

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 25, 2012**

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 Mike Bren, Pam Horner, Bill Moore, Jesse Palacios, Javier Rodriguez and Joan Souders. Councilmember Diana Jennings was absent.

Staff present were: City Administrator/Public Works Director Cus Arteaga, City Attorney Quinn Plant, City Attorney Tony Menke, City Treasurer John Myers, Police Chief David Charvet, Fire Chief Pat Mason, Parks & Recreation Director Mike Carpenter and City Clerk Anita Palacios.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Childress led the pledge of allegiance.

3. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Dawn Meyer, Executive Director of the S.L. Start Program RE: Adaptive Programming

Dawn Meyer, Executive Director of the S.L. Start Program discussed the value of the City's adaptive aquatics and other adaptive programming and what that means to individuals with mental and physical disabilities in the area.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

5. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Councilmember Horner, second by Councilmember Moore, Council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda consisting of the following:

- A. Minutes of the September 11, 2012 regular meeting
- B. Electronic Payroll Fund Transfers (EFT) in the amount of \$60,119.22
- C. Payroll Check Nos. 6307-6325 in the amount of \$89,532.42
- D. Payroll Direct Deposit 9/1/12 - 9/15/12 in the amount of \$91,602.68
- E. Claim Check Nos. 102113-102212 in the amount of \$476,267.95
- F. Resolution No. 2012-47 declaring certain property as surplus and authorizing its sale or disposition

6. ACTIVE AGENDA

- A. Resolution No. 2012-48 authorizing the Mayor to sign a Public Defender Agreement with the Law Offices of Beck and Phillips, PLLC

At the September 11, 2012 meeting, Council authorized the Mayor to negotiate a contract for indigent defense services with the Law Offices of Beck and Phillips, PLLC, for Council

consideration. The Public Defender Agreement negotiated with the Law Offices of Beck and Phillips, PLLC would begin October 1, 2012 for compensation in a total fixed-fee amount of \$48,000.00 payable in equal monthly installments. In addition, the City would negotiate terms for the disposition of the existing indigent defense caseload with an appropriate provider of indigent defense services as and when the caseload was determined.

On motion by Councilmember Palacios, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2012-48 authorizing the Mayor to sign a Public Defender Agreement with the Law Offices of Beck and Phillips, PLLC.

B. Resolution No. 2012-49 authorizing the Mayor to sign the School Resource Officer Addendum Memorandum of Agreement with the Grandview School District

The City and School District entered into an agreement dated September 1, 2010 to provide a School Resource Officer to handle issues that arise at the schools before becoming more volatile and end up out on the streets when the schools close for the day. The agreement also provided a quality environment to teach the GREAT (Gang Resistance Education And Training) program to the children in the classroom. The initial agreement provided for the School District to pay for 75% of the officer's salary and benefits with the City paying the remaining 25% which covered the officer's time during non-school days of work. The City and School District re-negotiated the terms of the agreement beginning September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013 to provide for a 50/50 split of the School Resource Officer's salary and benefits.

On motion by Councilmember Horner, second by Councilmember Bren, Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2012-49 authorizing the Mayor to sign the School Resource Officer Addendum Memorandum of Agreement with the Grandview School District.

7. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS – None

8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR STAFF REPORTS

North Birch Street Neighborhood Improvement Project – The North Birch Street Neighborhood Improvement Project was 95% complete. The contractor has kept the barricades in place in order to finish the clean-up process.

Euclid Construction Project – The Euclid construction project has begun.

2013 Preliminary Budget – Department Directors have filed their 2013 preliminary budget estimates with the City Treasurer. City Administrator Arteaga and City Treasurer Myers would be reviewing the budget estimates with the Mayor.

Railroad Truss Bridge Removal – Police Chief Charvet reported that the abandoned railroad truss bridge was being removed. This had been a major nuisance for the City.

9. MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER MEETING REPORTS

Community Center Advisory Committee Meeting – Councilmember Souders attended the Community Center Advisory Committee meeting on September 18th. The committee discussed

the development of an outdoor courtyard project with the goal of obtaining Council support in early 2013.

Dog Park Committee Meeting – Councilmember Souders attended the Dog Park Committee meeting on September 18th. Discussions included the formation of their non-profit charitable status.

YVCOG General Membership Meeting – Mayor Childress, Councilmember Horner, Councilmember Moore, City Administrator Arteaga and Assistant Public Works Director Santos Trevino attended the Yakima Valley Conference of Governments General Membership meeting on September 19th at the Yakima Convention Center.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Potential Litigation, Personnel Issues & Union Negotiations

Mayor Childress adjourned the meeting to an executive session at 7:20 p.m., for approximately 20 minutes to discuss potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) with the aforementioned Mayor, Councilmembers, City Attorneys, City Administrator, Fire Chief and City Clerk present. The meeting resumed at 7:40 p.m.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting to another executive session at 7:40 p.m., for approximately 20 minutes to discuss personnel issues per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) with the aforementioned Mayor, Councilmembers, City Attorneys, City Administrator, City Treasurer, Police Chief and City Clerk present. The executive session was continued an additional 10 minutes. The meeting resumed at 8:10 p.m.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting to another executive session at 8:10 p.m., for approximately 15 minutes to discuss union negotiations per RCW 42.30.140(4) with the aforementioned Mayor, Councilmembers, City Attorneys, City Administrator and Police Chief present. Councilmember Palacios and City Clerk Palacios recused themselves from the executive session. An additional 10 minutes was requested at 8:25 p.m. The meeting resumed at 8:45 p.m., with the aforementioned Mayor, Council and staff present.

11. ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Bren, Council unanimously adjourned the regular meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Mayor Norm Childress

Anita Palacios, City Clerk