

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

October 15, 2019

City Hall, 920 SE Cedar Falls Way, North Bend, Washington

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor Hearing called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Elwood, Garcia, Gothelf, Kostanich, Rosen and Volken. Councilmember Loudenback was excused.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – Council Meeting of October 1, 2019

Payroll – October 4, 2019 – 27998 through 28003, in the amount of **\$248,463.82**

Checks – October 15, 2019 – 68319 through 68391, in the amount of **\$1,235,887.84**

AB19-162 – Resolution 1910 Authorizing Cancellation of Outdated Checks

AB19-163 – Motion Authorizing Amendment to AirNote Contract for City Hall IT Services

AB19-164 – Motion Authorizing Amendment to FCS Group Contract RE Sewer Rate Study

AB19-165 – Ordinance 1702 Adopting 2018 & 2019 Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Kostanich to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion **PASSED** 5-1 (Garcia).

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Dave Olson, 440 Main Ave. S., provided a report on the upcoming Kiwanis Giving Tree program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

Presentation – Mestia, Republic of Georgia

Audio: 3:33

Mayor Hearing introduced visiting dignitaries from the Townlet of Mestia, Republic of Georgia, who are part of a professional and cultural exchange with the City of North Bend. Mestia Mayor Kapiton Zhorzholiani discussed the geographical, cultural and historical features of Mestia and the Svaneti region of Georgia and the benefits an exchange with the City would provide to their region's growing tourism industry and infrastructural challenges.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning Commission

A report of the September 26th meeting was provided.

Parks Commission

A report of the September 25th meeting was provided.

Economic Development Commission – Councilmember Kostanich, Chair

A report of the September 24th meeting was provided.

Community & Economic Development Committee – Councilmember Rosen, Chair

A report of the October 15th meeting was provided.

Finance & Administration Committee – Councilmember Elwood, Chair

A report of the October 1st meeting was provided.

Public Health & Safety Committee – Councilmember Gothelf, Chair

A report of the October 8th meeting was provided.

Transportation & Public Works Committee – Councilmember Garcia, Chair

A report of the September 24th meeting was provided.

Council Workstudy – Mayor Pro Tem Kostanich

A report of the September 24th and October 8th workstudies was provided.

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting – Councilmember Gothelf

A report of the October 10th meeting was provided.

INTRODUCTIONS:

AB19-166 – Motion Authorizing CDBG Grant Contract for Park Street Safety Improvements **Audio: 38:06**

Economic Development Manager & Planner Hyde provided the staff report.

Councilmember Rosen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to approve AB19-166, authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract with King County for CDBG funds for Park Street pedestrian connectivity and safety improvements. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

AB19-167 – Motion Authorizing Deed & Notice RE Tennant Trailhead Park **Audio: 42:12**

Economic Development Manager & Planner Hyde provided the staff report.

Councilmember Rosen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to approve AB19-167, authorizing the Mayor to sign a Deed of Right & Notice of Grant for reimbursement funds for the Tennant Trailhead Park acquisition. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

AB19-168 – Resolution 1911 Declaring Intent RE Sales Tax for Affordable Housing Audio: 45:33

Community Development Director Miller provided the staff report.

Councilmember Elwood **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rosen to approve AB19-168, a resolution declaring the City’s intent to adopt legislation to authorize a Sales and Use Tax for Affordable and Supportive Housing. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Gothelf mentioned the upcoming rain storm and reminded all to clear any catch basins or areas of accumulated leaves that may contribute to flooding.

Councilmember Garcia commented on what a pleasure it was to visit with the local dignitaries from Mestia and thanked them for taking the time to visit North Bend.

Councilmember Volken thanked City staff for their hard work in securing land to establish Tennant Trailhead Park and reminded all that the land was originally slated to become a one hundred home housing development.

Councilmember Rosen welcomed the visitors from Mestia, Republic of Georgia and reminded all to exercise caution when traveling in areas with high pedestrian traffic on Halloween night.

Councilmember Elwood echoed Councilmember Rosen’s comments regarding the visitors and elaborated on Councilmember Volken’s comments regarding City staff’s talent and ability when seeking out grant opportunities that benefit the City and its residents.

Councilmember Kostanich thanked Long Range Planner Reynolds for his efforts in organizing the professional and cultural exchange with Mestia, Republic of Georgia and cautioned all to exercise caution when traveling in the Park Street Roundabout construction zone. Additionally, he thanked staff and Council for their efforts in securing land for Tennant Trailhead Park and encouraged all to attend this weekend’s Sip, Suds & Si event in Downtown North Bend.

Interim City Administrator Rigos commented on the tour he provided to the Mestian visitors to area tourist sites, new and old subdivisions, and the City’s Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mayor Hearing spoke regarding the following items:

- Tanner Electric Power Outage – October 17th Midnight – 4:30 a.m.
- Sip, Suds & Si – October 19th 5 – 8 p.m. in Downtown North Bend
- Yard Waste Recycling – October 19th 8 a.m. to Noon at Public Works
- Drug Take Back Day – October 26th 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at City Hall

- Trick or Treat Street – October 31st 4 – 6 p.m. in Downtown North Bend
- Arbor Day Tree Planting – November 1st 2 p.m. at Meadowbrook Park

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Hearing recessed the regular meeting for an Executive Session at 8:06 p.m. to discuss property acquisition, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) and performance of a public employee, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). No action was anticipated as a result of the Executive Session, which was expected to last thirty minutes and audiotaping of the meeting ceased.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Elwood **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

Kenneth G. Hearing, Mayor

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk