

**CITY OF WEST RICHLAND
 REMOTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
 TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022**

1. **Call to Order** – Mayor Gerry called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call** –

Present:

Mayor Brent Gerry	City Attorney Bronson Brown
Mayor Pro Tem Fred Brink	Finance Director Erin Gwinn
Councilmember Richard Bloom	Police Captain Thomas Grego
Councilmember David Fetto	Community Dev. Director Eric Mendenhall
Councilmember May Hays	Associate Planner Elisha Ransom
Councilmember Kate Moran (6:03pm)	Public Works Director Roscoe Slade
Councilmember John Smart	HR Manager Selena Smathers
Councilmember Ken Stoker	City Clerk Stephanie Haug

3. **Pledge of Allegiance** –

Councilmember Richard Bloom led the council, staff, and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Approval of Agenda** –

Mayor Gerry requested to add an executive session, pursuant to RCW 42.30110 1c -to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease. Mayor Pro Tem Brink moved to approve the agenda with the addition. It was seconded by Councilmember Bloom. Council unanimously approved the agenda as amended.

5. **Presentations**- David Reeploeg, Executive Director of Hanford Communities, presented information about the Hanford site, and the 2021 Annual Report.

6. **Consent Agenda** – Mayor Gerry read the consent agenda titles for consideration.

a. Payment of Bills

Description	Check Number(s)	Amount
Accounts Payable Checks	70919-71126	\$1,415,555.78
Accounts Payable Voids	70708	(\$5,308.75)
Manual Payroll	16749-16752	\$7,557.72
Electronic Wire Payments	APPKT01449,1471,1502,1503,1506,1512,1519,1523,1531,1532,1533,1537,1539,1540,1544	\$416,622.75
Direct Deposit		\$310,059.27
LGIP, Interfund Loan/Transfers, Merchant & Bank Fees		\$433,139.72
Total		\$2,577,626.49

- b. Approve Minutes - Regular Meeting on May 3, 2022
- c. Motion to Award Inter-Tie Booster Pump Station HVAC Project
- d. Motion to Award Well #2 Well Drilling & Decommissioning Project
- e. Motion to Amend JUB on-call engineering services contract
- f. Motion to Amend CERB Reimbursement Agreement with Benton REA
- g. Motion Execute Excess Material Agreement with Benton REA
- h. Motion authorizing the Mayor to execute Professional Services Contract with Evergreen Storm H2O for Non-Vegetated Biofiltration Swale Research Study.
- i. **RES. 29-22** - Setting Public Hearing Date for Six-Year 2023-2028 TIP

RESOLUTION NO. 29-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO CONSIDER ADOPTING THE CITY'S 2023-2028 SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

j. RES. 30-22 - Resolution to set the public hearing for VACA-005-2022

RESOLUTION NO. 30-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO CONSIDER A UTILITY EASEMENT VACATION ON WILLAMETTE HEIGHTS SECTION 6, LOT 210, PARCEL NUMBER 1-0698-402-0210-001.

k. RES. 31-22 – Amending the 2021-2022 Salary Schedule

RESOLUTION NO. 31-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE SALARY SCHEDULE FOR THE 2021-2022 BIENNIUM

Councilmember Bloom moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Fetto seconded the motion. Council unanimously approved the consent agenda.

7. Citizen Public Comments – There were no comments.

8. Ordinances, Resolutions, Motions and Public Hearings-

a. ORD. 08-22 - Amending WRMC 17.54.050.1-Residential Site Development Standards Table

Associate Planner Elisha Ransom presented a staff report for the proposed adoption of Ordinance 08-22, which would amend the West Richland Municipal Code Residential Site Development Standards Table by adding a row for lot width at street frontage for townhouses and rowhouses, designating the minimum lot width at street frontage would be 22.5 feet, adding a row for front yard setbacks for townhouses and rowhouses, designating that the minimum front yard setback would be 15 feet for the main structure and 20 feet for the garage, and adding a note stating that the maximum lot coverage would not apply to townhouses and rowhouses.

ORDINANCE NO. 08-22

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE WEST RICHLAND MUNICIPAL CODE, TO MODIFY THE RESIDENTIAL SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOUND IN TABLE 17.54.050.1 FOR TOWNHOUSES AND ROWHOUSES IN THE RM-6 ZONE, AND ADD A NOTE TO THAT TABLE CONCERNING LOT COVERAGE FOR TOWNHOUSES AND ROWHOUSES IN THE RM-6 ZONE;

The applicant, Christy Batayola spoke in favor of passing the ordinance, as it will make things clearer for townhouse/rowhouse development and doesn't increase the density.

Councilmember Moran moved to approve Ordinance 08-22, Councilmember Fetto seconded the motion. After a brief discussion, Council voted Brink, Fetto, Hays, Moran Smart and Stoker – Yay, and Bloom – Nay to approve Ordinance 08-22.

b. ORD. 09-22 – Amending the 2021/2022 Biennial Budget

Finance Director Erin Gwinn presented a staff report for the proposed adoption of Ordinance 09-22, which would amend the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget to to change the use of ARPA funding and the funding source for the Well #3 project

ORDINANCE NO. 07-22

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST RICHLAND, WASHINGTON AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

Councilmember Bloom moved to approve Ordinance 07-22, Councilmember Smart seconded the motion. After a brief discussion, Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance 07-22.

Mayor Pro Tem Brink moved to approve Ordinance 09-22, Councilmember Stoker seconded the motion. After a brief discussion, Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance 09-22.

9. Unfinished Business –

- a. Collins Road Engineering Analysis- Public Works Director Roscoe Slade presented the results of the Collins Road Engineering Analysis to Council. Council discussed the proposed changes to the roadway and speed limit.

10. New Business –

- a. **Hanford Tours for Elected Officials-** Mayor Gerry inquired if any members of the Council were interested in participating in a Hanford tour, and requested that interested councilmembers should contact Stephanie to be added to the list.

11. Citizen Public Comments – There were no public comments.

12. Announcements, Reports & Comments

a. Staff Reports

Community Development Director Mendenhall reported that the Charrette for the Lewis & Clark Planning effort was a success. Attendees included the Planning Commission and some Councilmembers. He received good feedback for the meetings.

Public Works Director Slade reported that he learned at the TAC meeting the BFCOG had received additional funds, so the City applied for a pathway project to design the pathway from Belmont to Van Giesen. He also stated that the Gateway Park bathrooms are currently closed due to smoke damage from someone starting a fire in them.

City Clerk Haug reported that the first Wednesday in West Community Market on May 11th was a success and invited everyone to attend the next one, which will be May 25th.

Police Captain Grego reminded everyone that the Chief's retirement ceremony will occur on Wednesday, May 18th at 3:30pm in the Noski Community Room.

b. Council Reports

Councilmember Bloom reported that BFT will be offering free fares for six months to those under 18 starting in June with a bus pass. He also reported that the sales tax discussion was postponed indefinitely as they've requested an Attorney General's opinion.

Councilmember Moran asked Roscoe if the Gateway bathrooms had a sign on them stating why they were closed. She re-capped meetings she had attended and plans to attend.

Councilmember Hays gave kudos to Stephanie and Jaclyn for their work on the Market. She was able to stop by and saw the full parking lot.

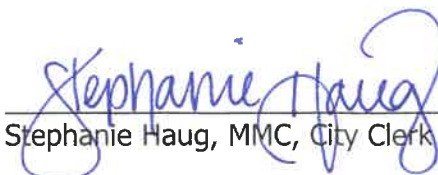
Mayor Gerry reminded Council of the special meeting scheduled for Monday, May 23rd to swear in Captain Grego as the new Chief of Police, and that the City Council's next meeting will be back in person as a hybrid meeting.

- 13. Executive Session –** The City Council adjourned to an Executive Session for 15 minutes at approximately 8:17p.m., pursuant to RCW 42.30.110c, the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease.

14. Meeting Conclusion- The meeting concluded at 8:30p.m.



Brent Gerry, Mayor



Stephanie Haug, MMC, City Clerk