

## NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

August 17, 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, Loudenback, Miller and Rosen. Councilmember Gothelf was absent. Councilmember Koellen arrived at 7:01 p.m.

Mayor McFarland announced the Executive Session that was scheduled as the last item on tonight's agenda had been cancelled.

Councilmember Garcia **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Loudenback to move AB21-086 – Ordinance Amending NBMC 8.26 RE Noise Abatement from the Main Agenda to the Consent Agenda. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

**Minutes** – City Council Meeting of August 3, 2021

**Payroll – August 5, 2021 – 28361** through **28368**, in the amount of **\$284,114.99**

**Checks – August 17, 2021 – 71099** through **71169**, in the amount of **\$355,964.12**

**AB21-083** – Motion Authorizing Contracts with Layton Tree Consulting, LLC

**AB21-084** – Motion Authorizing Contracts with Morup Signs, Inc.

**AB21-085** – Motion Authorizing Contracts with Urban Forestry Services

**AB21-087** – Ordinance 1755 Amending NBMC 8.26 RE Noise Abatement

Councilmember Garcia **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

### CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

**Michael Thomas**, 1231 LaForest Drive SE, commented on the City's Water Conservation Ordinance, when plants should be watered, and the impact new development has on water resources.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

**AB21-086** – Youth Appointment to Parks Commission

**Audio: 6:05**

Mayor McFarland recommended the reappointment of Luke Duvall to Youth Position No. 5 on the Parks Commission.

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to approve AB21-086, confirming the reappointment of Luke Duvall to Parks Commission Youth Member Position No. 5, term expiring August 31, 2022. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Community & Economic Development Committee** – Councilmember Miller, Chair  
A report of the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Finance & Administration Committee** – Councilmember Gothelf, Chair  
No report. The August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting was cancelled.

**Public Health & Safety Committee** – Councilmember Koellen, Chair  
A report of the August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Transportation & Public Works Committee** – Councilmember Loudenback, Chair  
A report of the July 27<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Council Workstudy** – Mayor Pro Tem Garcia  
No report. The July 27<sup>th</sup> Workstudy was cancelled.

**Planning Commission**  
A report of the July 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting was provided.

**Parks Commission**  
A report of the June 30<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Economic Development Commission**  
A report of the July 27<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

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

Councilmember Elwood mentioned the uptick in COVID-19 infections due to the delta variant and the effect it was having on those that were not vaccinated. He encouraged all to be mindful of the virus surge and to consider wearing a mask in public spaces.

Councilmember Loudenback echoed Councilmember Elwood’s concerns. Additionally, he welcomed students back to a new school year and encouraged them to be safe as they return to in person learning.

Councilmember Miller echoed fellow Councilmember’s concerns regarding the increase in COVID-19 cases and reminded all to be safe and kind to each other.

Councilmember Koellen requested residents not set any outdoor fires due to the high fire danger in the area.

City Administrator Miller requested Council get back to him or Mayor McFarland regarding their preference for either in-person or virtual committee meetings.

Mayor McFarland spoke regarding the following items:

- Pedestrian Safety in School Zones
- Stage 2 Burn Ban in King County
- Water Conservation Ordinance Stage 1
- Torguson Skatepark Grand Opening – August 21<sup>st</sup> 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- North Bend Way/436<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE Roundabout Construction
- COVID-19 Testing & Vaccination at Snoqualmie Valley Hospital

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Garcia **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Loudenback. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Rob McFarland, Mayor

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Susie Oppedal, City Clerk