



MEDINA, WASHINGTON

AGENDA BILL

Monday, May 9, 2022

Subject: Passport Services Reinstatement

Category: Consent

Staff Contact: Aimee Kellerman, CMC, City Clerk

Summary

The city's passport services have been suspended since March of 2020. At the October 11, 2021, City Council meeting, staff proposed reinstating services in January. At the time, there were concerns about the potential risks of increasing exposure to COVID-19 and overwhelming staff with a high volume of passport service requests when other nearby agencies were not yet providing passport services. Council voted to continue the suspension of passport services until such time that the Council and the City Manager agree that passport services should be reinstated.

Since that meeting, several other agencies have resumed passport services and our city hall has officially opened back up the public, resuming normal business services on Monday, May 2, 2022. Staff is ready to get back to pre-COVID services and requests that the City Council and the Interim City Manager reinstate passport services.

Attachment

None.

Budget/Fiscal Impact: Passport service supplies were budgeted in the 2022 budget.

Recommendation: Approve.

City Manager Approval:

Proposed Council Motion: "I move to reinstate the city's passport service and direct staff to move forward with getting reinstated with the Department of State to become a Passport Acceptance Facility."