

# CITY OF LYNDEN

## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING



January 3, 2022

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Korthuis called to order the January 3, 2022, regular session of the Lynden City Council at 7:00 p.m., which was held online, via Microsoft Teams.

### ROLL

### CALL

Members present: Mayor Scott Korthuis and Councilors, Gary Bode, Ron De Valois, Gerald Kuiken, Brent Lenssen, Nick Laninga, Kyle Strengholt, and Mark Wohlrab.

Members absent: None.

Staff present: Finance Director Anthony Burrows, Fire Chief Mark Billmire, Parks Director Vern Meenderinck, Parks Manager Brent DeRuyter, Planning Director Heidi Gudde, Police Chief Steve Taylor, Public Works Director Steve Banham, City Attorney Bob Carmichael, City Administrator John Williams, and City Clerk Pam Brown.

**OATH OF OFFICE- None**

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

***Councilor Kuiken moved and Councilor Wohlrab seconded to approve the December 20, 2021, regular council meeting minutes as presented. Motion approved on a 6-0 vote.***

### ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

**Scheduled: None**

**Unscheduled: None**

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## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

### Payroll Liability to December 16 through December 31, 2021

#### EFT & Other Liabilities

##### Non-L&I Liabilities

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Monthly EFT .....                        | \$554,135.87        |
| Check Liability .....                    | \$1,569.70          |
| Total Non-L&I Liabilities .....          | \$555,705.57        |
| Quarterly Liabilities .....              | \$11,924.33         |
| <b>Total EFT &amp; Other Liabilities</b> | <b>\$567,629.90</b> |

### Approval of Claims – December 31, 2021 (Print Date 1-6-2022)

|                      |              |         |              |                      |                |
|----------------------|--------------|---------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Manual Warrants No.  | <u>23542</u> | through | <u>23544</u> |                      | \$24,268.89    |
| EFT Payment Pre-Pays |              |         |              |                      | \$221,194.30   |
|                      |              |         |              | Sub Total Pre-Pays   | \$245,463.19   |
| Voucher Warrants No. | <u>23545</u> | through | <u>23565</u> |                      | \$167,814.90   |
| EFT Payments         |              |         |              |                      | <u>\$0.000</u> |
|                      |              |         |              | Sub Total            | \$167,814.90   |
|                      |              |         |              | Total Accts. Payable | \$413,278.09   |

#### Resolution No. 1044 – Request to Cancel Warrants

Appoint Mayor Korthuis to the 2022 Board of the Whatcom Council of Governments and appoint Councilor Gary Bode to act as the Alternate

Appoint Mayor Korthuis to the 2022 Whatcom Transportation Authority (WTA) Board of Directors

***Councilor Bode moved, and Councilor Kuiken seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion approved on a 6-0 vote.***

## 3. PUBLIC HEARING - None

## 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS- None

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### 5. NEW BUSINESS

#### Select Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Korthuis opened nominations for Mayor Pro Tem. Councilor De Valois nominated Councilor Gary Bode. There were no other nominations. Nominations were closed.

***Motion made by Councilor De Valois to appoint Councilor Bode as Mayor Pro Tem. Motion approved on a 6-0 vote.***

Mayor Korthuis polled the council concerning the council committee appointments. Everyone stated satisfaction as to their own committee appointment. Mayor Korthuis stated that council committee appointments would remain the same for 2022.

### 6. OTHER BUSINESS - None

### 7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council entered executive session to discuss consideration of site selection or acquisition of real estate purchase or lease as allowed by RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b). The executive session was expected to last 10 minutes and a decision is likely.

City Clerk Pam Brown announced that the executive session ended at 7:10 p.m. and Council was now entering into a closed-door session to discuss contract negotiations.

Council reconvened at 7:15 p.m.

***Motion made by Councilor Bode to authorize the mayor to sign the paperwork necessary to purchase real property located at 8691 Benson Road and all associated documents for the closing of the transaction. Councilor Kuiken seconded. Motion approved on a 6-0 vote.***

### 8. ADJOURNMENT

The January 3, 2022, regular session of the Lynden City Council adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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Pamela D. Brown, MMC  
City Clerk

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Scott Korthuis  
Mayor