



CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON

City Council MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2021

Regular Meeting - 6:30 PM

STUDY SESSION - 5:30 P.M.

1. Pavement Preservation Funding Options

GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 PM

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Ron Onslow	Councilor	Present	
Lee Wells	Councilor	Present	
Don Stose	Mayor	Present	
Jen Lindsay	Councilor	Present	
Rob Aichele	Councilor	Present	
Dana Ziemer	Councilor	Absent	

MOTION: Council member Onslow moved to excuse Council Member Ziemer from the meeting.

SECOND: Council Member Lindsay.

Motion Passed.

LATE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Business: Motion - Acceptance of Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

PUBLIC COMMENT

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CONSENT AGENDA - MOTION TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jen Lindsay, Councilor
SECONDER:	Lee Wells, Councilor
AYES:	Onslow, Wells, Stose, Lindsay, Aichele
ABSENT:	Ziemer

1. Approval of Claims And/Or Payroll

2. Approval of Minutes from the May 27, 2021 Meeting

3. Employment Contract

PRESENTATION

1. Proclamation Policy & Process

2. Consideration of Pride Month Proclamation

3. City Council Appointment Process

BUSINESS

1. Motion - Approval of Award of Stormwater Facility Rehab Bid

The City's 2021 budget includes funding to remove accumulated sediment and replant five stormwater facilities in the Bellwood Heights and Hillhurst neighborhoods. The project will restore the stormwater facilities to their original capacity and function and reduce risk of flooding and property damage. The City opened bids for the project on June 1st and received five bids for the work, with Keystone Contracting of Ridgefield submitting the low bid.

MOTION: MOVED TO AWARD THE STORM FACILITY REHABILITATION PROJECT TO KEYSTONE CONTRACTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$141,894.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rob Aichele, Councilor
AYES:	Onslow, Wells, Stose, Lindsay, Aichele
ABSENT:	Ziemer

2. Motion - Approval of Award of Gee Creek Trail - Abrams Park to Heron Drive

In 2017 the City applied for and received a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant for construction of improvements to the Gee Creek Trail between Abrams Park and Heron Drive. In 2019 the City contracted with Abam (now WSP) to complete plans and bid documents for the project. The project includes drainage improvements, plating, benches and interpretive signs, as well as a RRFB pedestrian crossing at Heron Drive. Bids were opened on June 1st and the City received five bids on the project, with the lowest bid submitted by SlateCo of Battle Ground.

MOTION: MOVED TO AWARD THE GEE CREEK TRAIL PROJECT TO SLATECO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,895.21.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ron Onslow, Councilor
SECONDER:	Jen Lindsay, Councilor
AYES:	Onslow, Wells, Stose, Lindsay, Aichele
ABSENT:	Ziemer

3. Acceptance of Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

The House of Representative adopted a Senate amended version of the American Rescue Plan Act on March 10, 2021. The package includes \$350 billion in aid for state and local governments. The City of Ridgefield has been notified through the Washington State Office of Financial Management that upon acceptance the city will receive \$2,555,041 in ARPA funds. The first disbursement could come as soon as June 27, 2021, for \$1,277,521 with the second half of the funding disbursed approximately one year later. The city has until December 31, 2024 to obligate the funds. Staff is submitting the award to the council for authorization for the City Manager to sign and accept the ARPA funding. A study session will

be held on July 22, 2021 to bring options to Council for use of the funds.

MOTION: MOVED TO ACCEPT THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,555,041.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Lee Wells, Councilor
SECONDER:	Jen Lindsay, Councilor
AYES:	Onslow, Wells, Stose, Lindsay, Aichele
ABSENT:	Ziemer

PUBLIC HEARING/BUSINESS

1. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 1344 – Ridgefield Municipal Code Amendment - Building and Fire Code Updates - Claire Lust, Community Development Director

The 2018 building codes were initially intended to be adopted at the state level on July 1, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Inslee delayed this adoption date to November 1, 2020. Subsequently, at a special council meeting on June 26, 2020, the SBCC voted to extend the effective date to February 1, 2021. Ridgefield has been applying the 2018 building codes since the effective date of February 1, 2021, as required to comply with the standards adopted by the SBCC. The proposed code amendments complete the City’s compliance requirements by adopting the 2018 building codes by reference, in writing, in RMC Title 14 - Buildings and Construction with certain amendments specific to the City of Ridgefield. This code update also changes the outdated “Clark County Fire District No. 12” to “Clark Cowlitz Fire Rescue” in Titles 14 and 8.

Mayor Opened Public Hearing: 7:24PM

No testimony received.

Mayor Closed Public Hearing: 7:24PM

MOTION: MOVED TO WAIVE SECOND READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 1344 AS PRESENTED.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rob Aichele, Councilor
SECONDER:	Ron Onslow, Councilor
AYES:	Onslow, Wells, Stose, Lindsay, Aichele
ABSENT:	Ziemer

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COUNCIL/PRESIDING OFFICER/STAFF REPORTS

Council

Council Member Aichele - Attended Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce meeting, School Board meeting and ribbon cutting for the new Ridgefield High School Stadium Entrance, pre-application conference meeting.

Council Lindsay - Attended School Board meeting and ribbon cutting for the new Ridgefield High School Stadium Entrance, helped with senior BBQ, AWC legislative priorities meeting.

Council Member Onslow - Attended AWC audit committee meeting, helped with senior BBQ, AWC virtual conference scheduled for next week.

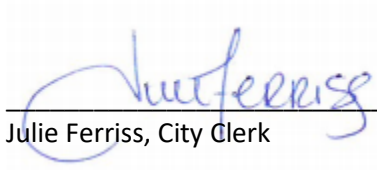
Council Member Wells - Attended pre-application conference meeting.

Mayor

Kudos to City staff for another great First Saturday event.

City Manager

ADJOURN - [7:36 PM](#)



Julie Ferriss, City Clerk



Don Stose, Mayor