

# CLE ELUM CITY COUNCIL

## AGENDA

JUNE 26, 2023

6:00 PM

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1. **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call**

Steven Harper – Councilmember present

Beth Williams – Councilmember (excused absence)

Sew Bay – Hansen – Councilmember (excused absence)

Kan Ratliff – Councilmember present

John Glondo – Councilmember present

Mathew Lundh – Councilmember present

Sarah Lackey – Councilmember present

Jay McGowan – Mayor

Rob Omans – City Administrator

Debbie Lee – Clerk

Rich Albo – Police Chief

MOTION: Councilmember Lundh made a motion to approve the absence of Councilmember Williams and Councilmember Hansen; seconded by Councilmember Glondo.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 yes 0 no.

2. **Public Comment – Limited to 5 Minutes**

Ingrid Vimont – Stated she is against 47\* North as it would put the hospital in a financial deficit.

Larry Stauffer – Stated that this was the end of the comment period for 47\* North and the citizens exceeded his expectations.

Patricia Garris – Spoke about growing up in Cle Elum and how 47\* North would cause a massive influx.

Tiffany Christman – Stated that she was tired and has educated many people in the community on the 47\* North Project. She went on to state now that school is out that maybe the city can look at the meeting schedule and change to another day, so it does not conflict with their meeting. Tiffany

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also commented that she looked at the website and there are some meeting minutes that are missing.

### 3. Announcements, Appointments, Awards & Recognition

Mayor McGowan explained to Council that the Annual Board Meeting for the Yakima Basin Fish and Wildlife Recovery Board is August 9<sup>th</sup>. They will have an introduction, tour and luncheon. This would be a good opportunity to get an idea of what they do.

Mayor McGowan informed Council that there will be an Executive Session on Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. regarding personnel. Discussion was had about the time of the meeting and how it might not work for everyone. It was decided that the meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m.

### 4. Consent Agenda

Items listed have been distributed to Council Members in advance for study and will be enacted by one motion. If a separate discussion is desired on an item, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on a Regular Agenda at the request of a Council Member or at the request of a member of the public with concurrence of a Council Member:

- a. **Minutes of the 06/12/2023 Regular Council Meeting**
- b. **Accounts Payable Vouchers 06/12/2023– as approved by the Budget Committee – See Report**

MOTION: Councilmember Lundh made a motion to approve the consent agenda; seconded Councilmember Glondo.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 yes 0 no.

### 5. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Councilmember Harper made a motion to add for discussion under New Business E. Mayor Pro Tem.

MOTION: Councilmember Lundh made a motion to approve the agenda as amended to add under New Business E. Mayor Pro Tem; seconded by Councilmember Harper.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 yes 0 no.

### 6. Officer / Commissioner Reports

City Administrator, Planning, Public Works, Police Chief

City Administrator – See attached Councilmember Salary Survey. He added Clyde Hill and some notes. Omans also presented a list of grants that the City has applied for and are awaiting notification if they were awarded. Omans informed Council that 100 young people will be doing a community service project helping weed flower beds and picking up garbage Tuesday night from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

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Planning – No report submitted.

Public Works – No report submitted.

Chief Albo submitted some stats for the month. See the attached report. The HVAC bid was accepted, and the job should be completed in a few more days. Chief Albo reported that the Police Department has seen a lot of activity lately. Recently another officer gave his notice as he no longer wants to work in law enforcement. The Police Department will be conducting oral boards tomorrow to select two new sergeant positions. Chief Albo reminded everyone that fireworks are illegal in the City of Cle Elum.

### **7. Public Appearances – 15-Minute Limit**

#### **a. Chamber of Commerce Report – Amy McGuffin**

McGuffin informed Council that the Chamber of Commerce has partnered with the Downtown Association and so far, there are 64 participants in the Pioneer Days Parade. McGuffin said that usually the day of the parade they will get an additional 20 participants signed up. McGuffin wanted to thank staff for their help with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July activities. There will be vendors/activities for kids and fireworks. The Business Development Center will be holding weekly L&I classes for anyone interested. McGuffin mentioned that when families come to this type of event, they tend to spend 5X more than normal. McGuffin stated that citizens can sign up for the parade on the website and that the cutoff date is Wednesday. They can also sign up the day of the parade but will be placed on the end of the parade line up.

Councilmember Ratliff thanked McGuffin for mentioning the 3 on 3 basketball tournament and stated that the people who put on this tournament also put on a basketball tournament in the fall. McGuffin is aware of this. The Yakima Nation stores all the hoops for these tournaments and Councilmember Ratliff would like to thank them.

#### **b. CEDA Downtown Association Report – Jordan Peterson**

Peterson submitted a written report. Please see attached.

Councilmember Lundh would like to congratulate Peterson for being appointed as the new Executive Director.

### **8. Business Requiring Public Hearings**

#### **a. Six Year Transportation Improvement Program From 2024-2029 STIP**

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:54 p.m. and closed at 6:56 p.m.

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Ben Annen with HLA explained the this is the time for Public Comment and there are 14 projects on this list. You can amend this 6-year TIP at any time if priorities change or funding becomes available to the city.

Councilmember Ratliff would like to see some type of evaluation happen when it comes to the roundabout.

Larry Stauffer commented and inquired as to how future projects and their processes fit into the 6-year TIP.

Ingrid Vimont asked if the Hospital District will be involved with the First & Pine area near Safeway traffic study.

Councilmember Harper asked who prepared the document. It is prepared by HLA and City Staff, and they have made their best judgement with this plan. Councilmember Harper would like to move Third Street into a four-year rotation. And move First Street Improvements priority #7 to priority #14. Councilmember Harper would be more comfortable with these changes. All other projects move up the list in priority.

MOTION: Councilmember Harper made a motion to move Third Street to a four-year rotation and move Project #7 First Street to Project #14.

MOTION FAILED: due to lack of second.

MOITON: Councilmember Harper made a motion to move project #11 to #7; seconded by Councilmember Ratliff. This vote changes the document.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 yes 0 no.

Annon from HLA explained that more evaluation needs to be completed before First & Pine can be considered.

Discussion was had about all projects.

### 9. Unfinished Business

#### a. **2023-016 Resolution of the City of Cle Elum, Washington, Adopting the Cle Elum City Council Operating Policies and Procedures Manual – Gary Berndt**

MOTION: Councilmember Lundh would like this to be tabled. Councilmember Lundh realized this was still in his draft box and he did not send it to the Clerk until this morning; will be tabled until the next meeting July 10, 2023.

Title changes and grammar changes and a few descriptions.

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- b. 1646 Ordinance of the City of Cle Elum, Washington Adopting Finding of Fact, Amending the Comprehensive Plan to Add a New Goal and Policies to Further Protect the City from Threat of Wildfires; Providing for Severability; and Establishing an Effective Date – Colleda Monick HLA**

Colleda Monick gave a staff report and process regarding the Ordinance brought to Council. This is the first reading of the Ordinance. Planning Department recommends these goals presented.

Councilmember Ratliff asked if items 1-13 seem like it is not ready to be adopted by the Ordinance. These are up to Council to decide about adding these policies. If there are changes, they can be added when the Ordinance is read for the second time.

MOTION: Councilmember Harper stated with the number of policies he is comfortable about coming back and revisiting this at the next meeting; seconded by Councilmember Ratliff.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 yes 0 no.

Councilmember Harper likes the supporting document verbiage and would like to revisit at the next meeting.

### 10. New Business

- a. 1645 Ordinance Inland Franchise Agreement 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Colleda Monick HLA 2023-012**

Inland has been providing the Franchise for over 20 years.

Councilmember Ratliff asked if this was a boiler plate agreement. Monick said yes.

Councilmember Harper asked to be recused from the vote as he is an agent of Inland.

It was explained that this is the first reading and there needs to be two. So, this Franchise Agreement will be voted on at the July 10, 2023, Council Meeting.

- b. Resolution of the City of Cle Elum, Washington Adopting a Six Year Transportation Improvement Program, From 2024 to 2029**

MOTION: Councilmember Harper made a motion to adopt the 6-year transportation as amended; seconded by Councilmember Lundh.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 yes 0 no.

- c. 2023-017 Resolution Providing for the Disposal of Certain Inventory Items: Public Works Equipment/Tools see Exhibit A**

City Administrator Omans stated that these items on the surplus list are no longer working.

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MOTION: Councilmember Lundh made a motion to approve Resolutions 2023-017 & 2023-018 Surplus items; seconded by Councilmember Harper.

MOTION CARRIED: 5 yes 0 no.

**d. 2023-018 Resolution Providing for the Disposal of Certain Inventory Items: City Hall**

See above.

**e. Mayor Pro Tem Discussion**

Councilmember Harper is concerned when it nears time for elections, we could have a lapse with the Mayor Pro Tem position. Harper would like to see a continuity of service.

Discussion was had to have this discussion closer to election time.

**11. Committee Reports**

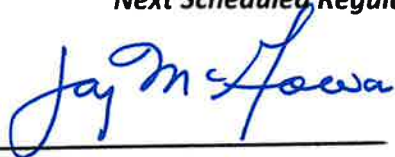
Councilmember Ratliff stated that the Utility Committee has been meeting regarding sewer rates and how it could possibly affect families and businesses. Ratliff would like to see the City of Cle Elum stay as a family and business friendly town.

More discussion will happen when they have all the information available.

**12. Adjournment by Motion**

MOTION: Councilmember Glondo made a motion to adjourn @ 7:57 p.m.

***Next Scheduled Regular Council Meeting: Monday, July 10, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.***



Mayor McGowan



Clerk Debbie Lee