

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 13, 2016**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Norm Childress called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present were: Mayor Childress and Councilmembers Gaylord Brewer, Mike Everett, Dennis McDonald, Gloria Mendoza, Bill Moore, Javier Rodriguez and Joan Souders.

Staff present were: City Administrator/Public Works Director Cus Arteaga, City Attorney Quinn Plant, Assistant Public Works Director Santos Trevino, Fire Chief Pat Mason, Parks & Recreation Director Mike Carpenter and City Clerk Anita Palacios.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Sienna Black led the pledge of allegiance.

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Good Samaritan Awards – Gretchen Chronis, Donacio H. Balderas-Lucas and Richard Zook**

Fire Chief Mason presented Good Samaritan awards to Gretchen Chronis, Donacio H. Balderas-Lucas and Richard Zook for their assistance in saving a life during a medical emergency that occurred in September on Carriage Square Drive.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT – None**

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

**On motion by Councilmember Mendoza, second by Councilmember Souders, Council added the following Active Agenda items to the Consent Agenda for consideration:**

- **Resolution No. 2016-51 accepting the bid and authorizing the Daily Sun News as The Official City Newspaper for the year 2017**
- **Ordinance No. 2016-32 adopting the Grandview Growth Management Act Periodic Update, including an updated Comprehensive Plan, Development Regulations and Critical Areas Ordinance**

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council approved the amended Consent Agenda consisting of the following:**

- A. Minutes of the November 22, 2016 Committee-of-the-Whole meeting**
- B. Minutes of the November 22, 2016 Council meeting**
- C. Payroll Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) Nos. 5668-5673 in the amount of \$133,363.19**
- D. Payroll Check Nos. 9256-9294 in the amount of \$37,330.86**
- E. Payroll Direct Deposit 11/16/16 – 11/30/16 in the amount of \$152,322.67**
- F. Claim Check Nos. 111793-111911 in the amount of \$177,689.28**

- G. **Resolution No. 2016-51 accepting the bid and authorizing the Daily Sun News as The Official City Newspaper for the year 2017**
- H. **Ordinance No. 2016-32 adopting the Grandview Growth Management Act Periodic Update, including an updated Comprehensive Plan, Development Regulations and Critical Areas Ordinance**

6. **ACTIVE AGENDA**

- A. **Notice of Intent to Apply for Funding Assistance to the USDA Rural Development for the purchase of a fire truck and equipment**

City Administrator Arteaga explained that at the November 9, 2016 and November 22, 2016 C.O.W. meetings discussion took place regarding purchasing a fire truck and equipment utilizing USDA funding assistance.

Marti Canatsey, Community Programs Specialist with USDA Rural Development, explained that USDA RD provides loans to develop essential community facilities in cities with populations up to 20,000 per the 2010 Census. Applicants must be unable to obtain funds from other sources at reasonable rates and terms, have the legal authority to borrow and repay loans, and obtain security. Loan funds may be used to purchase equipment required for its operation. Applications selected for funding were based on a priority point system and projects that would provide public safety would receive priority. Funding was provided through a competitive process. Loan repayment terms may not be longer than the useful life of the purchase, state statutes, or a maximum of 40 years, whichever was less. Interest rates were set quarterly by Rural Development and were based on current market yields for municipal obligations. The current interest rate was 2.375%. Once the loan was approved, the interest rate would be fixed for the entire term of the loan. There would be no pre-payment penalties.

Discussion took place.

Councilmember Everett expressed opposition to the purchase of the fire truck and provided a written statement to be attached to the minutes.

**On motion by Councilmember Mendoza, second by Councilmember McDonald, Council moved the Notice of Intent to Apply for Funding Assistance to the USDA Rural Development for the purchase of a fire truck and equipment to the January 10, 2017 regular meeting for consideration.**

A roll call was requested with Councilmembers Mendoza, Moore, Rodriguez and McDonald voting in favor and Councilmembers Everett and Brewer voting in opposition.

City Clerk Palacios advised that a Public Meeting and Notice of Intent to Apply for Funding Assistance to the USDA Rural Development for the purchase of a Fire Truck and Equipment would be published in the Daily Sun News on December 19, 2016 giving notice that the City would be submitting an application for funding assistance to Rural Development and a public meeting would be held on January 10, 2017 to receive public comments on the application. In addition, a resolution authorizing the submittal of the application would be presented for Council consideration at the January 10, 2017 meeting.

**B. Resolution No. 2016-52 authorizing the Mayor to sign Supplemental Agreement Number 2 with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., for professional engineering services relating to the Old Inland Empire Highway Improvements**

This item was previously discussed at the November 22, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Everett, second by Councilmember Moore, Council approved Resolution No. 2016-52 authorizing the Mayor to sign Supplemental Agreement Number 2 with HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc., for professional engineering services relating to the Old Inland Empire Highway Improvements.**

**C. Ordinance No. 2016-26 establishing a Debt Service Fund for repayment of a Supporting Investments in Economic Diversification (SIED) Loan from Yakima County for costs associated with infrastructure improvements related to water, sewer, irrigation and roadway improvements south of Wine Country Road between Fir Street and the SVID canal**

This item was previously discussed at the November 22, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Mendoza, Council approved Ordinance No. 2016-26 establishing a Debt Service Fund for repayment of a Supporting Investments in Economic Diversification (SIED) Loan from Yakima County for costs associated with infrastructure improvements related to water, sewer, irrigation and roadway improvements south of Wine Country Road between Fir Street and the SVID canal.**

**D. Ordinance No. 2016-27 establishing a Debt Service Fund for repayment of a Supporting Investments in Economic Diversification (SIED) Loan from Yakima County for costs associated with infrastructure improvements related to Euclid/WCR Intersection and widening of Forsell Road from Wallace Way to Euclid Road**

This item was previously discussed at the November 22, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Everett, Council approved Ordinance No. 2016-27 establishing a Debt Service Fund for repayment of a Supporting Investments in Economic Diversification (SIED) Loan from Yakima County for costs associated with infrastructure improvements related to Euclid/WCR Intersection and widening of Forsell Road from Wallace Way to Euclid Road.**

**E. Ordinance No. 2016-28 amending 2016 annual budget**

This item was previously discussed at the November 22, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Everett, second by Councilmember Moore, Council approved Ordinance No. 2016-28 amending 2016 annual budget.**

**F. Ordinance No. 2016-29 adopting the budget and confirming tax levies for revenue to carry on the government for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017**

This item was previously discussed at the November 22, 2016 C.O.W. meeting and a public hearing was held at the November 22, 2016 regular meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council approved Ordinance No. 2016-29 adopting the budget and confirming tax levies for revenue to carry on the government for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.**

**G. Ordinance No. 2016-30 amending the City of Grandview 2017 non-union salary schedule**

This item was previously discussed at the November 22, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, second by Councilmember Mendoza, Council approved Ordinance No. 2016-30 amending the City of Grandview 2017 non-union salary schedule.**

**H. Ordinance No. 2016-31 vacating a portion of West Main Street adjacent to property owned by Yakima Valley College pursuant to Chapter 35.79 RCW and establishing an effective date**

This item was previously discussed at the October 11, 2016 C.O.W. meeting and October 25, 2016 regular Council meeting. A public hearing on this item was held at the November 22, 2016 regular Council meeting.

Councilmember Brewer requested that the ordinance be amended to include the following in the recital:

*WHEREAS, the City has received no objections to the request, including from owners of adjacent property, to include the Dairy Queen restaurant; and*

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember McDonald, Council approved the amendment to the ordinance.**

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember McDonald, Council approved Ordinance No. 2016-31 vacating a portion of West Main Street adjacent to property owned by Yakima Valley College pursuant to Chapter 35.79 RCW and establishing an effective date, as amended.**

**I. Resolution No. 2016-53 accepting 2016 Resurfacing Improvements project as complete**

This item was previously discussed at the December 13, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Everett, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council approved Resolution No. 2016-53 accepting 2016 Resurfacing Improvements project as complete.**

**J. Resolution No. 2016-54 accepting the bid for Municipal Pool Improvements – Phase 2A and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with Fencing & Awning, Inc.**

This item was previously discussed at the December 13, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council approved Resolution No. 2016-54 accepting the bid for Municipal Pool Improvements – Phase 2A and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with Fencing & Awning, Inc.**

**K. Resolution No. 2016-55 accepting the bid for Municipal Pool Improvements – Phase 2B and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with TTC Construction, Inc.**

This item was previously discussed at the December 13, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember McDonald, second by Councilmember Mendoza, Council approved Resolution No. 2016-55 accepting the bid for Municipal Pool Improvements – Phase 2B and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with TTC Construction, Inc.**

**L. Resolution No. 2016-56 accepting the bid for Municipal Pool Improvements – Phase 2C and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with Bestebreur Bros. Construction, Inc.**

This item was previously discussed at the December 13, 2016 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Mendoza, Council approved Resolution No. 2016-56 accepting the bid for Municipal Pool Improvements – Phase 2C and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with Bestebreur Bros. Construction, Inc.**

**7. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS**

**A. December 27, 2016 Council Meeting Cancellation**

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council cancelled the December 27, 2016 regular Council meeting due to a lack of agenda items.**

**8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR STAFF REPORTS**

2017 Funding Application Cycles Schedule – City Administrator Arteaga distributed the 2017 funding application cycle schedule for the various funding agencies which identified the Council requirement process for application.

OIE Water Main Improvements – Ste. Michelle Vault – City Administrator Arteaga reported that during the OIE water main improvements, the contractor uncovered a concrete vault that crosses West Fifth Street belonging to Ste. Michelle Wine Estates. The vault contains piping

from the winery to the storage tanks across the street and electrical conduit. The City was unaware of the vault which caused additional costs to the project. Ste. Michelle was billed the additional costs. In addition, Ste. Michelle would be providing the City with a utility easement for the vault and an engineering report on the stability of the vault.

Stassen Way Dust Control Improvements – City Administrator Arteaga reported that SVID agreed to allow the City to make improvements on SVID’s right-of-way along Stassen Way for dust control and also would participate in the project by providing 10-12 large truckloads of rock.

**9. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

Council Meeting Presentations & Sound System – Councilmember Brewer requested that staff provide a Powerpoint presentation for next year’s budget and amplify the sound system in the Council Chambers.

YVCOG General Membership Meeting – Yakima Valley Conference of Governments’ December General Membership Meeting and 50th Anniversary Celebration was scheduled for December 14th, 6:30 p.m. at the Harman Center in Yakima.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion by Councilmember Mendoza, second by Councilmember Moore, Council adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.**

  
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Mayor Norm Childress

  
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Anita Palacios, City Clerk

Anyone would like to have a shiny new fire truck for Christmas, however, I must speak in opposition to the Application to borrow approximately half a million dollars to buy a new fire truck.

Purchase of a new fire truck will not have any immediate or singular impact on the fire rating.

Based on the statements from the School District and their seeking of a new High School, the citizens of Grandview are Taxed to the Max.

Finally, as times have changed, the Fire Department has few fire calls and more and more medical EMT calls. The current fire truck is fully functional and is not in immediate need of repair etc.

So, after long and hard thought, I cannot agree that now is the time for the City of Grandview to take on more long term debt, and I cannot support the borrowing of this money for a new fire truck.