

NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

July 16, 2024

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

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL:

Mayor Miller called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers Present: Elwood (remote), Gothelf, Joselyn (remote), Rustik, Torguson and Tremolada. Councilmember Koellen was excused.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes – Council Workstudy of March 26, 2024 & June 25, 2024 & City Council Meeting of June 18, 2024

Payroll – June 20, 2024 – 28828 through 28833, in the amount of **\$317,089.30**

July 5, 2024 – 28834 through 28839, in the amount of **\$377,979.25**

Checks – July 2, 2024 – 75772 through 75844, in the amount of **\$1,240,906.35**

July 16, 2024 – 75845 through 75893, in the amount of **\$599,692.67**

AB24-062 – Resolution 2109 Authorizing DEA with SB X, LLC RE Bio-Therapeutics

AB24-063 – Resolution 2110 Authorizing DEA with Ichijo USA RE NB40

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Tremolada to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

CITIZEN’S COMMENTS:

Michael Thomas, 1231 LaForest Drive SE, thanked all that signed Initiative 2066 related to protection of natural gas service, mentioned water service to the proposed National Guard Facility, and encouraged citizens that have on-site septic systems to attend upcoming meetings being held by King County Department of Health regarding proposed code changes.

Floret Khosa, Consultant for King County, reported King County Department of Health was holding community meetings to gather input from those that may be affected by on-site septic system code changes. She noted upcoming meetings were being held July 20th in Sammamish, July 27th in Kent and virtually on August 8th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:

Introduction – North Bend Police Officers

Audio: 08:41

Snoqualmie/North Bend Police Captain Gary Horejsi introduced new Police Officer Natkha and congratulated Police Officer Vladis on his promotion to Sergeant.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community & Economic Development Committee – Councilmember Joselyn, Chair

A report of the July 16th meeting was provided.

Finance & Administration Committee – Councilmember Elwood, Chair

A report of the July 9th meeting was provided.

Public Health & Safety Committee – Councilmember Rustik, Chair

No report. The July 2nd meeting was cancelled.

Transportation & Public Works Committee – Councilmember Koellen, Chair

A report of the June 25th meeting was provided.

Council Workstudy – Mayor Pro Tem Gothelf

A report of the June 25th Workstudy was provided.

Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting – Councilmember Gothelf

A report of the July 11th meeting was provided.

Planning Commission

No report.

Parks Commission

No report.

Economic Development Commission

A report of the June 27th meeting was provided.

MAIN AGENDA:

AB24-064 – Public Hearing, Ordinance 1810 Vacating Portion of State Hwy No. 2 Right-of-Way Audio: 27:14

Community & Economic Development Director Deming provided the staff report.

Mayor Miller opened the Public Hearing on an Ordinance Vacating a Portion of State Highway No. 2 Right-of-Way at 7:28 p.m.

There was no public comment and Mayor Miller closed the Public Hearing at 7:29 p.m.

Councilmember Rustik **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Tremolada to approve AB24-064, an ordinance vacating a portion of City Right-of-Way of State Highway No. 2, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**AB24-065 – Resolution 2111 Authorizing Adoption of Franchise Utilities
Element Update for 2024 Comprehensive Plan** **Audio: 31:46**

Community & Economic Development Director Deming provided the staff report.

The following individuals commented on the agenda item:

Michael Thomas, 1231 LaForest Drive SE

Matt Larson, Puget Sound Energy Local Government Affairs and Public Policy Manager

Councilmember Rustik **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Torguson to approve AB24-065, a resolution authorizing adoption of the update for the Franchise Utilities Element for the 2024 North Bend Comprehensive Plan. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**AB24-066 – Resolution 2112 Authorizing Adoption of Energy &
Sustainability Elements Update for 2024 Comprehensive Plan** **Audio: 43:57**

Community & Economic Development Director Deming provided the staff report.

Councilmember Rustik **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Tremolada to approve AB24-066, a resolution authorizing adoption of the Energy and Sustainability Element for the 2024 North Bend Comprehensive Plan. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**AB24-067 – Ordinance 1811 Amending NBMC 10.12.010(B) Regarding
SR-202 Speed Limit** **Audio: 51:36**

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 Torguson **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Tremolada to approve AB24-067, an ordinance amending NBMC 10.12.010(B) to reduce the speed limit from 50 MPH to 40 MPH for the segment of SR-202 between Milepost 28.28 and Milepost 29.60, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**AB24-068 – Resolution 2113 Setting Public Hearing Date for Alm Way
Right-of-Way Vacation** **Audio: 1:12:31**

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

Councilmember Torguson **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB24-068, a resolution initiating vacation proceedings for a portion of City right-of-way of Alm

Way and setting a Public Hearing on August 20, 2024 for the potential vacation. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND ADMINISTRATOR CONCERNS AND INITIATIVES:

Councilmember Torguson encouraged residents to donate to the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank and Mt. Si Senior Center. She noted registration for the preschool at Calvary Mt Si was now open for the 2024-2025 school year.

Councilmember Tremolada noted registration was also open for the new Village Project indoor playground and childcare center. Additionally, he commented on the proposed Snoqualmie Valley Regional Pool and encouraged all to exercise caution when recreating near the river.

Councilmember Gothelf reminded all to exercise caution when traveling in areas with children at play and noted there was a wildfire warning tonight due to potential lightning in the Western Cascades.

Mayor Miller spoke regarding the following items:

- July 20th Downtown Block Party & July 21st Car Show
- Chat with Chiefs – July 31st 11 a.m. to Noon @ Trail Youth Coffee Home
- National Night Out – August 6th 4 to 8 p.m. @ Si View Park
- Festival at Mt. Si – August 10th & 11th @ Si View Park
- August 6th Council Meeting Cancellation

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED** to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Torguson. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mary Miller, Mayor

Susie Oppedal, City Clerk