

## NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

June 15, 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 7:00 p.m.

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

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

**Minutes** – City Council Workstudy of May 25, 2021 & City Council Meeting of June 1, 2021

**Payroll – June 4, 2021 – 28331 through 28338**, in the amount of **\$283,147.20**

**Checks – June 15, 2021 – 70865 through 70908**, in the amount of **\$1,900,563.61**

**AB21-065** – Ordinance 1750 Adopting NBMC 9.250 Hunting Prohibited

**AB21-066** – Resolution 1980 Adopting Capital Improvement Plan 2021-2026

**AB21-067** – Motion Authorizing Contract with JayRay for Tourism

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

#### CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

**Amy Biggs**, spoke on behalf of Snoqualmie Valley Local Advocacy Team, an organization comprised of several human/community services organizations. She thanked Council for their commitment to the citizens of North Bend and mentioned the work local organizations were engaged in on behalf of early childhood education, behavioral and mental health, senior services, and homelessness. She requested Council consider allocating a large portion of the future COVID-19 relief funding the City will receive to local human service organizations and to increase grant funding in future years as well.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

**AB21-068** – Appointment to King County Landmarks Commission

**Audio: 5:09**

Mayor McFarland recommended the appointment of Kevin Burrows as Special Member to the King County Landmarks Commission.

Councilmember Garcia **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to approve AB21-068, confirming the appointment of Kevin Burrows as the City of North Bend Special Member to the King County Landmarks Commission, to fill the current term expiring

December 31, 2021, and a new three year term expiring December 31, 2024. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

**COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Community & Economic Development Committee** – Councilmember Miller, Chair  
A report of the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Finance & Administration Committee** – Councilmember Gothelf, Chair  
A report of the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Public Health & Safety Committee** – Councilmember Koellen, Chair  
No report. The June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting was cancelled.

**Transportation & Public Works Committee** – Councilmember Loudenback, Chair  
A report of the May 25<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Council Workstudy** – Mayor Pro Tem Garcia  
A report of the May 25<sup>th</sup> Council Workstudy was provided.

**Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting** – Councilmember Gothelf  
A report of the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Sound Cities Association** – Councilmember Koellen  
A report of the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting with Public Health – Seattle & King County was provided.

**Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee** – Councilmember Loudenback  
A report of the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Planning Commission**  
A report of the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Parks Commission**  
A report of the May 26<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Economic Development Commission**  
A report of the May 25<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**MAIN AGENDA:**

**AB21-069 – Public Hearing Cont.,** Resolution 1981 Adopting Six Year **Audio: 22:43**  
Transportation Improvement Plan

Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

**Mayor McFarland noted the Public Hearing on a Resolution Adopting the Six Year TIP 2022-2027 was opened at the May 18, 2021 City Council meeting and continued to tonight's meeting.**

**There was no public comment and Mayor McFarland closed the Public Hearing at 7:25 p.m.**

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve AB21-069, a resolution adopting the 6-Year Transportation Improvement Plan 2022 – 2027, as a final reading. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

**AB21-070 – Public Hearing, Ordinance 1751 Amending Taxes, Rates & Fees Audio: 27:15**  
Schedule RE Sewer General Facilities Charges

Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

**Mayor McFarland opened the Public Hearing on an Ordinance Amending the Taxes, Rates & Fees Schedule RE Sewer General Facilities Charges at 7:31 p.m.**

**There was no public comment and Mayor McFarland closed the Public Hearing at 7:31 p.m.**

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB21-070, an ordinance updating Sewer General Facility Charges and amending the Taxes, Rates and Fees Schedule, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

**AB21-071 – Resolution 1982 Authorizing Transportation Benefit District Audio: 38:32**  
Sales Tax Renewal Ballot Measure

Deputy City Administrator/Finance Director Masko provided the staff report.

The following individuals spoke on the agenda item:

**Mark Joselyn, 425 SE 5<sup>th</sup> Street**

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rosen to approve AB21-071, a resolution authorizing submission of Proposition 1, to renew and continue to impose a sales and use tax for transportation improvement projects. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

**AB21-072 – Ordinance 1752 Accepting ARPA Funds & Adopting NBMC Audio: 53:58**  
3.04.100 ARPA Fiscal Recovery Fund

Deputy City Administrator/Finance Director Masko provided the staff report.

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Loudenback to approve AB21-072, an ordinance accepting American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, authorizing the Mayor to execute all documents associated with these funds, and creating a special revenue fund “ARPA Fiscal Recovery Fund”, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

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

Councilmember Gothelf congratulated the graduating seniors at Mt Si High School and thanked Amy Bergman and other parents for their efforts organizing various activities for the seniors such as the “Adopt a Senior” program to make their graduation experience as special as possible during the pandemic.

Councilmember Miller acknowledged the hardships that teachers, parents, and students have gone through the past year due to the pandemic and wished the Class of 2021 the best and brightest future.

Councilmember Loudenback congratulated the Mt Si High School Graduating Class of 2021 and wished them the best in their future endeavors. Additionally, he wished everyone a safe and happy Fourth of July holiday.

Councilmember Koellen thanked the residents of King County and North Bend for wearing masks and being respectful of each other during the COVID-19 pandemic and echoed fellow Councilmember’s comments regarding graduation.

Councilmember Rosen echoed fellow Councilmember’s comments regarding graduation and expressed hope that next year would be a better experience for graduates.

Councilmember Elwood congratulated all graduating seniors, including his children, and thanked fellow parents and the Mt Si High School Graduation Committee for all they did to make the graduation experience special for the students. Additionally, he wished everyone a safe and happy Fourth of July holiday.

Councilmember Garcia echoed fellow Councilmember’s comments regarding graduating seniors and asked all to be cautious of children at play now that school was out for the summer. He requested all that were visiting the Snoqualmie River to exercise river safety and wished everyone a happy Fourth of July. Additionally, he noted the City was working on a reopening plan for City offices and reminded everyone to offer grace to those that were still struggling with the side effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayor McFarland spoke regarding the following items:

- Mayor Pro Tem Garcia’s efforts during the Mt Si High School Senior Scavenger Hunt
- Appointment of Kevin Burrows to King County Landmarks Commission

- Seasonal Burn Ban – June 15<sup>th</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup>
- June 23<sup>rd</sup> Wildfire Preparedness Virtual Town Hall - 6 p.m. start time
- Shoulder Paving on E North Bend Way
- July 1<sup>st</sup> @ 9:30 p.m. North Bend Downtown Foundation’s Drive-In Movie Event @ Meadowbrook Farm
- Pro & Con Committee Applicants for Proposition 1 – TBD Renewal

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Rob McFarland, Mayor

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Susie Oppedal, City Clerk