

**GRANDVIEW CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 9, 2024**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ashley Lara 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 Lara 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 Shane Fisher, City Attorney Quinn Plant, City Treasurer Matt Cordray, Public Works Director Hector Mejia, Fire Chief Pat Mason, Library Director Wendy Poteet and City Clerk Anita Palacios

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

E'lliyah Garza led the pledge of allegiance.

**3. APPROVE AGENDA**

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Ozuna, Council approved the January 9, 2024 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**

Vicky Frausto, Councilmember, City of Sunnyside, introduced herself and congratulated newly elected Mayor Lara and Councilmembers.

Keren Vazquez, Councilmember, City of Sunnyside, introduced herself and congratulated newly elected Mayor Lara and Councilmembers.

Lindsey Kingsley, lives in the City of Zillah and representing the Yakima County Democrats, provided comments regarding the LGBTQ+ Book Club at the Grandview Library.

**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 December 12, 2023 Committee-of-the-Whole meeting**
- B. Minutes of the December 12, 2023 Council meeting**
- C. Payroll Check Nos. 13672-13717 in the amount of \$206,409.41**
- D. Payroll Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) Nos. 61217-61221 in the amount of \$144,408.99**
- E. Payroll Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) Nos. 61224-61230 in the amount of \$102,005.77**
- F. Payroll Direct Deposit 12/1/23-12/15/23 in the amount \$133,383.89**
- G. Payroll Direct Deposit 12/15/23-12/31/23 in the amount \$144,543.62**
- H. Claim Check Nos. 127950-128116 in the amount of \$722,797.57**

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. 2024-01 authorizing the payment of claims or other obligations Pursuant to RCW 35A.40.020**

This item was previously discussed at the January 9, 2024 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, Council approved Ordinance No. 2024-01 authorizing the payment of claims or other obligations Pursuant to RCW 35A.40.020.**

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. Resolution No. 2024-01 authorizing the Mayor to sign Change Order No. 2 with American Rock Products for the West Fifth and Elm Street Resurfacing**

This item was previously discussed at the January 9, 2024 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, second by Councilmember Barrientes, Council approved Resolution No. 2024-01 authorizing the Mayor to sign Change Order No. 2 with American Rock Products for the West Fifth and Elm Street Resurfacing.**

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. Resolution No. 2024-02 accepting the bid for the Wine Country Road and Higgins Way Improvements and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with Interwest Construction, Inc.**

This item was previously discussed at the January 9, 2024 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Diaz, second by Councilmember Moore, Council approved Resolution No. 2024-02 accepting the bid for the Wine Country Road and Higgins Way Improvements and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with Interwest Construction, Inc.**

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. Resolution No. 2024-03 accepting the bid for the WWTP Influent Force Main Repair and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with Alba's Excavating & Construction, Inc.**

This item was previously discussed at the January 9, 2024 C.O.W. meeting.

**On motion by Councilmember Moore, second by Councilmember Souders, Council approved Resolution No. 2024-03 accepting the bid for the WWTP Influent Force Main Repair and authorizing the Mayor to sign all contract documents with Alba's Excavating & Construction, Inc.**

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**

Cemetery Improvement Committee – City Administrator Fisher reported that the Cemetery Improvement Committee would be visiting additional cemeteries in the Tri-Cities and Walla Walla weather permitting.

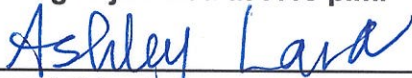
10. **MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

Newly Elected Mayor Lara's Statement – Mayor Lara read a statement, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as part of these minutes.

AWC Conference – The AWC City Action Days Conference scheduled for February 7-8, 2024 in Lacey was currently full. However, AWC was accepting wait list registrations.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

  
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Mayor Ashley Lara

  
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Anita Palacios, City Clerk

**This opportunity to step up and represent Grandview is an honor and a privilege. I am truly strengthened by the passion and visions of the families of our great city.**

**I envision a city that represents the people that make up our community. We have some of the kindest, most humble, and giving people in the Yakima Valley and I want our city to reflect their best characteristics. I am committed to leading Grandview with the highest levels of integrity, respect, and accountability, while setting the standard on how to connect with the people we serve through effective communication.**

**Residents have expressed interest in more of a variety of restaurants, attractions, and activities specifically geared towards children. All of this is possible, and we will do everything we can to support efforts in making it happen, but it is crucial our city invests in developing the infrastructure that supports our growing population to ensure sustainable growth.**

**As Mayor of Grandview, I will work hard, listen carefully, and consider all sides of the issues in front of us to pave the way for a strong, sustainable future. These actions, in partnership with City Council, Community Organizations, the School District, local businesses and all of you, will prepare Grandview for the continued growth and prosperity of our humble community. I look forward to working with and serving each and every one of you and I am incredibly grateful that you have trusted me with the responsibilities ahead.**

*Ashley Lara*  
Mayor of Grandview

