

## **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  
November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
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 Tracy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Staff present:** City Administrator Scott Larson, Finance Director Gretchen Russo, City Clerk Kim Agfalvi, Executive Assistant Danielle Charchenko, Public Works Director Marshall Maurer, Capital Projects Manager John Bielka, City Attorney Charlotte Archer, and Engineer JC Hungerford.

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

No requests were made.

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

No comments were made.

### **4. CONSENT AGENDA.**

A. Payroll Claims and Warrants.

B. Meeting Minutes of October 18<sup>th</sup> and October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

*Councilmember Koenig made a motion to approve the consent agenda as prepared. Seconded by Councilmember Hogan.*

*Motion passed (7-0).*

### **5. NEW BUSINESS.**

A. **AB23-113** – 2024 Draft Budget – Amendment Proposals.

Mayor Penner laid out the draft budget amendment proposal process.

City Administrator Scott Larson briefed on the four amendment proposals that were brought forward from the previous study session meeting. He stated the proposed amendments were as follows:

1. Add Charter Park Bathroom Materials Expense to Parks Fund,
2. Remove General Fund transfer to Street Fund,
3. Freezing non-represented staff salaries at 2023 levels, and
4. Remove street sweeper from Stormwater Fund.

*Councilmember Tracy made a motion to adopt Amendment 1 as outlined in the Amendment 1 2024 City of Orting Draft Budget Amendment Proposal. Seconded by Councilmember Koenig.*

Council discussion followed.

*Motion passed (5-2) Nay – Bradshaw and Gunther.*

*Councilmember Koenig made a motion to adopt Amendment 4 as outlined in the Amendment 4 2024 City of Orting Draft Budget Amendment Proposal. Seconded by Councilmember Williams.*

Council discussion followed.

*Motion passed (5-2) Nay – Bradshaw and Hogan.*

*Councilmember Moore made a motion to adopt Amendment 2 as outlined in the Amendment 2 2024 City of Orting Draft Budget Amendment Proposal.*

Council discussion followed.

*Motion failed (3-4) Nay – Bradshaw, Hogan, Koenig, and Gunther.*

Councilmember Williams stated he was not prepared to move forward with Amendment 3, freezing non-represented staff salaries at 2023 levels and asked that the item be moved to the City Council Study Session on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## **6. EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

City Attorney Charlotte Archer briefed that the meeting would be recessed to executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss potential or pending litigation when public discussion of the item could have adverse legal or financial consequence for the agency to begin at 8:16pm for fifteen minutes with possible action to follow.

Executive session began at 8:16pm.

Executive session was extended at 8:31pm for 10 minutes.

Executive session ended at 8:39pm.

Mayor Penner reconvened the meeting to regular session at 8:39pm.

*Deputy Mayor Bradshaw made a motion to authorize Mayor Penner to execute the necessary paperwork to opt out of the Dupont and 3M settlement. Seconded by Councilmember Moore.*

*Motion passed (7-0).*

## **7. ADJOURNMENT.**

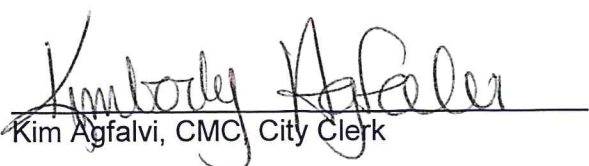
*Deputy Mayor Bradshaw made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Williams.*

*Motion passed (7-0).*

Mayor Penner adjourned the meeting at 8:41pm.

ATTEST:

  
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Joshua Penner, Mayor

  
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Kim Agfalvi, CMC, City Clerk