

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 19, 2021

Virtual Meeting

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

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor McFarland called the regular meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Elwood, Garcia, Gothelf, Koellen, Loudenback, Miller and Rosen.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – City Council Meeting of January 5, 2021

Payroll – December 31, 2020 – 28249 through 28256, in the amount of **\$290,593.17**

Checks – December 31, 2020 – 70163 through 70251, in the amount of **\$752,585.97**

January 19, 2021 – 70252 through 70259, in the amount of **\$484,878.21**

AB21-004 – Motion Authorizing Amendment to AirNote Contract

AB21-005 – Motion Authorizing Amendment to SCORE Jail Services Contract

Councilmember Elwood **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Michael Thomas, 1231 LaForest Drive SE, commented that earlier in the day the King County Council did not approve the City's Water System Plan. He expressed his concern about the Plan and noted other citizens and the Snoqualmie and Tulalip Tribes have similar concerns regarding the Plan.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community & Economic Development Committee – Councilmember Miller, Chair
A report of the January 19th meeting was provided.

Finance & Administration Committee – Councilmember Gothelf, Chair
A report of the January 12th meeting was provided.

Public Health & Safety Committee – Councilmember Koellen, Chair
A report of the January 12th meeting was provided.

Sound Cities Association – Councilmember Koellen

A report of the January 19th meeting with the King County Director of Public Health was
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provided.

Council Workstudy – Mayor Pro Tem Garcia

No report.

Transportation & Public Works Committee – Councilmember Loudenback, Chair

No Report.

Planning Commission

A report of the December 10th meeting was provided.

Parks Commission

A report of November 18th meeting was provided.

Economic Development Commission

A report of the November 17th meeting was provided.

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting – Councilmember Gothelf

A report of the November 14th meeting was provided.

King County Emergency Management Advisory Committee – Councilmember Gothelf

A report of the January 13th meeting was provided.

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee – Councilmember Loudenback

A report of the January 13th meeting was provided.

Snoqualmie Valley Governments Association – Councilmember Elwood

A report of the November 18th meeting was provided.

INTRODUCTIONS:

AB21-006 – Motion Authorizing Contract with Port Madison for
GIS Services

Audio: 23:10

Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve AB21-006, authorizing a contract with Port Madison GIS, Inc. for temporary GIS support, in a form and content acceptable to the City Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

AB21-007 – Resolution 1967 Ratifying Proclamation of Emergency

Audio: 30:08

City Administrator Miller provided the staff report.

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Loudenback to approve AB21-007, a resolution ratifying and confirming January 13, 2021 Proclamation of Local Emergency. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

AB21-008 – Ordinance Amending NBMC RE Medium Density Residential Zone

Audio: 35:13

Senior Planner McCarty provided the staff report.

The following individual commented on the agenda item:

Michael Thomas, 1231 LaForest Drive SE

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Garcia to approve AB21-008, an ordinance amending the North Bend Municipal Code to establish a new Medium Density Residential Zone in the Cottage Residential Zone, utilizing the CED Committee Recommendation and providing associated amendment to the North Bend Municipal Code, as a first and final reading.

After discussion, Councilmember Loudenback withdrew the motion.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Gothelf commented on tomorrow’s presidential inauguration and encouraged all to continue wearing their masks to prevent the spread of COVID-19. He noted Eastside Fire & Rescue and the Snoqualmie Tribe were exploring a partnership opportunity to bring COVID-19 vaccinations to the community.

Councilmember Miller discussed the rise in COVID-19 cases in the country and extended her condolences to those that have lost a loved one to the pandemic.

Councilmember Koellen commented on vaccination efforts and encouraged all to get a vaccine as soon as they can.

Councilmember Loudenback commented on the robust discussion on agenda items and noted he looked forward to future discussion and successes. Additionally, he encouraged all to be safe and have a wonderful month.

Councilmember Rosen expressed a desire for public outreach regarding growth to help guide future Council discussions.

Councilmember Elwood echoed Councilmember Rosen’s comments and thanked Community Development Director Deming for her professionalism during discussions on AB21-008 – Ordinance Amending NBMC RE Medium Density Residential Zone.

Councilmember Garcia reminded all to stay safe and be diligent about adhering to public health guidelines related to the pandemic.

City Administrator Miller noted he was working with Eastside Fire & Rescue & the Snoqualmie Tribe regarding a possible COVID-19 vaccination site in the Snoqualmie Valley. Additionally, he thanked Community Development Director Deming and City Planners for their hard work on AB21-008 – Ordinance Amending NBMC RE Medium Density Residential Zone.

Mayor McFarland spoke regarding the following items:

- Public Outreach Concepts Regarding Growth
- WA State Dept. of Health COVID-19 Vaccination Phases
- North Bend Way Nighttime Road Closure for PSE Utility Work
- Si View MPD Torguson Skatepark Project
- Northwest Railway Museum Winter Train Rides

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Elwood. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

Rob McFarland, Mayor

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk