

## MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL

April 13, 2021

### STUDY SESSION

Comprehensive Plan Housing and Land Use Elements Workshop with Planning Commission  
Berk Consulting Senior Associate Kevin Gifford provided a PowerPoint presentation to review the draft Housing Action Plan findings and strategies, discuss potential changes to the Future Land Use Map, and to discuss potential Urban Growth Area boundary revisions.

### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 7:11 p.m. by Mayor Curnel via audio only remote and limited in-person access. Special notices for attendance and citizen comment were posted on the meeting agenda.

### ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Curnel, Deputy Mayor Jackson; Council Members Eck, Riggs, Liebrecht, Myers, and Hankins.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Liebrecht led the Flag Salute.

### AGENDA APPROVAL

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Jackson moved to approve the Agenda, second by Council Member Riggs. The motion carried 7 – 0.

### SUMMARY REPORTS

#### MAYOR'S REPORT

##### AWC WellCity Recipient and Annual Conference

The City received a 2% discount on medical premiums as a reward for staff participating in the healthy workplace program. The AWC Conference is online this year in June, with registration open in April.

##### Moment of Silence for Tony St. Onge

Tony St. Onge was a great human being and an amazing citizen of the Moses Lake community who won multiple awards for service to the community. He was a swim coach and is the father of one of our Police Officers. He recently passed away and was honored by a moment of silence.

#### CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

##### Retirement of Building Official Kevin Myre

Building Official Kevin Myre was recognized for his 13 years of service with the City.

##### Larson Rec Center Construction Schedule

Leone and Keeble took possession of the building on the April 12. They will begin demolition on Monday followed by a 13-month construction cycle. The official groundbreaking will be scheduled during the week of May 17.

Director Interview Committees

Finance and Municipal Services Directors' searches were conducted through Prothman. Eleven applications were received for the Municipal Services position and the Finance Director opening has been extended to ensure that there is a good pool of applicants. Council Member Hankins and Deputy Mayor Jackson volunteered to participate on the Municipal Services Director initial interview committee. Council Members Riggs, Eck, and Mayor Curnel volunteered to be on the Finance Director initial interview committee.

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**

MLMC 6.07.010 – Addition of Ducks

Chris Johnson spoke about rehoming his ducks due to their neighbor's complaint that the Code does not allow them. Council agreed that an addition of ducks to this Code was not unreasonable and asked Mr. Johnson to contact Community Development Director Melissa Bethel to move forward with allowing ducks in the city limits

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- #1
  - a. City Council meeting minutes dated March 23, 2021
  - b. Claim Checks 151532 through 151751 in the amount of \$1,785,749.09; Payroll Checks 63675 through 63676 in the amount of \$776.21; and Electronic Payments dated April 2 in the amount of \$462,103.63
  - c. Accept POW Construction Lakeshore Project
  - d. Award Contract for Wanapum Sewer Project
  - e. Award Annual Citywide Crack Seal Bid
  - f. Authorize EVCO Sound Contract at Surf 'n Slide Water Park
  - g. Authorize Modern Building Lease Extension
  - h. Ratify Lad Irrigation Well 21 Repair Contract Amendment
  - i. Award Contract for Westshore Main Water Project

Action taken: Council Member Hankins moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Council Member Riggs. The motion carried 7 – 0.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- #2 Larson Rec Center LOCAL Funding Ordinance 2970  
Approval of the ordinance allows for the funding of the Larson Rec Center construction through the State of Washington LOCAL program. This is the final step in obtaining the funding for this project. Interest rates will not be locked until the state issues the bond.

Action taken: Council Member Hankins moved to adopt Ordinance 2970 as presented, second by Council Member Eck. The motion carried 7 – 0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- #3 Westshore Drive Road Improvement Covenant  
There are four covenants on file for Westshore Drive full width road improvements. Hayden Homes will cover the cost for half width improvements on existing covenants during the Sagecrest Phase 3 Major Plat construction. Citizen Steve Tolley requested further information

regarding the costs and when the amounts would be due. City Engineer Richard Law and Finance Director Cindy Jensen explained the costs to those with covenants will be prorated to each adjacent property once the project is accepted by the City, typically due in 30 to 60 days.

Action taken: Council Member Liebrecht moved to call the covenants due for the Westshore Drive Road Improvements, second by Deputy Mayor Jackson. The motion carried 7 – 0.

**#4**     2327 Westshore Drive NE Request to Connect to Water and Sewer

Lisa Curry requests approval to connect to the City’s water and sewer systems to serve parcel #141708000.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Jackson moved to approve the request to connect to City water and sewer at 2327 Westshore with an extraterritorial agreement, second by Council Member Riggs. The motion carried 7 – 0.

**#5**     Surf n Slide Water Park Fee Resolution 3848

This resolution will amend the fee structure at the water park due to COVID regulations. Drop-in rates are increased due to additional work needed to gather contact information, no show fees will be charged for season pass holders, a season pass is added for ages 3-4, and swim lesson fees have changed due to the smaller class sizes.

Action taken: Council Member Hankins moved to adopt Resolution 3848 with the condition that the fees be looked at again after COVID restrictions have been lifted, second by Council Member Liebrecht. The motion carried 6 – 1. Deputy Mayor Jackson was opposed.

**#6**     Sunshine Grow Covenant

Hearing Examiner Andy Kottkamp recently approved the Conditional Use Permit for a marijuana processing facility. The property is currently considered unplatted for the purposes of development and requires certain infrastructure improvements for the building permit. City code allows for deviations or deferrals of improvements with approval of the City Council. The developer has requested a deferral to the improvements in the form of a covenant.

City staff provided options for Council action. Staff expressed concern about the practice of allowing for deferrals through covenants as this practice creates a future obligation that is a future liability for the public if not acted upon. In this case, staff provided a map which identified the application is in an area with a number of parcels with various forms of deferrals reflected in covenants. Staff would like to explore the creation of an industrial development district and get the needed improvements in place effectively calling in the covenants at the same time.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Jackson moved to approve the applicant’s request to covenant for improvements and directs staff to start the process of exploring an LID in the ASPI Industrial Park area, second by Council Member Eck. The motion carried 6 – 1. Council Member Liebrecht opposed.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### Yard Waste Contract

There is interest in a local option for yard waste that is similar to the City of Cheney. Staff is going to look at Cheney’s program to see what is viable in Moses Lake.

Moses Lake School District Meeting

City Manager Allison Williams had a successful meeting with school district staff today regarding the School Resource Officer contract, the El Rancho Hotel Shelter, HopeSource services, shared use facility contract, the Yonezawa Boulevard construction schedule, and the opening of Groff Elementary.

**COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

Council Member Liebrecht requested an update on recycled material. Finance Director Cindy Jensen said that it is being bundled and baled and sent off to recycling facilities. The City pays for these services in effort to keep materials out of the landfill.

Deputy Mayor Jackson asked about ADT counts at Highway 17 and Nelson Rd in regard to the inability to complete Yonezawa at this time and the potential increase of traffic for the new Elementary School. City Engineer Richard Law said that most of the traffic will be going to the North and East and should not affect traffic much in the short term.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Curnel called an Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. to be held for 45 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) subsections (g) and (i) to discuss performance of an employee and litigation; there will be no further business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



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David Curnel, Mayor

ATTEST



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Debbie Burke, City Clerk