

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 8, 2022**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gloria Mendoza called the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

The meeting was held in person and was also available via teleconference.

2. ROLL CALL

Present in person: Mayor Mendoza and Councilmembers David Diaz, Bill Moore (Mayor Pro Tem), Robert Ozuna, Javier Rodriguez and Joan Souders

Present via teleconference: Councilmember Mike Everett

Absent: Councilmember Diana Jennings

Staff present: City Administrator/Public Works Director Cus Arteaga, City Treasurer Matt Cordray, City Attorney Quinn Plant, Assistant Public Works Director Todd Dorsett and City Clerk Anita Palacios

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Wine Country Road Roundabout Video

Present on behalf of HLA Engineering was Mike Battle, Stephen Hazzard and Chris Cuevas.

HLA presented a draft video regarding the Wine Country Road roundabout which was prepared by the Washington State Department of Transportation.

B. Pool Tank Repairs

Parks & Recreation Director Chronis explained that last year during the budget process, she informed the Council that the pool tank was in need of immediate repairs. She also reported to Council that she had received a preliminary repair estimate and as a result, appropriated \$100,000 in this year's budget to complete the needed repairs. The proposed estimate was to include sand blasting, cement repairs and repainting for a construction estimate of \$133,828. She presented the revised preliminary estimates provided by HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. and Columbia Industrial Coatings. The new recommended repairs were to include pressure washing, concrete repairs and repainting in the amount of \$102,570. Staff requested Council's authorization to proceed with the repair project in order to meet the scheduled swim pool opening date of June 10, 2022.

Discussion took place.

On motion by Councilmember Everett, second by Councilmember Moore, the C.O.W. moved the approval of the swim pool tank repair recommendation to the March 8, 2022 regular meeting for consideration.

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Everett – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

C. Ordinance amending the 2022 Annual Budget

City Treasurer Cordray explained that staff monitoring and review of fund and department budgets identified numerous budget accounts to be amended. An ordinance was prepared to provide for the amending of the 2022 Annual Budget to accommodate the changes in sources and uses. By Fund the highlights of the budget changes were:

- Current Expense Fund: Increased appropriations for Chamber of Commerce tourism 2021, 2% support of substance abuse programs, Police Administration corrected salaries and Police Detective retirement buyout. Decreased appropriations to move one officer from this fund into the Yakima County Law & Justice Fund. Net effect was an increase to estimated ending fund balance.
- Yakima Co. Law & Justice Tax Fund: Increased appropriations to move one officer into this fund from Current Expense Fund. Net effect was a decrease to estimated ending fund balance.
- Transportation Benefit District Fund: Increased appropriations in Professional Services for the West Wine Country Road Park and Ride Improvements application. Net effect was a decrease to estimated ending fund balance.

Discussion took place.

Councilmember Everett moved to strike the Chamber support for 2021 in the amount of \$2,500 from the budget amendment. The motion died due to a lack of a second.

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, the C.O.W. moved an ordinance amending the 2022 Annual Budget to the March 22, 2022 regular meeting for consideration.

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Everett – No
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

D. 2022 Budget Postponements

City Treasurer Cordray explained that in November 2021, staff presented to Council 2022 Budget Recommendations that would help balance the 2022 proposed budget. At that time, staff and Council agreed to re-open/revisit the deleted budget appropriations in February 2022 after the City Treasurer presented the actual fund balances. Earlier this month, he presented a budget amendment request that was to be approved at the February 22nd Council meeting. The amendment showed a Current Expense 2022 ending fund balance of \$165,000. Within the last couple of weeks, two new items were presented that were not included in the 2022 budget: \$8,000 to Yakima County for alcohol abuse programs and a \$42,000 cash out for early retirement in the police department. These two items would bring the ending fund balance down to \$115,000. As of this week, the ending fund balance was \$170,000. In light of this new information and with ongoing police union negotiations and discussions regarding the use of ARPA funds, he recommended Council continue to postpone the budget items to a future date.

Discussion took place.

On motion by Councilmember Souders, second by Councilmember Ozuna, the C.O.W. postponed the budget items to the April 12, 2022 regular meeting for consideration.

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Everett – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

6. OTHER BUSINESS

A. ARPA Eligible Project List

City Treasurer Cordray requested that a special Council meeting be scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., to discuss the ARPA Eligible Project List.

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Diaz, the C.O.W. directed staff to schedule a special Council meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., to discuss the ARPA Eligible Project List.

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Everett – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Rodriguez, the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Mayor Gloria Mendoza

Anita Palacios, City Clerk