

## **COUNCILMEMBERS**

Position No.

1. Tod Gunther
2. Chris Moore
3. Don Tracy
4. John Williams
5. Gregg Bradshaw
6. Greg Hogan
7. Melodi Koenig



**ORTING CITY COUNCIL**  
Regular Business Meeting Minutes  
104 Bridge Street S, Orting, WA  
Zoom – Virtual  
December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

**Mayor Joshua Penner, Chair**

### **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND ROLL CALL.**

Mayor Penner called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Councilmember Koenig led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Councilmembers present:** Councilmembers Tod Gunther, Chris Moore, Don Tracy, John Williams, Melodi Koenig, and Deputy Mayor Greg Hogan.

**Absent:** Councilmember Gregg Bradshaw

Deputy Mayor Greg Hogan entered the meeting at 7:14pm

**Staff present:** City Administrator Scott Larson, Finance Director Gretchen Russo, City Attorney Charlotte Archer, Capital Projects Manager John Bielka, Public Works Director Greg Reed, Engineer JC Hungerford.

*Councilmember Williams made a motion to excuse Councilmember Gregg Bradshaw. Seconded by Councilmember Tracy.*

*Motion passed (5-0).*

### **REQUEST FOR ADDITIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA.**

*Councilmember Williams made a motion to move agenda item 2, public comments to take place after item 3, presentation. Seconded by Councilmember Tracy.*

*Motion Passed (5-0).*

### **2. STAFF RECOGNITION**

Mayor Penner briefed that he wanted to share with the public the great work the City's team members are doing each day and recognized Shawna Punzalan from the finance department, Joe Palombi from the police department, and Alan Gonzales from the public works department. He then read the recognition statements submitted by each supervisor. Finance Director Gretchen Russo, Public Works Director Greg Reed, and Chief of Police Devon Gabreluk also made statements about their respective employees.

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### **3. PRESENTATION**

Acting Chair of Commercial Aviation Coordinating Commission (CACC) Warren Hendrickson gave a presentation on updates for the location of a new commercial aviation facility. He stated it is the CACC's goal is to solve the issue of aviation capacity in Washington State. Mr. Hendrickson gave a brief background of the CACC stating it was created in 2019 by Substitute Senate Bill 5370. Mr. Hendrickson provided additional information related to the process and concluded by stating that CACC has been tasked with providing a site recommendation on or before June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to the state legislator.

Council Discussion followed.

### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

Arlene Adams a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed her opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Mary Hargrove expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Sheryl Thuline, a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

George Wearn, a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Lloyd Rowe a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Ashley Little a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Ryan Gerald a citizen of Puyallup, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Tana Cope a citizen of East Pierce County, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

James, a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Chuck Nunnally a citizen of Orting, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Ken Woodring a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Lucy Clayburn expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Micha Ide a citizen of Unincorporated Pierce County, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Kristen Pool a citizen of Unincorporated Pierce County, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Heather Johnson a citizen of Yelm, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Takako, a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Jake Pool a citizen of Central Pierce County, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Debbie Parsons a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

Cheryl a citizen of Graham, Washington expressed opposition to a potential Pierce County airport.

## **5. CONSENT AGENDA.**

- A. Payroll Claims and Warrants.
- B. Meeting Minutes of November 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- C. AB22-90 – 2023 Legislative Priorities.

*Councilmember Moore made a motion to approve consent agenda as prepared. Seconded by Councilmember Gunther.*

*Motion passed (6-0).*

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. AB-22-96 – 2022 Budget Amendment.**

Finance Director Gretchen Russo briefed on 2022 Budget Amendments stating both the cemetery fund and parks fund are expected to exceed the original budget for expenditures. She stated the cemetery sales were 50% higher than anticipated, the columbarium was installed, and the cemetery's well was upgraded during 2022 causing unexpected disinterment expenditures. Finance Director Gretchen Russo requested an increase of \$46,000 for the cemetery fund. Finance Director Gretchen Russo also requested an increase of \$30,000 for the parks fund to cover additional staff costs for maintenance of the City parks and ballfields.

*Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion to Adopt Ordinance No. 2022-1100 an ordinance of the City of Orting, Washington, amending Ordinance No. 2021-1089 and Ordinance No. 2022-1094, adopting the city of Orting 2022 budget; providing for appropriation and expenditure of funds received in excess of estimated revenues; adopting various transfers; providing for severability; and establishing an effective date. Seconded by Councilmember Koenig.*

*Motion passed (6-0).*

### **B. AB22-94 – Council Discretionary Funds.**

City Administrator Scott Larson briefed that City staff has worked with Council to identify uses for discretionary funds. He stated Council has requested that grant resolutions be prepared for their grants for 2022 Council Discretionary Funds as the following:

- \$1,500.00 – Orting Food Bank
- \$4,500.00 – The Opportunity Center of Orting (DBA the Haven)
- \$4,500.00 – Orting Jr. Cardinals Baseball
- \$3,000.00 – The Orting Senior Center
- \$1,500.00 – The Recovery Café
- \$3,000.00 – challenge coins

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Broken down by Councilmember:

Gunther: Challenge Coins - \$3,000.00

Moore: \$3,000.00 - The Opportunity Center of Orting (DBA the Haven)

Tracy: Orting Senior Center - \$3,000.00

Hogan: Orting Jr. Cardinals Baseball - \$3,000.00

Bradshaw: Orting Jr. Cardinals Baseball - \$1,500.00, Recovery Café - \$1,500.00

Koenig: Orting Food Bank - \$1,500.00, Opportunity Center of Orting (DBA the Haven) - \$1,500.00.

*Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2022-30, 2022-31, 2022-32, 2022-33, 2022-34, 2022-35, resolutions of the City of Orting, Washington, declaring a public purpose and authorizing a City grant of funds to Orting Food Bank, The Opportunity Center of Orting (DBA the Haven), Orting Jr. Cardinals Baseball, Orting Senior Center, Recovery Café of Orting, and challenge coins. Seconded by Councilmember Gunther.*

*Motion passed (6-0).*

### **C. AB22-80 – 2023 Grants.**

City Administrator Larson briefed that there was about \$13,000 appropriated into the 2023 Budget for grants which are separate from the funds coming out of the 2022 Budget. He then briefed the breakdown as the following:

2022 Budget:

Orting Food Bank - \$3,000.00

Opportunity Center of Orting (DBA the Haven) - \$7,879.21

Orting Valley Farmer's Market - \$6,000.00

2023 Budget:

Opportunity Center of Orting (DBA the Haven) - \$1,249.00

Orting Senior Center - \$12,000.00

Orting Chamber of Commerce (2023 Tourism Fund) - \$3,000.00

*Councilmember Koenig made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-36, 2022-37, 2022-38, 2022-39, 2022-40, resolutions of the City of Orting, Washington, declaring a public purpose and authorizing a City grant of funds to Orting Food Bank, Opportunity Center of Orting (DBA the Haven), Orting Valley Farmer's Market, Orting Senior Center, and Orting Chamber of Commerce. Seconded by Councilmember Tracy.*

*Motion passed (6-0)*

### **D. AB22-95 – Canceling December 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meetings.**

*Councilmember Gunther made a motion to cancel the study session scheduled on December 21, 2022 and regular business Council meeting scheduled on December 28, 2022. Seconded by Councilmember Moore.*

*Motion passed (6-0).*

### **7. EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

No executive session.

**8. ADJOURNMENT.**

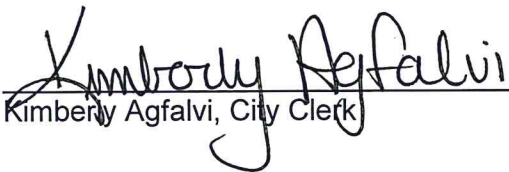
*Deputy Mayor Hogan made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Williams.*

*Motion passed (6-0).*

Mayor Penner adjourned the meeting at 9:20pm.

ATTEST:

  
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Joshua Penner, Mayor

  
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Kimberly Agfalvi, City Clerk