

## **NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**May 18, 2021**

**Virtual Meeting**

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

### **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia 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 May 4, 2021

**Payroll – May 5, 2021 – 28316 through 28323**, in the amount of **\$288,974.19**

**Checks – May 18, 2021 – 70746 through 70790**, in the amount of **\$848,172.85**

**AB21-051** – Resolution 1974 Authorizing Property Purchase RE Middle Fork Roundabout

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

### **CITIZEN’S COMMENTS:**

**Steve Repanich**, 394 Merritt Place NE, commented on the recent Snoqualmie Valley Record article about renaming EJ Roberts Park. He noted he supported the renaming effort and mentioned a name honoring veterans would be nice.

**Anna Sullivan**, 43105 SE 149<sup>th</sup> Street, echoed Mr. Repanich’s comments regarding renaming EJ Roberts Park.

**Jean Buckner**, 46226 SE 139<sup>th</sup> Place, mentioned the 30.4 million dollar bond related to the WWTP that was passed at the May 4, 2021 City Council meeting and expressed concern about it passing as a first reading and the obligation to residents to the growth required to pay the debt. She requested the City share the total cost of the bond and impact to mitigation and mentioned possible funding available for the project through the Biden administration.

### **COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **Planning Commission**

A report of the May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Parks Commission**

No report

**Economic Development Commission**

A report of the April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Community & Economic Development Committee** – Councilmember Miller, Chair

No report. The May 18, 2021 meeting was cancelled.

**Finance & Administration Committee** – Councilmember Gothelf, Chair

No report. The May 4, 2021 meeting was cancelled.

**Public Health & Safety Committee** – Councilmember Koellen, Chair

A report of the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Transportation & Public Works Committee** – Councilmember Loudenback, Chair

A report of the April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Council Workstudy** – Mayor Pro Tem Garcia

No report. The April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting was cancelled.

**Sound Cities Association** – Councilmember Koellen

A report of the May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting with the King County Director of Public Health was provided.

**Snoqualmie Watershed Forum** – Councilmember Garcia

No report. The next meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2021.

**Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting** – Councilmember Gothelf

A report of the May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**FINAL READING:**

**AB21-052** – Ordinance 1747 Amending Taxes, Rates & Fees Schedule  
RE Water Rates

**Audio: 21:18**

Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

The following individuals spoke on the agenda item:

**Jean Buckner**, 46226 SE 139<sup>th</sup> Place

**Joel Molander**, President of Puget Western

**Steve Repanich**, 394 Merritt Place NE

**Wende Miller**, 6814 Denny Peak Drive SE, Snoqualmie

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to approve AB21-052, an ordinance setting new Water Rates and General Facilities Charges and amending the Taxes, Rates & Fee Schedule, as a final reading. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

**AB21-053 – Public Hearing**, Resolution Adopting Six Year TIP 2022-2027      **Audio: 31:33**

Deputy Public Works Director Mohr provided the staff report.

**Mayor Pro Tem Garcia opened the Public Hearing on a Resolution Adopting the Six Year TIP 2022-2027 at 7:37 p.m.**

**There was no public comment and Mayor Pro Tem Garcia announced the Public Hearing would remain open until the June 15, 2021 City Council meeting.**

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve AB21-053, a resolution adopting the 6-Year Transportation Improvement Plan 2022 – 2027, as a first reading, and continuing the public hearing until the June 15, 2021 City Council Meeting. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

**AB21-054 – Resolution 1975 Authorizing Agreement with WA State DES for WWTP HPI Phase 2 Project**      **Audio: 39:57**

Public Works Director Rigos and City Engineer DeBerg provided the staff report. Angela Etsey from Trane Technologies, Inc. provided a presentation on the design/build process.

The following individuals spoke on the agenda item:

**Wende Miller**, 6814 Denny Peak Drive SE, Snoqualmie

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve AB21-054, a resolution authorizing an agreement with Department of Enterprise Services (DES) for final design and construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant High Priority Improvements Phase II Project, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

**MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:**

City Administrator Miller provided an update on the Army National Guard and Wyndham Hotel projects.

Councilmember Koellen requested the renaming of EJ Roberts Park mentioned during Citizen’s Comments be added to a future Council Committee agenda.

Councilmember Loudenback thanked Mayor Pro Tem Garcia for his efforts during the absence of Mayor McFarland.

Councilmember Gothelf requested everyone obey speed limit signs and pay attention to pedestrians and children at play when driving in area neighborhoods. Additionally, he encouraged those that live in a Wildland Urban Interface area to attend one of the upcoming Firewise presentations.

Councilmember Rosen mentioned the new CDC requirements regarding masks and the effect it may have on increasing the rate of COVID-19 vaccinations.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia spoke regarding the following items:

- COVID-19 Mask Usage & Vaccinations
- Staff Efforts on Recent Agenda Items
- Wildfire Risk Reduction Tips
- King County Levee Study
- April 24<sup>th</sup> Spring Recycling Event Recap

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Chris Garcia, Mayor Pro Tem

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Susie Oppedal, City Clerk