

City of Gold Bar

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107 – 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 21, 2022

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Yarbrough called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held in a hybrid format, by Zoom and in person. Present were Councilmembers Lie, Martin, Russell, and Sears. Also present was Public Works Director Norris, Office Manager Beaston, Chief Hess, and Clerk Stowe.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve the agenda as presented and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Yarbrough talked about the state and federal designations of Juneteenth as a holiday. He made the administrative choice to close City Hall Monday, and a resolution is on the agenda related to the holiday. He and staff are working on a \$10,000 grant application for park improvements.

STAFF REPORT

Chief Hess reviewed his report and talked about suspicious activities, traffic, robberies, felony arrests, the resolution of a junk yard issue, and spoke with Councilmember Russell regarding ride-along options. There was an issue at the City Hall and the suspects were identified and criminal charges are being pursued.

Director Norris talked about the installation of water at the dog park, the Housing Action Plan's upcoming public involvement and the need for volunteers for that, and signage in the parks regarding motorized vehicles.

Office Manager Beaston said it's the time of year for more dog activities and complaints.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Sears talked about Pride and Juneteenth events.

Councilmember Lie asked about Snohomish County Tomorrow rate changes and programs for youth.

Councilmember Martin attended the meeting on economic development.

Councilmember Russell talked about programs for youth, housing, and rental issues.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - none

PUBLIC HEARING

Clerk Stowe opened the public hearing at 7:17 pm and reviewed the requirements for the hearing. No Councilmember had any ex parte contacts, breaches of appearance of fairness, or any conflict of interest that would require them to be recused from the hearing.

The hearing was held to allow public comments that were missed during the previous public hearing.

Resident Joe Beavers had comments on the good work by the ad hoc committee, septic system requirements, lot size requirements, and drainage. Mr. Beavers' comments were missed during the previous Hearing due to technical issues with Zoom.

Director Norris presented the comments from Snohomish County Realtors that was sent by email to Councilmembers and not presented at the previous Hearing. The comments related to wording of code changes. Director Norris responded that the proposed wording came from Municipal Research Services Center and codes from other cities and was reviewed by the Ad Hoc committee.

Clerk Stowe said three changes had been made to the draft Ordinance since the previous meeting and reviewed those changes.

Clerk Stowe introduced Ordinance No. 757 amending zoning and licensing codes for a second reading and action. Councilmember Sears moved to approve Ordinance No. 757 as amended and with a second by Councilmember Lie, the motion carried.

With no request to continue the hearing, Clerk Stowe asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Sears moved to adjourn the public hearing and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried. The hearing was adjourned, and the regular Council meeting returned to at 7:28 pm.

CONTINUED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

Snohomish County Sheriff's Interlocal. Clerk Stowe presented the draft Sheriff Interlocal and reviewed the reasons for the new contract and the changes. Councilmember Sears moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into the Sheriff Interlocal and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

TIB Crack Seal Grant. The Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) approached Director Norris offering a grant to seal cracks in streets. City staff measured cracks in all the roads and sent that information to TIB who then offered a grant for \$41,000. The City's matching portion will be \$2,203, which is within the City's budget. Councilmember Russell moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into this grant and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried.

Resolution No. 22-07 Amending the Personnel Manual. This resolution amends the Personnel Manual relating to state and federal holidays. Clerk Stowe pointed out a typographical error. Councilmember Sears moved to pass Resolution No. 22-07 as amended and correcting the typographical error and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Russell said the City is making great progressive steps forward. Councilmembers Sears and Martin agreed.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Councilmember Sears to approve the June 7th, 2022 minutes as presented and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve checks numbering 36107 – 36135 with \$25,423.42 for claims and \$1,200.00 for payroll and payroll taxes, for a total of \$26,623.42 and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Martin moved to adjourn the meeting and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.



Steve Yarbrough, Mayor



Lisa Stowe, Clerk

