CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING



Monday, December 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM City Hall

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mayor Linnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Flag Salute

3. Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Troy Linnell

Council Member Brenna Franco

Council Member Gordon Cook

Council Member Timothy Fairley

Council Member Lynda Osborn

Council Member William Thomas

Staff Present: Jessica Griess, City Administrator, James Schrimpsher, Chief of Police, Russ Avery, Public Works Director, Dana Parker, Deputy City Clerk

4. Presentation

Chief Brad Thompson with Valley Regional Fire Authority presented Officer Fajardo and Officer Gerrard with the Life Saving Award for their response to the accident on West Valley Highway on 10/22/2023.

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Thomas, Seconded by Council Member Fairley. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

6. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Fairley, Seconded by Council Member Osborn. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

A. Minutes

November 27th, 2023 Council Workshop

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B. Audit of Reports

1. Claims #113319 - #113363 = \$507,259.70

December 11, 2023

2. Payroll = \$74,593.66

December 8, 2023

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7. Reports

Councilmember Franco - This is my last meeting. Thank you to Public Works for all of your hard work the last couple of weeks. Thank you to City Staff and the Police Department. So thankful for the opportunity to work and learn from everyone.

Councilmember Cook - Thank you to Public Works and staff for all of their hard work. We had City Council training on Saturday. Thank you Jessica for taking your time and setting this up for us. Went to the tree lighting and had a great time. A lot of effort by public works and city staff.

Councilmember Fairley - I also attended the council training on Saturday. Very informative and I learned alot. I also wanted to thank public works. I drove by eleventh and they were working their tails off. It definately made a difference.

Councilmember Osborn. Sorry I missed the training on Saturday.

Councilmember Thomas - Thank you to public works. It was not easy in the dark. I appreciate the chief getting the sacks brought in. I attended the training on Saturday. and I learned some new things. I also attended the Christmas tree lighting and I think it was the best ever. I appreciate all the hard work that the staff did.

Public Works Director Russ Avery - Flooding issue. Crews put in a lot long hours also working over the weekend. It seems to be holding its level now. Working with Fish and Wildlife and Engineering on long term plans.

Chief Schrimpsher - I am putting my Emergency Management hat on. I might have ruffled a few feathers. I contacted King County Emergency Management and asked to pass on to the state level. State was phenomenal. Never had that kind of response before. They provided us with 600' of Hesco and asked if we needed anything else like gravel. Hats off to the crew. They learned on the fly. Might have ruffled some of our neighbors feather. I take full responsibility for that. On the Police Department side. Our newest officer Gary starts at the academy on the thirteenth. He will finish at the end of March. The other three are doing good. Thank you to Jessica and her staff for the incredible job they did on the banquet. Thank you to everyone who showed up. First training will be in February. On behalf of the Police department thank you for your support.

City Administrator Jessica Griess - The new website will be up and running at the end of April or first part of May. The phones are back. We are upgrading to fiber lines. Our new public works employee starts on Monday. Thank you to everyone who attended the banquet. Saturday I got a taste of all departments. I started out with Council getting them set up with training. I then helped Lee finish up the Christmas tree and we got soaked. Blue Christmas with the police department was very rewarding watching the kids faces light up and tree lighting was great. Thank you everyone who took part in it. Brenna thank you for your time on the council.

Mayor Linnell - Mayor Linnell presented councilmember Franco with flowers and thanked her for serving on the council. Thank you to everyone who works for the city for everything that happed last week All of the Christmas stuff and Blue Christmas. Got to ride with the chief and watched the kids faces light up. Thank you to Gary Klein. You did a good job organizing and and setting up. Things that I have attended since November 29th. Good Eggs Breakfast with Pete Von Reichbauer. I was on the Public Issues committee and I was on the nominating committee. I attended virtually with Dana the South Cities Association Jurassic Parliament. It was about Council meetings going hay wire.

8. Audience Participation

The City Council encourages public participation during meetings of the City Council and welcomes your comments. This time is set-aside for you to speak to the City Council on any issue. The Council ordinarily takes non-agenda matters under advisement before taking action. You are also invited to comment on action items as they are considered during the meeting. Individual speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each in addressing the City Council. When addressing the Council, please speak clearly and audibly and state your name and address for the record.

None.

9. Discussion

A. Resolution 1268-23, Franchise Fee

Emily Romanenko with the City Attorney's office briefed the council on franchise fees and answered any questions.

B. Department of Commerce, Local and Community Projects Grant Agreement

City Administrator Griess discussed the grant with the council.

10. New Business

A. City Clerk Contract

Motion made by Council Member Fairley, Seconded by Council Member Cook. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

B. Scheduling Second Council Meeting in December 2023

The council voted No to having a second meeting in December

Motion made by Council Member Cook, Seconded by Council Member Osborn. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

11. Old Business

A. 2024 Olympic Environmental Resources Agreement

Motion made by Council Member Fairley, Seconded by Council Member Thomas. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

B. Algona Police Officers Contract Memorandum of Understanding

Motion made by Council Member Cook, Seconded by Council Member Thomas. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

C. WA Department of Commerce Middle Housing Grant Agreement

Motion made by Council Member Franco, Seconded by Council Member Cook. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

12. Ordinances & Resolution

A. Ordinance 1230-23, 2023 Budget Amendment

Motion made by Council Member Cook, Seconded by Council Member Fairley. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

B. Ordinance 1231-23, 2024 Final Budget

Motion made by Council Member Fairley, Seconded by Council Member Thomas. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

C. Resolution 1267-23, WaFed Bank

Motion made by Council Member Thomas, Seconded by Council Member Franco. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

D. Ordinance 1227-23, 2024 Water Rate

Motion made by Council Member Cook, Seconded by Council Member Fairley. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas

	Motion made by Council Member Franco, Seconded by Council Member Cook. Voting Yea: Council Member Franco, Council Member Cook, Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas
13.	Next Workshop
14.	Adjournment
	Mayor Linnell adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.
ATTEST:	

Troy Linnell – Mayor

E. Ordinance 1228-23, Sewer Rate Increase for 2024

Jessica Griess – City Clerk