/Council Member David Eck, Richard Hanover, Barry Lawson, and Tim Molitor to LTAC, second by Council Member Madewell. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to confirm reappointment of Council Member Judy Madewell to the LEOFF Board, second by Council Member Eck. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to confirm reappointment of Chris Blessing to the Mosquito District Board, second by Council Member Eck. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Council Committee Assignment Review

List of assignments were included in the meeting packet. Council concurred to keep all assignments “as is” for 2023.

Wind Ensemble Performance January 24 at 6 p.m.

Moses Lake High School students have been invited to perform at Carnegie Hall in April. Donation information is online for those interested in contributing to their trip. They are scheduled to do a benefit performance in the Civic Center Auditorium prior to the next Council meeting.

Volunteer Recognition for Sleep Center Support

Local business owner James Anderson and his family were recognized for the meals and supplies they have been providing to Sleep Center guest since its beginning in 2020. HopeSource staff were also present to express gratitude for their generosity.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Grant County Health District 2023 Interlocal Agreement (ILA)

Council authorized the annual renewal of services with an increase of \$3.00 per capita during the 2023 Budget workshop.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to approve the Grant County Health District ILA, second by Council Member Eck. The motion carried 6 – 0.

February Workshop with Nash Training

City Manager Allison Williams is working on the schedule for a Council workshop to continue leadership training and discuss department work plans with staff next month.

CLOSED HEARING

#1 Sagepoint Planned Development District (PDD)

Mayor Myers recited the opening statement for quasi-judicial proceeding for the consideration of the Hearing Examiners recommendations on the Sagepoint PDD for a 35-lot subdivision on 6.41 acres located south of Sagepoint Elementary School. Mayor and Council answered a series of questions by roll call vote to determine a fair and unbiased conduct. Community Development Director Kirsten Sackett provided an overview of the project for Council.

Community Services Building under the main building purpose of police station.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to approve the City Legislative Agenda as presented, second by Council Member Eck. The motion carried 6 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

- #4** 2022 Community Street and Utility Standards Resolution 3926
Council pulled from consent so inquire about the process for adopting local standards. Community Street and Utility Standards changes occur on an annual or biannual basis and reflect changes from the Washington State Department of Transportation / Washington State Standard Specifications document. The current update reflects pertinent changes due to the state’s update as well as detailed drawings to reflect public works input on current materials preferences and construction methods. Questions were asked about changes from City Council approval to City Engineer. These changes reflect Council direction to streamline permitting processes and timelines.

Action taken: Council Member Eck moved to adopt Resolution 3926 as presented, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 6 – 0.

- #5** Police Imprest Account Increase Resolution 3929
The Police Department regularly exceeds the current limit of \$2,000 during fundraising events held throughout the year. Staff recommends increasing the fund to \$10,000 as an adequate balance to collect donations that are directly spent back to community needs.

Action taken: Council Member Eck moved to adopt Resolution 3929 as presented, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 6 – 0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

AWC Workers Comp Refund

Human Resources Director Shannon Springer shared that this is a voluntary financial incentive program that helps employers reduce their industrial insurance costs through improved claims experience and refunds. The city has been awarded a refund check in the amount of \$131,179 for the 2019 retro year. She is working on expanding existing division safety programs to a citywide program.

Hearing Examiner Annual Report

The Hearing Examiner report summarized recommendations provided on 18 cases regarding variance, conditional use, preliminary planned development district, subdivision, rezone, and non-conforming use applications. He commended Community Development staff for their diligence and professionalism in the presentation of reports to conduct the hearings.

Parks Recreation & Cultural Services Director

Council Members Eck and Madewell participated in the interviews conducted for final two candidates on Monday. Announcement of the successful candidate is planned for January 24.

Larson Recreation Center Ribbon Cutting

Staff will coordinate the formal ribbon cutting of the new facility on February 14.

AWC Action Days

City Manager Allison Williams asked Council to advise staff if they are able to attend the legislative action days on February 15 and 16 in Olympia. This is an annual opportunity to meet with legislatures to discuss funding priorities and network with other local agency officials.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Council Member Swartz reiterated discussions on the need to increase water rights and improve water conservation have continued during the Council Community Development, Municipal Services, and Parks Committee meetings.

Council Member Eck advised the Airport Commissioners and staff are working diligently to complete assigned tasks for operations at the airport.

Council Member Skaug is getting really good feedback from the community for services in the community development/building department. Council Member Eck echoed these comments.

Deputy Mayor Martinez shared that there were good conversations during Council Finance Committee earlier today.

Mayor Myers attended Grant Transit Authority Board meeting. Two of the new electric buses have been delivered and are in final inspection before being put in service and the other two buses are in route for delivery.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

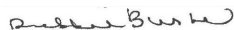
Mayor Myers called an Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. for 60 minutes to discuss Property Sale or Lease and Evaluation of a Public Employee, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) subsections (c) and (g) with no business to follow.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.



Don Myers, Mayor



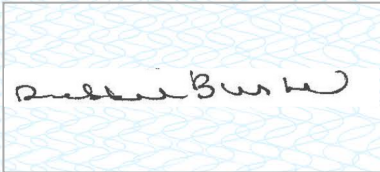
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Debbie Burke, City Clerk

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