

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 20, 2022

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

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor Pro Tem Rosen called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood, remand to Workstudy Item #15 – AB22-111 – Ordinance Amending Ordinance 1740 Regarding Addendum 1 to the Water System Plan. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – City Council Meeting of August 16, 2022

Payroll – **August 19, 2022** – **28530** through **28535**, in the amount of **\$255,193.47**

September 2, 2022 – **28536** through **28541**, in the amount of **\$340,205.20**

Checks – **September 6, 2022** – **72818** through **72945**, in the amount of **\$1,349,109.04**

AB22-102 – Motion Authorizing ILA with KCFCD RE Silver Creek Culvert Project

AB22-103 – Resolution 2036 Awarding SW 10th Street Culvert Project to Fury Site Works

AB22-104 – Resolution 2037 Awarding Ribary Creek Sediment Pond Project to Fury Site Works

AB22-105 – Motion Authorizing CO #1 with Fury Site Works for 2nd Street Project

AB22-106 – Motion Authorizing CO #1 with RW Scott for NB Way Sidewalk Project

AB22-107 – Resolution 2038 Authorizing DEA with Vector Development RE Alpental Logistics Project

AB22-108 – Motion Approving 2023-2024 Budget Calendar

AB22-109 – Motion Authorizing Contract Amendment with ETC

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

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Michael Thomas, 1231 LaForest Drive SE, thanked Council for removing Item #15 – AB22-111 – Ordinance Amending Ordinance 1740 Regarding Addendum 1 to the Water System Plan from the agenda and expressed concern about the height of the proposed water tower, the proposed purchase of Sallal Water Association and water management/rights related issues.

Kevin Brewster, 428 Orchard Ave. NE, noted he was not in favor of a large water tower that would impinge upon area views. He also commented he was not in favor of spending taxpayer dollars on purchasing Sallal Water Association and prior to moving forward with this item that it be brought before voters for consideration.

Dutch Siedentopf, 46226 SE 139th Place, recommended the City conduct a pollution and environmental study in the Truck Town area prior to installation of the proposed National Guard Facility. He discussed data related to truck volumes and diesel exhaust and expressed concern the City was considering a project that could increase diesel exhaust in the area.

Jean Buckner, 46226 SE 139th Place, Friends of the Snoqualmie Valley Trail and River, requested the City fix the issues participants have with the Zoom meeting platform and asked Council to review questions and comments she submitted relating to the status and liability of the City's Water System Plan. Additionally, she mentioned Growth Management Targets, Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades and environmental assessments.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

Introduction – Administrative Services Director Lisa Escobar **Audio: 17:20**

Mayor Pro Tem Rosen introduced incoming Administrative Services Director Lisa Escobar whose first day with the City was September 6, 2022.

AB22-110 – Appointment to Parks Commission – Youth Position **Audio: 21:13**

Mayor Pro Tem Rosen reported that Mayor McFarland recommended the appointment of Paige Robbins to Youth Position No. 5 on the Parks Commission.

Councilmember Miller **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB22-110, confirming the appointment of Paige Robbins to Youth Member Position No. 5 on the Parks Commission, term expiring August 31, 2023. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

Presentation – Salary Commission Report **Audio: 28:18**

City Attorney Marshall and City Administrator Miller provided the staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Rosen introduced Salary Commissioners Barrett, Tremolada and Wilson. Salary Commissioner Barrett provided a presentation on the Salary Commission's August 23, 2022 Report which contained the following:

The Commission unanimously approved the following changes to the Mayor and City Council Compensation, effective January 1, 2023.

Of Note: **Base salary** includes regularly scheduled council meetings, special council meetings, public hearings, and council workshops.

Mayor's base salary shall be increased to \$4000 per month from \$3000 per month.

In addition to the base salary, the Mayor will be paid:

Regional Meetings: \$100 each

Non-Regional Meetings: \$75 each

Meeting expense reimbursement to be capped at a maximum of 10 meetings per month.

Councilmembers Base Salary shall be increased to \$550 per month from \$500 per month.

In addition to the base salary, Councilmembers will be paid:

Regional Meetings: \$100 each

Non-Regional Meetings: \$75 each

Meeting expense reimbursement to be capped at a maximum of 6 meetings per month.

We have submitted a comprehensive list of sanctioned Regional Meetings that will be available to all in the minutes from this Council Meeting.

Regional Meetings include (but not limited to):

- Sound Cities Association (SCA)*
- Association of Washington Cities (AWC)*
- Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC)
- Snoqualmie Valley Governments Association (SVGA)
- Eastside Fire & Rescue (EFR)
- King County Affordable Housing Task Force
- King County Flood Control Advisory Committee
- SCA Public Issues Committee
- SCA Joint Recommendations Committee
- Land Conservation Advisory Group
- Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Forum (WRIA)
- Eastside Transportation Partnership (ETP)
- Meadowbrook Farm Preservation Association
- National League of Cities (NLC)
- Meetings in Olympia (that address City of North Bend issues with legislature, governor, state departments or boards)
- Meetings not enumerated in this list where the Mayor or Councilmember is appointed or elected to attend by the Mayor, City Council, King County Executive, SVGA or SCA, King County Council, the Governor, or State Legislature, if the reason for the appointment was because of the individual's status as an elected official and the meeting purpose will advance the City of North Bend's interests either regionally or locally.

- Meetings with King County (personnel or elected officials)

Non-regional meetings include committee meetings and other city related task force or associations that the Councilmember has been appointed to or requested to attend.

EXCLUDED are attendance at political functions, fundraising &/or social events, regularly scheduled community events, ribbon cuttings, and State of the City presentations to other organizations.

For **reimbursement** purposes:

- Meetings lasting **less than 4 hours** will be counted as one meeting
- Meetings lasting **over 4 hours** will be counted as two meetings.
- Travel to and from is not included in meeting time.
- The Mayor and the Council will continue to be reimbursed for mileage to and from meetings as per North Bend Municipal Code 3.36.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning Commission

A report of the September 8th meeting was provided.

Parks Commission

No report. The August 24th meeting was cancelled.

Economic Development Commission

A report of the August 30th meeting was provided.

Community & Economic Development Committee – Councilmember Miller, Chair

A report of the September 20th meeting was provided.

Finance & Administration Committee – Councilmember Elwood, Chair

A report of September 6th meeting was provided.

Public Health & Safety Committee – Councilmember Koellen, Chair

A report of September 13th meeting was provided.

Transportation & Public Works Committee – Councilmember Loudenback, Chair

A report of the August 23rd meeting was provided.

Council Workstudy – Mayor Pro Tem Rosen

No report. The August 23rd Workstudy was cancelled.

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting – Councilmember Gothelf

A report of the September 8th meeting was provided.

Sound Cities Association Public Issues Committee – Councilmember Loudenback
A report of the September 14th meeting was provided.

Sound Cities Association Board of Health – Councilmember Koellen
A report of the September 15th meeting was provided.

INTRODUCTIONS:

AB22-112 – Ordinance 1782 Reallocation of Future Water Connections **Audio: 45:20**

Deputy City Administrator/Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

The following individual commented on the agenda item:

Michael Thomas, 1231 LaForest Drive SE

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB22-112, an ordinance regarding the reallocation of future water connections, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

AB22-113 – Motion Authorizing Contract with Site Workshop RE WH
Taylor & Riverfront Park **Audio: 53:06**

Senior Planner McCarty provided the staff report.

Councilmember Miller **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB22-113, authorizing a contract with Site Workshop for the William H. Taylor Park and Riverfront Park Design Project, in a form and content approved by the City Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

AB22-114 – Motion Authorizing Contract with G&O RE Meadowbrook
Sewer Utility Local Improvement District **Audio: 1:01:34**

Deputy City Administrator/Public Works Director Rigos provided the staff report.

Councilmember Loudenback **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve AB22-114, authorizing an engineering services contract with Gray and Osborne for the Meadowbrook Sewer ULID, in a form and content approved by the City Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$1,053,700. The motion **PASSED** 7-0.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Gothelf mentioned the shortened daylight hours and reminded all traveling on City streets to pay attention to pedestrians using crosswalks.

Councilmember Koellen reported omicron specific COVID-19 booster shots were now available at Snoqualmie Valley Hospital for those interested and mentioned the new school year had started for students.

Councilmember Elwood welcomed Administrative Services Director Escobar to the City and thanked Ms. Robbins for volunteering her time to serve as Youth Position No. 5 on the Parks Commission.

Councilmember Joselyn commented on the new sidewalk near Rio Bravo restaurant and sidewalk improvements near North Bend Theater and thanked Public Works for all of their hard work on the projects.

Councilmember Miller requested input from residents and businesses on the recent Sip, Suds and Si event and noted the Blues Walk was scheduled for Saturday, September 24th from 6 p.m. to Midnight in Downtown North Bend.

Councilmember Loudenback echoed fellow Councilmember's comments regarding events that support local businesses and traveling safely in areas frequented by pedestrians.

City Administrator Miller thanked Mayor Pro Tem Rosen for chairing tonight's meeting and thanked Council for all of their hard work.

Mayor Pro Tem Rosen spoke regarding the following items:

- October 1st Deadline for City's Parks Survey
- Blues Walk Event – September 24th 6 p.m. – Midnight in Downtown North Bend
- Business & Solicitors Licenses Required within City Limits

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

ATTEST:

Jonathan Rosen, Mayor Pro Tem

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk