



BATTLE GROUND CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JULY 6, 2021

The regular meeting of the Battle Ground City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Cortes via Zoom meeting, Meeting ID 6112135077.

City Clerk Kay Kammer called the roll. The following were:

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Adrian Cortes, Deputy Mayor Philip Johnson, Council members Cherish DesRochers, Shane Bowman, Brian Munson, and Shauna Walters.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Erin Erdman, Police Chief Mike Fort, Public Works Director Mark Herceg, Finance and Information Services Director Meagan Lowery, Community Development Director Sam Crummett, Fire District No. 3 Chief Scott Sorenson, Communications Manager/PIO Bonnie Gilberti, City Attorney Christine Hayes and City Clerk Kay Kammer.

Mayor Cortes announced that the agenda would need to be amended to add an additional Executive Session at the beginning of the meeting for council to discuss potential litigation that the City reasonably believes may be commenced by or against the City, the City Council, or an employee acting in an official capacity for approximately 10 minutes with no action to be taken.

MOTION: Council member Bowman moved to enter an executive session as presented.

SECOND: Deputy Mayor Johnson

AYES: Bowman, Johnson, Cortes, Walters, and DesRochers.

NAYS: Munson.

VOTE: Motion carried.

Mayor Cortes reconvened the regular meeting at 7:16 p.m. and announced that no action would be taken.

SUMMARY REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Council member(s) reported on the following:

7:16 p.m.

No reports were received.

Mayor's Report

7:16 p.m.

- ❖ Proclamation: Parks and Recreation Month
- ❖ Resolution to ban a local income tax to be brought forward at the July 19 meeting
- ❖ Resolution No. 20-02-D, Emergency Declaration

City Manager Erdman provided information regarding the Governor's proclamations and the City's emergency declaration with the reopening of the State.

Council consensus was to remove the parklet program September 13 providing time for restaurant owners to seek a permit if they choose to continue, in-person council meetings to be able to start September 1, and maintain the janitorial services to October 1.

Presentations

- ❖ State Route Mowing Resolution 7:40 p.m.

CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATIONS

7:58 p.m.

Kendra Laratta

- ❖ Representing the Harvest Days Festival Committee and requested an additional \$10,000 in funding for the event due to increased unanticipated costs

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Johnson moved to authorize \$10,000 in funding for allowable expenses due to COVID-19 requirements as presented.

SECOND: Council member DesRochers.

AYES: Cortes, DesRochers, Johnson, Walters, and Munson.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Bowman.

VOTE: Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

8:07 p.m.

- A. City Council study session minutes from June 21, 2021.
- B. City Council meeting minutes from June 21, 2021.
- C. Payroll vouchers dated 06/25/2021, #28860 through #28866 in the amount of \$5,846.96 and direct deposits in the amount of \$210,328.50.
- D. Claim Vouchers dated 06/18/2021, #88642 through #88676, in the amount of \$691,996.50.
- E. Claim Vouchers dated 06/25/2021, #88677 through #88700 and bank drafts, in the amount of \$250,575.67.
- F. SR503 Pathway bid rejection.

MOTION: Council member Bowman moved to approve the consent as presented.

SECOND: Council member Munson.

AYES: Cortes, DesRochers, Johnson, Bowman, Walters, and Munson.

NAYS: None.

VOTE: Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

8:07 p.m.

Ordinance No. 2021-17, Interim Zoning Controls: Public Hearing/Motion

Presented by Community Development Director Sam Crummett.

Summary: Council accepted testimony and considered a moratorium on development applications in Mixed-Use Employment zones.

Mayor Cortes opened the public hearing at 8:09 p.m.

No testimony was received.

Mayor Cortes closed the public hearing at 8:09 p.m.

MOTION: Council member Munson moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-17, Interim Zoning Controls as presented.

SECOND: Council member Walters.

AYES: Cortes, DesRochers, Bowman, Walters, Johnson, and Munson.

NAYS: None.

VOTE: Motion carried.

BUSINESS

8:11 p.m.

Ordinance No. 2021-14, Budget Amendment: Motion

Presented by Finance and Information Services Director Meagan Lowery.

Summary: Council considered approval of proposed budget amendments.

MOTION: Council member moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-14, Budget Amendments adding the \$10,000 funding for the Harvest Days Festival Committee.

SECOND: Council member.

AYES: Cortes, DesRochers, Johnson, Walters, and Munson.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Bowman.

VOTE: Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

8:21 p.m.

Police Department

- ❖ Neighbors on Watch (NOW) program
- ❖ Police Service Technicians

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

8:48 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Johnson

- ❖ Asked for information regarding the fireworks ban and the science behind it

Fire Marshal Drone provided information regarding the discharge ban, communications, and efforts on enforcement

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Cortes announced at 8:52 p.m., pursuant to RCW 42.30.110, Council will enter an executive session at 9:00 p.m. to evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to an elective office for approximately 45 minutes. Any interview of the candidate and final action will take place at a meeting open to the public.

Mayor Cortes reconvened the regular meeting at 9:27 p.m.

MOTION: Council member Bowman moved to move the 7 applicants forward and vote tonight.

SECOND: None.

VOTE: Motion fails for lack of second.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Johnson moved to postpone consideration of the applicants until the July 19 meeting.

SECOND: Council member Munson.

AYES: Cortes, DesRochers, Walters, Johnson, and Munson.

NAYS: Bowman.

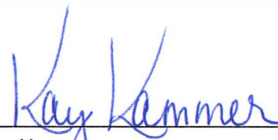
VOTE: Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.



Adrian Cortes
Mayor



Kay Kammer
City Clerk

Date of approval by the City Council: July 19, 2021

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