

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 14, 2023**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Gloria Mendoza called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

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

Present via teleconference: None

Absent: None

Staff present: City Administrator/Public Works Director Cus Arteaga, City Administrator Shane Fisher, City Attorney Quinn Plant, City Treasurer Matt Cordray, Public Works Director Hector Mejia and City Clerk Anita Palacios

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Mendoza led the pledge of allegiance.

**3. APPROVE AGENDA**

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Barrientes, Council approved the November 14, 2023 regular meeting agenda as presented.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**4. PRESENTATIONS – None**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Mendoza read a message to the citizens of Grandview, Council and staff, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as part of these minutes.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

**On motion by Councilmember Diaz, second by Councilmember Souders, Council approved the Consent Agenda consisting of the following:**

- A. Minutes of the October 23, 2023 Special Budget meeting**
- B. Minutes of the October 24, 2023 Committee-of-the-Whole meeting**
- C. Minutes of the October 24, 2023 Council meeting**
- D. Payroll Check Nos. 13588-13624 in the amount of \$32,246.29**
- E. Payroll Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) Nos. 61177-61183 in the amount of \$114,180.86**
- F. Payroll Direct Deposit 10/16/23-10/31/23 in the amount \$157,482.65**
- G. Claim Check Nos. 127599-127728 in the amount of \$891,997.67**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**7. ACTIVE AGENDA**

- A. Ordinance No. 2023-17 levying the 2024 ad valorem property taxes and excess levy taxes**

This item was previously discussed at the October 24, 2023 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, second by Councilmember Diaz, Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-17 levying the 2024 ad valorem property taxes and excess levy taxes.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**B. Ordinance No. 2023-18 increasing the 2024 property tax levy for the City of Grandview above the “limit factor” up to 101 percent**

This item was previously discussed at the October 24, 2023 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-18 increasing the 2024 property tax levy for the City of Grandview above the “limit factor” up to 101 percent.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**C. Ordinance No. 2023-19 regarding a Supporting Investments in Economic Diversification Contract with Yakima County and the City of Grandview for the Old Inland Empire Highway (Welch) Sanitary Sewer Improvements; authorizing the Mayor to execute all documents necessary to implement the agreement and receive and expend all monies received under the agreement for the project; and creating project Fund 345 – Old Inland Empire Highway (Welch) Sanitary Sewer Improvements and authorizing the City Treasurer to make interfund loans to support cash flow to Fund 345**

This item was previously discussed at the October 24, 2023 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Diaz, second by Councilmember Ozuna, Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-19 regarding a Supporting Investments in Economic Diversification Contract with Yakima County and the City of Grandview for the Old Inland Empire Highway (Welch) Sanitary Sewer Improvements; authorizing the Mayor to execute all documents necessary to implement the agreement and receive and expend all monies received under the agreement for the project; and creating project Fund 345 – Old Inland Empire Highway (Welch) Sanitary Sewer Improvements and authorizing the City Treasurer to make interfund loans to support cash flow to Fund 345.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**D. Ordinance No. 2023-20 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 2.48.070 Headstones requiring rebar pins on upright headstones**

This item was previously discussed at the October 24, 2023 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Barrientes, Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-20 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 2.48.070 Headstones requiring rebar pins on upright headstones.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**E. Ordinance No. 2023-21 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.010 setting domestic water rates**

This item was previously discussed at the October 23, 2023 Special Budget meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Diaz, second by Councilmember Moore, Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-21 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.010 setting domestic water rates.**

Roll call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**F. Ordinance No. 2023-22 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.050 setting domestic sewer rates**

This item was previously discussed at the October 23, 2023 Special Budget meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, second by Councilmember Souders, Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-22 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.050 setting domestic sewer rates.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**G. Ordinance No. 2023-23 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.085 setting garbage rates**

This item was previously discussed at the October 23, 2023 Special Budget meeting.  
**On motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, second by Councilmember Souders, Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-23 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.085 setting garbage rates.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

**H. Ordinance No. 2023-24 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.060(B) setting irrigation rates**

This item was previously discussed at the October 23, 2023 Special Budget meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, second by Councilmember Flores, Council approved Ordinance No. 2023-24 amending Grandview Municipal Code Section 13.28.060(B) setting irrigation rates.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

I. **Resolution No. 2023-69 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Regional Mobility Grant Program Capital Construction Grant Agreement between the City and the Washington State Department of Transportation for the Wine Country Road Park and Ride**

This item was previously discussed at the November 14, 2023 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Ozuna, Council approved Resolution No. 2023-69 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Regional Mobility Grant Program Capital Construction Grant Agreement between the City and the Washington State Department of Transportation for the Wine Country Road Park and Ride.**

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilmember Barrientes – Yes
- Councilmember Diaz – Yes
- Councilmember Flores – Yes
- Councilmember Moore – Yes
- Councilmember Ozuna – Yes
- Councilmember Rodriguez – Yes
- Councilmember Souders – Yes

8. **UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS** – None

9. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR STAFF REPORTS** – None

10. **MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS** – None

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Barrientes, the Council meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.**

  
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Mayor Gloria Mendoza

  
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Anita Palacios, City Clerk



November 14, 2023

As I prepared for today's meeting, I looked back and reflected on the many positive things that we've accomplished together. First and foremost, I want to give God all the glory and honor for the many accomplishments we have had in the last 5 years. Without God's help, we would not have had all the accomplishments. I spent five years as your mayor, and in this time together we faced a pandemic. We helped support our local small commercial businesses by providing much-needed funding, and we were able to recruit six new businesses to locate in Grandview. In the last five years, we have seen much-needed housing development, and we have also seen positive commercial growth and infrastructure improvements. We strengthened our partnerships with our elected officials in Olympia and our elected officials in Yakima County as well. We have seen many first-time accomplishments for Grandview. First McDonalds, First Truck Plaza, First Hotel, and First Small Business Grants, just to mention a few. You should be proud!

Second, I want to thank you, City Council. I am honored to have had the opportunity to work with a team of council members who rolled up their sleeves and got to work. The City of Grandview is blessed to have a City Council Board that is honest, forward-thinking, and most importantly, always looking for ways to improve the quality of life for those we represent. I am certain that you will continue to protect the integrity of the city of Grandview. The city of Grandview is known as the poster city of Yakima County. This has not come without deliberate and honest work.

We are also blessed and thankful to have an experienced city administrator who has dedicated his entire career to Grandview. With his leadership, we built a team of dedicated and outstanding department directors who have dedicated themselves to making this job their "career" These employees are committed and will work long hours to get the job done and done right! In my term as mayor, I was often congratulated by others on how our staff just gets the job done!

I have truly cherished these last five years, and I will always look back and say, "I was part of that improvement and/or addition". I am hopeful that the city will continue to thrive under our future leadership.

Thank you, Council; thank you, staff; and thank you, Grandview. God bless you all.