

MINUTES FOR GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, November 22, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.
Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL: Mayor Kuhn called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Councilmembers Abersold, Denson, Franich, Himes, Markley, Rodenberg, and Woock were present.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: Consent Agenda 4 was moved to New Business 1 at the request of Councilmember Rodenberg.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. City Council Minutes - City Council Special Meeting Minutes - October 18, 2021; City Council Study Session Minutes - October 18, 2021; City Council Study Session Minutes - October 19, 2021; City Council Special Meeting Minutes - November 8, 2021; City Council Minutes - November 8, 2021
2. Receive & File – Parks Commission Minutes - October 6, 2021; Planning Commission Minutes - October 7, 2021
3. Advisory Board Appointments and Removals
4. Agreement with FISH Food Bank
5. Purchase Authorization for Street Lights
6. Approval of Vouchers - Check numbers 96551 through 96673, cashier's check and ACH payments in the amount of \$855,479.96.

MOTION: Move to approve the Consent Agenda (Franich/Woock).

VOTE: Unanimously approved.

PRESENTATIONS: Sandy Allen took the Oath of Office for appointment to Municipal Court Judge. Mayor Kuhn showed a video of 23 acres of conservation property that the City is considering purchasing.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Key Pen Parks Director Tracey Perkosky expressed support for acquiring the conservation property. Roger Henderson also expressed support for acquiring the conservation property. Bob Anderson updated the Council on potential Sister City partners.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Public Hearing: Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 1474 2022**
Budget: Finance Director Dave Rodenbach presented the 2022 Budget as revised by Council during study sessions and first reading.

The mayor opened the public hearing. There was no public comment. The mayor closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Move to adopt Ordinance 1474 (Markley/Abersold).

VOTE: Unanimously approved.

In addition, Council amended the 2022 Budget as follows:

MOTION: Move \$2 million in funding for Well #9 Development and Water Rights Processing from ARPA Funds to the Water Capital Fund (Markley/Denson).

VOTE: Motion passed 5-2; Franich and Himes opposed

MOTION: Amend Community Development Objective No. 11 to note Development Regulation updates should be based on occupancy, not seats (Denson/Rodenberg).

VOTE: Unanimously approved.

City Council entered into recess at 6:30 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 6:42 p.m.

MOTION: Revise Jerkovich Pier Advanced Mitigation Project to read: Demolish the existing, dilapidated Jerkovich Pier located at Ancich Waterfront Park using unique federal and state processes that will preserve the work as advanced mitigation for the future Commercial Fishing Homeport float system. City will move forward with demolition only on execution of a memorandum of understanding guaranteeing the advanced mitigation will be a credit for the future Commercial Fishing Homeport Pier. \$150,000. (Denson/Woock).

VOTE: Unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Approval to Hire Parks Manager Above Mid-Point of Salary Range:** City Administrator Tony Piasecki presented a proposal to hire the new Parks Manager.

MOTION: Move to authorize the hiring of a Parks Manager applicant above mid-point of current salary range (Woock/Himes).

VOTE: Motion passed 6-0; Rodenberg abstained.

- 2. Public Hearing: Presentation of Draft ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Planning Program:** City Engineer Trent Ward introduced Jennifer Saleman from TSI and presented an overview of the ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Planning Program.

The mayor opened the public hearing. There was no public comment. The mayor closed the public hearing.

- 3. First Reading of Ordinance 1476 Codifying the Municipal Court:** Interim City Clerk Joshua Stecker introduced the ordinance which will move the City's regulations for the Municipal Court into the Gig Harbor Municipal Code. The ordinance will return for second reading on December 13.

4. **Resolution 1224 Adopting LTAC Recommendations:** Tourism and Communications Director Laura Pettitt introduced the recommendations for lodging tax funding as proposed by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

Public Comment: Eunice Kim Setiawan commented on support for the Asian Pacific Cultural Center.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 1224 (Woock/Denson).

AMENDMENT: Move to remove funding for Crescent Valley Lavender Farm and ask LTAC to reconsider funding \$5,000 to the Asian Pacific Cultural Center (Denson/Markley).

VOTE: Unanimously approved.

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Council entered into recess at 8:05 p.m. Council reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council entered into executive session to discuss potential litigation per RCW 42.30.110(i) at 8:15 p.m. The mayor announced that the executive session would last for 10 minutes and no action would be taken following the executive session.

Council returned from executive session at 8:25 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS (continued):

5. **First Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 1475 Temporary Suspension of Special Use Provisions:** Community Development Director Katrina Knutson presented the ordinance which would extend the termination provision of the emergency measures to 120 days past the expiration of the Governor's State of Emergency proclamation.

Public Comment: Frank and Abigail Hodge, Tim Gartland, and Kathryn DiMaggio provided written public comment in opposition to the ordinance.

Council took no action on the proposed ordinance.

6. **First Reading of Ordinance 1477 2021 Comprehensive Plan Amendment:** Principal Planner Carl de Simas introduced the Ordinance which will adopt the Arts & Culture Element of the Comprehensive Plan as proposed by the Planning Commission.

Public Comment: Lynn Stevenson and Ben Coronado commented in support of the ordinance.

The ordinance will return for second reading on December 13.

7. **Resolution 1222 Establishing Fees for Public Rental of Ancich Human Powered Craft Storage Racks:** Public Works Director Jeff Langhelm presented the resolution which establishes the fee structure for kayak and canoe storage at Ancich Waterfront Park.

Public Comment: Kirsten Gregory commented on rates at comparable storage facilities.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 1222 (Woock/Himes).

VOTE: Motion passed 6-1; Franich opposed.

8. **First Reading of Ordinance 1478 Parks-Related Code Updates:** Public Works Director Jeff Langhelm presented the ordinance which establishes hours of usage for Ancich Waterfront Park.

Public Comment: Alan Anderson recommended extending hours during winter.

Staff will consult with the Gig Harbor Canoe & Kayak Racing Team and will revise the ordinance to account for extended winter hours. The ordinance will return for second reading on December 13.

9. **Resolution 1223 Burnham Ridge Sewer and Water Utility Extension Agreements:** Public Works Director Jeff Langhelm presented the resolution which provides required utility extensions to the site.

MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 1223 (Markley/Abersold).

VOTE: Motion passed 4-1. Woock opposed; Franich and Himes abstained.

COUNCIL REPORTS / COMMENTS:

Councilmember Franich reported on the Public Works Committee meeting of November 9. Councilmember Woock welcomed new Parks Manager Matthew Keough and praised the efforts of the operations crews during recent storm events. Councilmember Markley reported on Sister City developments.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.



Joshua Stecker, CMC
Interim City Clerk