

## NORTH BEND CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**July 15, 2025**

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, Koellen, Torguson and Tremolada. Councilmember Rustik was excused.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Minutes** – City Council Meeting of June 17, 2025 & City Council Workstudy of June 24, 2025

**Payroll – June 20, 2025 – 77427** through **77429**, in the amount of **\$315,195.61**

**July 3, 2025 – 77513** through **77519**, in the amount of **\$446,901.55**

**Checks – July 1, 2025 – 77426, 77430** through **77512**, in the amount of **\$1,113,484.64**

**July 15, 2025 – 77520** through **77567**, in the amount of **\$247,940.30**

**AB25-075** – Resolution 2155 Accepting Middle Fork Overlook Project

**AB25-076** – Resolution 2156 Accepting Dahlgren RRFB Curb Ramp Project

**AB25-077** – Ordinance 1835 Amending NBMC Chapter 3.56 Surplus Property

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

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

**Britni Larson**, resident of Shamrock Park neighborhood in unincorporated North Bend, reported 70% of her neighbors were opposed to the annexation submitted to the City by Craig Glazier for annexation of parcels in her neighborhood. She noted the disadvantages of the proposed annexation would include increased flood insurance costs and taxes, increased traffic and density.

**Kate Edwards**, North Bend resident, spoke in support of AB25-080 – Resolution 2157 Awarding 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & Main Sidewalk Project.

### **COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

**Finance & Administration Committee** – Councilmember Gothelf, Chair  
A report of the July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Public Health & Safety Committee** – Councilmember Rustik, Chair  
No report. The July 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was cancelled.

**Eastside Fire & Rescue Board Meeting** – Councilmember Gothelf  
A report of the July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Transportation & Public Works Committee** – Councilmember Koellen, Chair  
A report of the June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Council Workstudy** – Mayor Pro Tem Joselyn  
A report of the June 24<sup>th</sup> Workstudy was provided.

**Planning Commission**  
A report of the June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

**Parks Commission**  
No report.

**Economic Development Commission**  
A report of the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting was provided.

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

#### **INTRODUCTIONS:**

**AB25-078** – Ordinance 1836 Adopting NBMC 20.09.035 Permit Fee Waivers **Audio: 24:11**

Community & Economic Development Director Henderson provided the staff report.

Councilmember Tremolada **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB25-078, an ordinance adopting NBMC 20.09.035 Permit Fee Waivers, as a first and final reading. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

**AB25-079** – Motion Authorizing Contract with Avidex for A/V Upgrade **Audio: 28:35**

IT Manager Davenport provided the staff report.

Councilmember Gothelf **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Torguson to approve AB25-079, authorizing the Mayor to execute and administer a professional services agreement with Avidex in the amount of \$19,681 for audio and visual equipment improvements to the Adjournment Room, in a form and content acceptable to the City Attorney. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

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

Councilmember Koellen **MOVED**, seconded by Councilmember Gothelf to approve AB25-080, a resolution accepting bids and awarding the 5<sup>th</sup> Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Street, and Main Avenue construction contract to Ryatt Construction. The motion **PASSED** 6-0.

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

Councilmember Torguson encouraged all to attend the July 19<sup>th</sup> Block Party in Downtown North Bend.

Councilmember Koellen commented on the recent hot weather and encouraged all to stay cool and hydrated to avoid heat exhaustion.

Councilmember Tremolada mentioned a local resident was currently in second place at the World Series Poker Tournament in Las Vegas and Ignite Dance was awarded the Evolution Award for the Western United States at the National Championships for Dance.

Councilmember Joselyn mentioned the benefit of clearing yard waste from his property and disposing of it at the City's Yard Waste Recycling Program and noted I-90 Exit 25 would be closed for one week starting this Thursday due to the Highway 18 construction project.

Councilmember Gothelf encouraged all to slow down when driving through area neighborhoods and reminded all that golf carts were not legal on City streets.

Interim City Administrator Larson noted tonight was his last Council meeting as Interim City Administrator and noted it was an honor and privilege serving the citizens of North Bend.

Mayor Miller spoke regarding the following items:

- Application Deadline of August 1<sup>st</sup> for Planning Commission Vacancy
- July 19<sup>th</sup> Block Party & July 20<sup>th</sup> Car Show in Downtown
- W North Bend Way Bridge Project
- King County Regional Animal Services Pet Adoption Specials through July

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mayor Miller recessed the meeting for an Executive Session at 7:47 p.m. to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is

likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency, pursuant to RCW42.30.110(1)(i). No action was anticipated as a result of the Executive Session, which was expected to last thirty minutes and videotaping of the meeting ceased.

City Attorney Rosenberg was present for the Executive Session.

At 8:18 p.m. it was announced to audience members outside the adjournment room that the Executive Session was expected to last an additional ten minutes.

The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:28 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Mary Miller, Mayor

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Susie Oppedal, City Clerk