

COUNCILMEMBERS

Position No.

1. Tod Gunther
2. Chris Moore
3. Don Tracy
4. Jeff Sproul
5. Stanley Holland
6. Greg Hogan
7. Melodi Koenig



ORTING CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Abundant Life Variance Appeal Hearing
104 Bridge Street S, Orting, WA
Zoom – Virtual
January 31st. 2024
4:00 p.m.

Deputy Tod Gunther, Chair

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

Deputy Mayor Tod called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Councilmember Tracy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers present: Councilmembers Chris Moore, Don Tracy, Jeff Sproul, Stanley Holland, Greg Hogan and Deputy Mayor Gunther. Councilmember Moore entered the meeting at 4:03pm.

Attending Virtual (by Zoom): Councilmember Melodi Koenig.

Staff present: City Attorney Charlotte Archer, Planner Wayne Carlson, Executive Assistant Danielle Charchenko, City Clerk Kim Agfalvi, City Administrator Scott Larson, Special Legal Counsel Kendra Comeau.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Deputy Mayor Tod Gunther stated that Council would enter into an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss legal risks of a proposed action for twenty minutes with action to follow.

4:05pm – executive session began.

4:25pm – Deputy Mayor announced the executive session was extended for 15 minutes.

4:40pm – executive session ended.

Deputy Mayor Tod Gunther reconvened the meeting to regular session at 4:40pm.

3. CLOSED RECORD HEARING.

A closed record hearing was held on the appeal filed by the City of Orting Planning and Building department of the Hearing Examiner's decision on a critical areas variance application by applicant Abundant Life Church, dated November 1, 2023.

Councilmember Moore made a motion to deny the City's Motion to Strike portions of the Respondent's brief. Seconded by Councilmember Tracy.

Motion passed (7-0).

Councilmember Moore made a motion to deny the City's request to utilize an illustrative exhibit during the hearing. Seconded by Councilmember Tracy.

Motion passed (4-3). Yay – Gunther, Moore, Tracy, Sproul. Nay – Holland, Hogan, Koenig.

The City and the Respondent presented to the Council, and discussion occurred.

4. CLOSED SESSION.

Deputy Mayor Gunther announced that, pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(2), the City Council entered into a closed session to meet as a quasi-judicial body to deliberate for thirty minutes, with action to follow.

Deputy Mayor Tod Gunther reconvened the meeting to regular session at 6:30pm.

5. FINAL ACTION ON CLOSED RECORD HEARING.

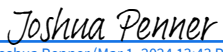
Councilmember Moore made a motion to deny the City's appeal and uphold the hearing examiner decision as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Koenig.

Motion passed (6-1). Nay – Hogan.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Deputy Mayor Gunther adjourned the meeting at 6:44pm.

ATTEST:


Joshua Penner (Mar 1, 2024 13:43 PST)
Joshua Penner, Mayor


Kim Agfalvi (Mar 1, 2024 13:45 PST)
Kimberly Agfalvi, CMC, City Clerk










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