

## NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

November 5, 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, Gothelf, Joselyn, Rustik, Torguson and Tremolada. Councilmember Koellen was excused.

Mayor Miller announced Mayor, Council, and Administrator Concerns and Initiatives would take place after tonight's Executive Session.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Minutes** – City Council Meeting of September 17, 2024, City Council Workstudy of September 24, 2024, City Council Meetings of October 1, 2024 and October 15, 2024

**Payroll** – **October 18, 2024 – 28876** through **28881**, in the amount of **\$320,025.05**

**Checks** – **November 5, 2024 – 76295** through **76366**, in the amount of **\$1,540,559.66**

**AB24-111** – Motion Authorizing Purchase of John Deere Tractor & Boom

**AB24-112** – Motion Authorizing Contract with Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust for Landscaping & Restoration Services

**AB24-113** – Motion Authorizing Contract with Otak for On-Call Environmental Services

**AB24-114** – Motion Authorizing Contract Amendment with LDC, Inc. for On-Call Comprehensive Plan Assistance

**AB24-115** – Motion Authorizing Contract with Site Workshop RE Taylor Park Gateway

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

### **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:**

**Debra Landers**, 14615 438<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE, noted North Bend Art & Industry would hold community focus groups next week for input on the organization's makerspace.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, APPOINTMENTS:**

**Introduction** – North Bend Police Officers

**Audio: 4:40**

Snoqualmie/North Bend Police Captain Gary Horejsi introduced new Police Officer Jack Yang.

**Proclamation – Kindness Month****Audio: 7:48**

Mayor Miller read a proclamation declaring the month of November 2024 as Kindness Month in the City of North Bend. Grant Manager Michelle John from Empower Youth Network was on hand to accept the proclamation.

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

**AB24-116** – Ordinance 1818 Amending NBMC 18.10.030 & 18.10.050 RE      **Audio: 12:06**  
Emergency Shelters

Senior Planner Burrell provided the staff report.

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB24-116, an ordinance amending North Bend Municipal Code Sections 18.10.030 and 18.10.050 relating to hotels, emergency shelters, emergency housing, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

Councilmember Torguson stated she would abstain from AB24-117 – Resolution Authorizing Adoption of Land Use Element for 2024 Comprehensive Plan and provided an acceptable reason.

**AB24-117** – Resolution Authorizing Adoption of Land Use Element      **Audio: 15:46**  
Update for 2024 Comprehensive Plan

Principal Planner McCarty provided the staff report.

The following individual commented on the agenda item:

**Cherie Cooper**, 301 N. Tacoma Ave., Tacoma

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Tremolada to approve AB24-117, a resolution authorizing adoption of the Land Use Element for the 2024 North Bend Comprehensive Plan. The motion **FAILED** 2-3. (Elwood, Gothelf & Rustik)

Councilmember Elwood **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rustik to reconsider the vote as to AB24-117 – Resolution Authorizing Adoption of Land Use Element for 2024 Comprehensive Plan. The motion **PASSED** 4-1 (Tremolada)

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to postpone AB24-117 – Resolution Authorizing Adoption of Land Use Element for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan to the next regular City Council meeting on November 19, 2024. The motion **PASSED** 4-1 (Tremolada)

**AB24-118 – Resolution Authorizing Adoption of Housing Element  
Update for 2024 Comprehensive Plan**

**Audio: 1:16:46**

Senior Planner Burrell provided the staff report.

Mayor Miller called a ten minute recess at 8:27 p.m.

Mayor Miller called the meeting back to order at 8:33 p.m.

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to postpone AB24-118, a resolution authorizing adoption of the Housing Element for the 2024 North Bend Comprehensive Plan to the next regular City Council meeting on November 19, 2024. The motion **PASSED** 4-2 (Torguson, Tremolada)

**AB24-119 – Ordinance 1819 Declaring Emergency and Adopting  
Moratorium on New Towing & Impound Uses in EP1 Zone**

**Audio: 1:43:47**

Principal Planner McCarty provided the staff report.

Councilmember Joselyn **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Rustik to approve AB24-119, an ordinance declaring an emergency and adopting a moratorium on new towing and impound uses within the Employment Park 1 Zone, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor Miller recessed the regular meeting for an Executive Session at 8:57 p.m. to discuss performance of a public employee, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The Executive Session was expected to last 15 minutes, to be followed at its conclusion by possible action.

The regular meeting was reconvened at 9:13 p.m.

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Elwood to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Separation Agreement with David Miller providing for a full release of all claims and a separation payment in the amount of \$41,429.73, in a form and content acceptable to the City Attorney.

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

Councilmember Tremolada expressed hope that everyone exercised their right to vote today and reminded all that diversity of opinion was the best thing about the country.

Councilmember Elwood echoed Councilmember Tremolada's comments and thanked staff for all of their long hours and dedication on the items that come before Council for consideration.

Councilmember Gothelf echoed Councilmember Tremolada's comments. Additionally, he thanked staff for their hard work on the Comprehensive Plan elements and looked forward to working together with Council to reach a resolution.

Councilmember Rustik echoed Councilmember Gothelf's comments and encouraged residents to be prepared for possible power outages by having working flashlights and, if possible, invest in a backup generator.

Councilmember Joselyn echoed fellow Councilmember's comments.

Mayor Miller spoke regarding the following items:

- Meet Up with Mayor – November 6<sup>th</sup> 9 – 10 a.m. @ Huxdotter Coffee
- Chat with the Chiefs – November 13<sup>th</sup> 9 – 10 a.m. @ Hartwood Café
- Storm Drain & Culvert Clearing
- November 11<sup>th</sup> City Offices Closure
- Cancellation of November 26<sup>th</sup> Council Workstudy

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Mary Miller, Mayor

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Susie Oppedal, City Clerk