

# Minutes of the Arlington City Council Zoom Meeting

Monday, February 22, 2022

**Councilmembers Present:** Mike Hopson, Marilyn Oertle, Debora Nelson, Don Vanney, Jan Schuette, Michele Blythe, and Heather Logan.

Council Members Absent: None.

**Staff Present:** Mayor Barb Tolbert, Paul Ellis, Jim Kelly, Jonathan Ventura, City Attorney Steve Peiffle, James Trefry, Kristin Garcia, Bryan Terry, and Julie Petersen.

**Also Known to be Present:** Six YouTube viewers.

Mayor Barb Tolbert called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call followed.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

#### INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### **PROCLAIMATIONS**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda that was unanimously carried:

- 1. Minutes of the February 7 and February 14, 2022 Council meetings
- Accounts Payable:
   Approval of EFT Payments and Claims Checks: #104756 #104871 dated February 8th, 2022 through February 22, 2022 for \$926,052.90 and EFT Payment #999726320 dated February 8, 2022 for \$33,250.75; and Payroll check #30151 #30157 dated January 1, 2022 through January 31, 2022 for \$1,138,432.67.
- 3. Contract Renewal with Strategies 360

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Funding Recommendations**

Finance Director Kristin Garcia requested Council approve the 11 grant applications at 100% funding for each application totaling \$97,086.00. Discussion followed with Ms. Garcia answering Council questions.

Councilmember Debora Nelson moved and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the 11 grant applications at 100% totaling \$97,086.00. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Ordinance Adopting the Lindsay Annexation**

Community and Economic Development Planning Manager Amy Rusko requested Council approve the Lindsay Annexation ordinance and authorize the Mayor to sign the ordinance and the required documents related to the annexation, for submittal to Office of Financial Management. Discussion followed with Ms. Rusko answering Council questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the Lindsay Annexation Ordinance and authorized the Mayor to sign the ordinance and the required documents related to the annexation. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Resolution Adopting an Updated Fee Schedule**

Community and Economic Development Planning Manager Amy Rusko requested Council approve the resolution updating the City's fee schedule. The fees included in the schedule cover all departments in the City, and address items not included in the Arlington Municipal Code. Discussion followed with Ms. Rusko answering Council questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved and Councilmember Heather Logan seconded the motion to replace Resolution No. 2020-021 and adopt the revised fee schedule in accordance with the Arlington Municipal Code. The motion passed unanimously.

# Modification to Salary Schedule for Non-Represented Employees for 2022

Administrative Services Director James Trefry requested Council approve the revision to the 2022 Non-Represented pay plan to add the following:

- 1. New classification of Deputy Public Works Director, in a new pay grade "0".
- 2. Police and Human Resources are also requesting to add the new classification of Police Lieutenant to existing pay grade M.
- 3. Maintenance and Operations and Human resources are requesting an increase in the hourly rate for pay grade A to a minimum rate of \$17.00 and a maximum of \$19.00.

There is no requested change to the budget allocation for Maintenance and Operations or Police. Discussion followed with Mr. Trefry answering Council questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the modification to the Salary Schedule for Non-Represented Employees for 2022, to be effective March 1, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

## COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Don Vanney stated that the memorial service at the Airport for Commissioner Don Munson was great. Other Councilmembers agreed, and shared it was well attended, and that the family was appreciative.

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette attended the Snohomish County Committee for Improved Transportation (SCCIT) meeting. She stated that there will be a significant amount of funding coming from the federal government. Councilmember Schuette feels confident that Arlington will secure grants to complete the City's transportation projects. Discussion followed stating which transportation projects were approved.

## ADMINISTRATOR AND STAFF REPORTS

None.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Barb Tolbert announced that the House released their capital budget over the weekend, and the Civic Space at Smokey Point Park for \$278,000.00 was included. The House is working with the Senate to get it reconciled into the final bill for approval.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

## ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Barbara Tolbert, Mayor